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Anthology

The Mystery of Christmas

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The story of Christ's birth has prompted generations of composers to expressions of joy and mystical reflection. Our selection of carols for this album unveils a whole treasure chest of offerings, some familiar, some less so, all giving voice to various elements of the nativity story. With the generous support of the Pureland Foundation we focus both on the miraculous Incarnation and the central role of the Virgin Mary. O Magnum Mysterium.
Suzi Digby OBE

Artists

- ORA Singers – Suzi Digby
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Conductor

Composers

- William Byrd
- Adrian Peacock
- Roderick Williams
- Judith Weir
- Thomas Tallis
- Anonymous
- Allain Richard
- James MacMillan
- John Rutter
- Jamie W. Hall
- Ben Rowarth
- Thomas Hyde
- Fredrik Sixten
- Steven Sametz
- Morten Lauridsen

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WILLIAM BYRD [1543-1623]

· **O magnum mysterium** (2'43)

ADRIAN PEACOCK [1962-]

· **Venite, Gaudete!** (2'23)

RODERICK WILLIAMS [1965-]

· **O Adonai, et Dux domus Israel** (7'08)

JUDITH WEIR

· **Drop down, ye heavens, from above** (1'40)

THOMAS TALLIS [c.1505-1585]

· **Videte miraculum** (9'55)

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· **Coventry Carol (Medieval)** (2'42)

ALLAIN RICHARD

· **Coventry Carol** (3'52)

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· **Nova, nova** (1'57)

JAMES MACMILLAN [1959-]

· **Nova! Nova! Ave fit ex Eva** (5'39)

JOHN RUTTER

· **Suzi's Carol** (5'00)

JAMIE W. HALL [1983-]

· **As I lay upon a night** (3'13)

ANONYMOUS

· **There is no rose (Medieval)** (3'22)

BEN ROWARTH [1992-]

· **There is no rose** (4'41)

THOMAS HYDE [1978-]

· **Sweet was the song** (2'02)

ANONYMOUS

· **Now may we singen** (4'25)

· **Now may we singen (Medieval)** (3'29)

FREDRIK SIXTEN [1962-]

· **Mary's Lullaby (Silent Night)** (4'01)

STEVEN SAMETZ [1954-]

· **Gaudete** (2'15)

MORTEN LAURIDSEN

· **O magnum mysterium (1994)** (6'00)