

Ludwig van Beethoven: Complete String Trios

Beethoven's trios for string instruments represent the culmination of a genre which was cultivated by both Mozart and Haydn, as well as the younger Franz Schubert. Beethoven's genius in handling the possibilities and limitations of the string trio is nowhere more clearly revealed than in his great c minor trio, the third work of op. 9, which parallels the third piano trio from op. 1 (in the same key) as a composition of original genius, and constitutes the young composer's declaration of independence from the tonal language of his mentors, Mozart and Haydn. The revolutionary spirit of these great works is finely captured in monumental performances by Canada's brilliant young ensemble, the Adaskin String Trio.

CD 1

String Trio in c minor, op. 9/iii

- 1 Allegro con spirito
- 2 Adagio Pr con espressione
- 3 Scherzo: Allegro molto e vivace
- 4 Finale: esto

Serenade in D major, op. 8

- 5 Marcia: Allegro
- 6 Adagio
- 7 Menuetto e Trio
- 8 Adagio; Scherzo; Adagio; Scherzo; Adagio
- 9 Allegretto alla Polacca

Thema con variazioni

- 10 Andante quasi Allegretto
- 11 Var. I
- 12 Var. II
- 13 Var. III
- 14 Var. IV
- 15 Var. V (Allegro)
- 16 Tempo I
- 17 Marcia: Allegro

String Trio in G major, op. 9/i

- 18 Adagio; Allegro con brio
- 19 Adagio, ma non tanto, e cantabile
- 20 Scherzo: Allegro; (& Trios I & II)
- 21 Presto

Features:

- Complete music for string trio—greatest music ever written for the medium
- Performed by North America's leading specialist ensemble in the string trio repertoire
- Recorded in beautiful warm church acoustics
- Extensive booklet notes

Target Markets:

Worldwide major metro markets, culturally-oriented cities & college towns

Configuration: 2CD set

Available: Now

Recorded: Jan/Sep 2001

Booklet: 24-page Comprehensive program notes by Robert Mealy

Reviews: ARG, Early Music America. Advertising and editorial planned for Fanfare, International Record Review and other major classical music publications

CD 2

String trio in E-flat, op. 3

- 1 Allegro con brio
- 2 Andante
- 3 Menuetto e Trio
- 4 Adagio
- 5 Menuetto e Trio
- 6 Finale: Allegro
- 7 Duo for Viola and cello in E-flat, WoO 32

String Trio in D major, op. 9/ii

- 8 Allegretto
- 9 Andante quasi Allegretto
- 10 Menuetto: Allegro
- 11 Rondo: Allegro


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The Adaskin String Trio

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