

RUED LANGGAARD (1893-1952) was an odd, lonely figure in Danish music. The three works on this SACD are among his most effective and visionary orchestral works. They are apocalyptic works with a religious message, and each involves a musical contrast between a chaotic, doomed world and a celestial world of beauty and light. *The Music of the Spheres*, with its evocative, striking timbres, is Langgaard's most original and forward-pointing effort, and a major work in Scandinavian music.

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| [1]-[15] | SFÆRERNES MUSIK (1916-1918) BVN 128
(The Music of the Spheres)
<i>For soprano solo, chorus, orchestra and distant orchestra</i>
<i>Live recording</i> | 40:06 |
| [16]-[19] | ENDENS TID (1921-23/1939-40/1943) BVN 243
(The Time of the End)
<i>For mezzo-soprano, tenor, baritone, chorus and orchestra</i> | 24:13 |
| [20] | FRA DYBET (1950/52) BVN 414
(From the Abyss)
<i>For chorus and orchestra</i> | 7:33 |

Total 71:53

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Music of the Spheres

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Hetna Regitze Bruun, mezzo-soprano
Peter Lodahl, tenor
Johan Reuter, baritone

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