









I resided in Paris for 2 years, 1967 to 1969. Upon arrival, I acquired an FM Radio tuner and soon found *France Musique*. The very first music that greeted me was a magnificent live recital by **Devy Erlih**. What a wonderful welcome! Before arriving in France I already knew and admired Erlih's violin playing from an LP that I had of sonatas by Corelli

Born in Paris on November 5, 1928 to a musical family, Moldovan Jewish immigrants, young Devy was soon recognized as an outstanding talented prodigy. The family made it through the WW II German Occupation and after the war Erlih continued his studies. He won the coveted Paris conservatoire *Premier Prix* and his career as violin soloist began.

In 1955 Erlih won the International Long-Thibaud competition and subsequently toured throughout Europe, America and Japan.

In addition to his vast standard classical repertoire, he became a champion of contemporary composers including Bartok, Jolivet, Dutilleux, Sauguet, Maderna, Ropartz, Tomasi, LeJet, Jacque Charpentier, Denisov, Julien Falk, Paul Le Flem, Loucheur. Many composers wrote concertos or sonatas for him.

Erlih was also a noted teacher and was on staff at the Paris Conservatoire. In 2010 he was the president of the Jury in the Long Thibaud competition.

Devy Erlih died in Paris in a road accident on February 7, 2012.

He combined the raw gipsy music styles of his Balkan heritage with the refined elegance of the French violin school and his recordings are highly sought after by collectors.

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## J.S.BACH - - CD1 - -

## Sonata for solo violin in G minor, BWV 1001 16:09 1. I. Adagio 3:40 2. II. Fuga 5:35 3. III. Siciliano 3:10 4. IV. Presto 3:35

5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10.	artita for solo I. Allemande II. Double III. Courante IV. Double V. Sarabande VI. Double VII. Bourrée VIII. Double	violin No.	1 in B minor,	BWV 1002	2 26:26 5:09 2:05 3:20 3:23 4:00 3:12 2:34 2:34
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P 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	Artita for solo I. Allemande II. Courante III. Sarabande IV. Gigue V. Chaconne	violin No.	2 in D minor,	BWV 100	4 27:28 3:18 2:19 3:33 4:00 14:13
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10. 11. 12. 13.	artita for solo I. Preludio II. Loure III. Gavotte en R IV. Menuets I & V. Bourrée VI. Gigue	ondeau II	3 in E major,		3:21 4:21 2:48 3:23 1:24 1:48

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