



Johann Sebastian Bach: Weihnachts-Oratorium (Christmas Oratorio), BWV 248

The celebrated 1998 live performance of Bach's greatest Christmas work, recorded at Boston University's Marsh Chapel as part of a successful Bach Festival. With a choir of twenty select voices and an international cast of vocal soloists including Dutch baritone Max van Egmond, in his only recording of Bach's great work, The Boston Bach Ensemble includes leading period instrument specialists from America, Europe and Australia. Julian Wachner, now based in Montreal, is famous both as conductor and composer. Peter Watchorn, who plays organ continuo is artistic director of the ensemble and brings to the performance many years of experience and expertise.



Julian Wachner
Conductor



Peter Watchorn
Organ/Artistic Direction

CD 1

Part One:

For Christmas Day

Part Two:

For the Second Day of Christmas

Part Three:

For the Third Day of Christmas

CD 2

Part Four:

For New Year's Day

Part Five:

For Sunday after New Year

Part Six:

For the Feast of Epiphany

Features:

- Complete live recording made in spacious acoustics of Boston University's Marsh Chapel by Joel Gordon, Musica Omnia's chief engineer.
- Performed by small 20 voice choir and period instrument orchestra directed by distinguished conductor, Julian Wachner and Bach specialist, Peter Watchorn.
- Extensive booklet essay by Peter Watchorn, as well as full German text and English translation
- Only available recording of this work that includes Max van Egmond, internationally renowned Bach soloist.

Target Markets:

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

Configuration: 2CD set

Available: Now

Recorded: November 1998

Booklet: 36 Page

Reviews: Luister (Holland), Dutch Early Music Review, Early Music America, International Record Review, Gramophone, Early Music (U.K.), BBC Music Magazine.


Artists:

Anne Harley (*soprano*)

Elizabeth Anker (*alto*)

Robert Pitcher, Thomas Gregg (*tenors*)

Max van Egmond (*baritone*)

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