



Johann Sebastian Bach 1685–1750

Compact Disc 1

Die Kunst der Fuge BWV1080

1	Contrapunctus 1 ¹	4'03
2	Contrapunctus 2 ¹	2'50
3	Contrapunctus 3 ¹	4'19
4	Contrapunctus 4 ¹	5'02
5	Contrapunctus 5 ¹	4'52
6	Contrapunctus 6 a 4 in Stylo Francese ²	5'10
7	Contrapunctus 7 a 4 per Augment[ationem] et Diminut[ionem] ¹	4'50
8	Contrapunctus 8 a 3 ¹	6'31
9	Contrapunctus 9 a 4 alla Duodecima	3'24
10	Contrapunctus 10 a 4 alla Decima ¹	5'50
11	Contrapunctus 11 a 4 ¹	7'53

Compact Disc 2

1	Contrapunctus inversus 12 á 4 [<i>rectus</i>] ²	3'55
2	Contrapunctus inversus 12 á 4 [<i>inversus</i>] ³	3'42
3	Contrapunctus inversus a 3 [<i>rectus</i>] ¹	2'33
4	Contrapunctus [<i>inversus</i>] a 3 [<i>inversus</i>] ¹	2'38
5	Cnon alla Ottava ¹	2'44
6	Canon alla Decima Contrapunto alla Terza ²	7'25
7	Canon alla Duodecima in Contrapunto alla Quinta ²	2'21
8	Canon per Augmentationem in Contrario Motu ¹	4'51

Einige canonische Veränderungen über das Weynacht-Lied

Canonic Variations on the Christmas Song

Vom Himmel hoch da komm' ich her

vor die Orgel mit 2 Clavieren und dem Pedal BWV769/769a⁴

9 Variatio 1 in Canone all'Ottava	2'01
10 Variatio 2 Alio Modo in Canone alla Quinta	1'52
11 Variatio 3 Canone alla Settima	3'35
12 Variatio 4 per augmentationem in Canone all'ottava	3'27
13 Variatio 5. L'altra Sorte del' Canone all' rovercio: alla Sesta – alla Terza – alla Seconda – alla Nona	3'46

Compact Disc 3

64'21

Musikalisches Opfer BWV1079

1 Ricercar [à 3] ¹	6'30
2 Canon perpetuus super Thema Regium ¹	1'33
3 Ricercar à 6 ¹	8'41
4 Canon à 2 <i>Quaerendo invenietis</i> ¹	2'09
5 Canon à 4 ^{2/3}	3'17

Sonata sopr'il Soggetto Reale à Traversa, Violino e Continuo¹

6 I. Largo	6'19
7 II. Allegro	5'56
8 III. Andante	3'05
9 IV. Allegro	3'11
10 Canon perpetuus	1'45

Canones diversi super Thema Regium

Regis Iussu Canticum Et Reliqua Canonica Arte Resoluta

11 Canon 1 a 2 ³	1'22
12 Canon 2 a 2 Violin: in Unisono 2 vl./cello/harpsichord ¹	0'57
13 Canon 3 a 2 per Motum contrarium ¹	1'05
14 Canon 4 a 2 per Augmentationem, contrariu Motu ² <i>Notulis crescentibus crescat Fortuna Regis</i>	1'31
15 Canon 5 a 2 [per Tonos] – <i>Ascendenteque Modulatione</i> ¹ <i>ascendat Gloria Regis</i>	4'26
16 Fuga canonica in Epidiapente vl./ ¹	2'18
17 Fuga a 3 soggetti (fragment) BWV1080/19 ¹	9'28

Matteo Messori harpsichords, organ, chapel master

¹Barthélémy Formentelli harpsichord, after Taskin

²Jürgen Ammer 16' harpsichord, after the so called 'Bach-Cembalo'
(attributed to the workshop of Harraß in Breitenbach, Thuringia)

³Jürgen Ammer harpsichord, after the Harraß harpsichord preserved in Sondershausen

⁴Heinrich Gottfried Trost orn, 1724-30 in the Town Church of Waltershausen

Cappella Augustana

Luigi Mario Lupo *transverse flute*

Martin Wenner after Carla Palanca, Torino, first half of the 18th century

Luca Giardini *violin*

Francesco Brosa, Milano, first half of the 18th century

Marco Testori *cello*

Pechino, 2007, after Matteo Gofriller

The second harpsichord and second violin (*Canon à 4* and *Canon a 2. Violin: in Unisono*) are played by Tommaso Teresi and Rudi Cagliani (Giovanni Giorgio Taningard, Roma, 1739)

Matteo Messori was born in Bologna where he studied organ and counterpoint, graduating *cum laude*. He studied the harpsichord with the harpsichordist, organist, conductor and singer Sergio Vartolo at the Conservatories of Mantua and Venice, graduating again *cum laude*. In addition, he studied musicology at the university of his native city, Bologna.

He is active as both a harpsichord and organ soloist and conductor in Europe and the USA, and also works with various chamber ensembles.

As a means of exploring the musical and cultural relationship between the Italian peninsula and the northern musical world in the 16th to 18th centuries, Messori founded the ensemble Cappella Augustana, which he conducts in the first complete recording of Heinrich Schütz's works for Brilliant Classics (Vols. 1–4, 19 CDs). He has recorded the third part of the *Clavier-Übung* by Johann Sebastian Bach on three historic central-German organs, again for Brilliant Classics.

He also directed, this time for the Swedish label Mysica Rediviva, the first tribute in sound wholly dedicated to the sacred music of Vincenzo Albrici (1631–1690/96), the *Kapellmeister* in Dresden and organist at the Thomaskirche in Leipzig.

He regularly conducts orchestras and ensembles in Europe and has published in the *Bach-Jahrbuch* 2010 a study of the 16' harpsichord with pedal harpsichord built by Zacharias Hildebrandt for the *Collegium Musicum* in Leipzig.

He teaches at the Conservatory of Bergamo.

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