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Tchaikovsky has long maintained his position as among the most popular of all composers, his unequalled gift for melody and colourful orchestration given added depth through a rich Russian soulfulness. The *Second Piano Concerto* has always lived under the shadow of the famous *First* but, played here in the composer's original version, is full of life-enhancing character and emotion. Both this and the *Concert Fantasia* also contain beautiful chamber-music sections allowing unique interaction between soloist and orchestra.

Pyotr Il'yich
TCHAIKOVSKY
 (1840-1893)

Piano Concerto No. 2 in G major, Op. 44 **42:46**

① **Allegro brillante** **20:38**

② **Andante non troppo** **14:41**

③ **Allegro con fuoco** **7:27**

Concert Fantasia in G major, Op. 56 **29:35**

④ **Quasi Rondo: Andante mosso** **15:57**

⑤ **Contrastes: Andante cantabile – Molto vivace** **13:38**

Eldar Nebolsin, Piano
New Zealand Symphony Orchestra
Michael Stern

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