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String Quartets Nos 1 & 3

The Heath Quartet

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Potency and bravura.

The Heath Quartet makes its harmonia mundi début with this contrasting programme of Tchaikovsky's String Quartets: his Quartet No. 1 (famed for its plaintive *Andante cantabile*) and the tempestuous No. 3 (dedicated to the memory of Ferdinand Laub). "The music's potency and bravura were conveyed with thrilling conviction." (THE GUARDIAN)

Artists

Composers

- The Heath Quartet
- Piotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

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PIOTR ILYICH TCHAIKOVSKY [1840-1893]

String Quartet No. 1 in D major, Op. 11

- I. *Moderato e semplice* (11'09)
- II. *Andante cantabile* (6'34)
- III. Scherzo. *Allegro non tanto e con fuoco* (3'58)
- IV. Finale. *Allegro giusto* (9'23)

String Quartet No. 3 in E-flat minor, Op. 30

- I. *Andante sostenuto - Allegro moderato* (15'24)
- II. *Allegretto vivo e scherzando* (3'56)
- III. *Andante funebre e doloroso, ma con moto* (9'54)
- IV. Finale. *Allegro non troppo e risoluto* (6'03)