JOHN HARBISON WINTER'S TALE [1023]

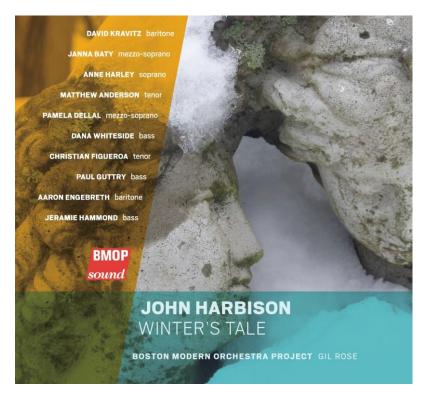
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BMOP/sound is proud to release its third CD of John Harbison's music, his first opera Winter's Tale. A Shakespearian drama, Winter's Tale follows a plot of jealousy, deceit, and murder between Sicilian and Bohemian royalty. Personalizing the piece, Harbison shortened the original five acts to two and introduced Dumbshows to streamline the narrative. Featured in this gripping recording are the vocal talents of David Kravitz (baritone), Janna Baty (mezzo-soprano), Anne Harley (soprano), Matthew Anderson (tenor), Pamela Dellal (mezzo-soprano), Dana Whiteside (bass), Christian Figueroa (tenor), Paul Guttry (bass), Aaron Engebreth (baritone), and Jeramie Hammond (bass).



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"Thanks to the benefits of recording and postproduction, Gil Rose keeps his forces here well balanced. Baritone David Kravitz as King Leontes bears the brunt of the show's musical and dramatic demands and remains the standout in a fine, fluid cast."

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