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New CD of Zanetto on Elysium Recordings

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A new CD of *Zanetto* on **Elysium Recordings** is now available.

Mascagni: *Zanetto*

L'amico Fritz — Intermezzo

Cavalleria rusticana — Intermezzo

Peter Tiboris, *conductor*

Eilana Lappalainen, *Soprano* (Sylvia)

Jennifer Larmore, *Mezzo-Soprano* (*Zanetto*)

Bohuslav Martinů Philharmonic

Elysium, conductor Peter Tiboris and the Bohuslav Martinů Philharmonic orchestra had already brought to us a recording of *Silvano* about ten years ago.

After an initial listening, I find the performance quite good, especially Jennifer Larmore's *Zanetto*. The sound quality is excellent, certainly superior to that of previous recordings of the piece. This allows you to fully enjoy the light and refined orchestration.

The CD comes with a few bonuses:

- An orchestral version of the prelude (which was written for an a cappella chorus), which we had already heard on the Kicco recording with Denia Mazzola
- The intermezzo from *L'amico Fritz*
- The intermezzo from *Cavalleria rusticana*

The well-packaged CD comes with a full libretto, biographies, and an essay by John W. Barker, "Mascagni Moods."