



ANTONIO MARIA MONTANARI (1676-1737) ~ CONCERTO GROSSO IN A MAJOR





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Talent oozed from the stage.“*  
Hugo Shirley, The Daily Telegraph



### EUROPEAN UNION BAROQUE ORCHESTRA ~ CULTURAL AMBASSADOR FOR THE EUROPEAN UNION

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## CORELLI'S LEGACY

The lionising of Arcangelo Corelli „il Bolognese“ during his lifetime no doubt contributed to the revival of Rome as the European capital of culture at the beginning of the eighteenth century. Key elements in the spread throughout Europe of Corelli's reputation were the continuous growth of major violin schools deriving directly or indirectly from the school of „il Bolognese“, the adherence to his aesthetic vision by composers belonging to the operatic world which was increasingly in vogue, but especially the continued commitment to popularizing his message abroad by those who had the good fortune to study personally with Corelli [or perhaps the unstoppable flight of Italian violinists abroad looking for new and more stable employment opportunities, still as timely as ever]. So listening to this programme you will come across many different European styles, from some of the most famous works of Corelli to those of lesser-known composers such as Pietro Castrucci, Giovanni Mossi, Giuseppe Valentini and Antonio Montanari; a rich mix of formal and aesthetic visions, though all refined through the same profoundly Roman „filter“. Maybe it is not true that „all roads lead to Rome“; certainly the experience of the composers featured in this programme is that everything starts from the eternal city!

Riccardo Minasi



## **RICCARDO MINASI**

born in Rome 1978, has performed both as soloist and as concertmaster with Le Concert des Nations, Accademia Bizantina, Concerto Italiano, Il Giardino Armonico, Al Ayre Español, Orchestra dell'Accademia Nazionale di S.Cecilia, and Orquesta Sinfónica de Madrid. As well as the European Union Baroque Orchestra, he has conducted the Kammerakademie of Potsdam, Zurich Kammerorchester, Balthasar Neumann Ensemble, Australian Brandenburg Orchestra, L'Arpa Festante, Recreation-Grosses Orchester of Graz, Attersee-Akademie Orchestra, Ensemble Resonanz, Il Complesso Barocco and the Helsinki Baroque Orchestra. He was invited by Kent Nagano to perform as concertmaster at the Belcanto Festival in Knowlton and collaborated as historical advisor for the Montréal Symphony Orchestra in Canada. In 2010 he worked as assistant conductor, concertmaster and editor of the upcoming new critical edition of Bellini's opera *Norma* with Cecilia Bartoli and Thomas Hengelbrock. He has given master-classes at the Juilliard School of Music in New York, the Longy School of Music in Cambridge (USA), the Sibelius Academy of Helsinki, the Chinese Culture University of Taipei, the Conservatory of Sydney, the Zurich Opera House, and at the Scuola di Musica di Fiesole.







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1. I: Adagio
- II: Allegro
2. III: Grave
3. IV: Vivace

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