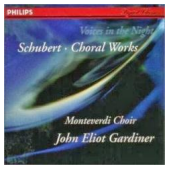
Schubert: Voices in the Night - Choral Works (1998)



01. An die Sonne, D. 439 02. Gondelfahrer, D. 809 03. Nachtelle, D. 892 04. Standchen, D. 920 05. Des Tages Weihe, D. 763 06. Der 23 Psalm, D. 706 07. Gott in der Natur, D. 757 08. Nachtgesang im Walde, D. 913 09. Sehnsucht, D. 656 10. Gesang der Geister uber den Wassern, D. 714 11. Mondenschein, D. 875 12. Gebet, D. 815 Monteverdi Choir John Eliot Gardiner - conductor

Though I have not myself heard Mr. Shaw's recording I can still give my honest opinion of Gardiner's recording of these Schubert works. All of these pieces came alive in very distinct ways. Gardiner masterfully understands the path of the musical phrase and follows it very faithfully to the intent of the composer. As usual the Monteverdi Choir is perfect in unison and seamless in transition. Especially in 'Gesang der Geister' does the mellow sound of the low strings combine with the male voices for a very introspective sound. This recording is very important to have--you are unlikely to find this collection recorded very often elsewhere. --- Paul J. Vest

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