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The Nightingale **Christina Johnston**



‘Blessing’

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Christina Johnston is said by many to be one of a kind in the music world. Despite her young age she is already making a name for herself in the classical sphere with a vocal range that most could only dream of. She has toured in Europe, Asia and South America and counts Presidents and State Officials amongst her biggest fans.

The stunning debut album **‘Blessing’** consists of a mix of highly popular opera arias plus some rarities that were totally suited to her high soprano voice. These include selections by Mozart, Rachmaninov, Puccini, Bellini, Dvorak, Gounod, Handel, Grieg, Johann Strauss, Canteloube and the notoriously difficult arias ‘Der Hölle Rache’ from *The Magic Flute* and ‘Bell Song’ from *Lakmé* by Delibes. On the album, Christina displays her gift for languages by singing in no fewer than nine, including English, German, Latin, Russian, French, Italian, Czech, Norwegian and the French dialect Occitan.

“Christina is one of the few coloraturas that could sing the challenging ‘Symphony of the Danube’”
– Jan Žemla, Director of Janáček Philharmonic Orchestra

At just age 18, Christina was accepted with scholarship for The Guildhall School of Music and Drama. During her time there she performed in numerous productions and concerts ranging from Mascagni's *Cavalleria Rusticana* to Verdi's *Requiem* and Bernstein's *Candide*. She has participated in master classes with such renowned opera singers as Dame Kiri Te Kanawa, Renée Fleming, Emma Kirby and Yvonne Kenny, and competed in various competitions including the International Mozart Competition, the International Antoin Dvorak Competition and the National Performing Arts Competition.

Meeting her future husband, Slava Myachin, meant a move to Prague to pursue her opera career with studies at the State Opera. It also meant that she had the opportunity to sing with conductors and orchestras all over Europe as well as Asia and South America. Being that modern rarity – a high coloratura – meant Christina became very much in demand in European opera houses and concert halls. Her fresh, pure voice also meant she was in demand for both concerts of contemporary classical composers and popular concerts of film and show music.

“Christina has the best voice for Film Music in Rudolfinum Concert Hall. Her classical version of Titanic was the best I have heard!”

- Nikola Bojcev, Organiser of Film Music Prague

The album is released on a brand new label, TADLOW CLASSICS, which is a recent addition to the highly acclaimed and award-winning Tadlow Music Label run by veteran film and classical music producer and orchestral contractor James Fitzpatrick. Some 30 years ago, James formed Silva Screen Records with his business partner Reynold da Silva and went on to great success with the discovery of soprano Lesley Garrett, which in a way started the ‘classical crossover’ movement. Since the formation of Tadlow Music, James has worked on albums by some of the biggest names in this ‘crossover’ field including Katherine Jenkins, Alexander Armstrong, Dame Vera Lynn, Ricky Martin, Michael Ball, Alfie Boe and many more.

Track Listing for ‘Blessing’

1. Blessing
2. Laudate Dominum
3. Song To The Moon
4. The Nightingale
5. Je Veux Vivre
6. Caccini's Ave Maria
7. Solveig's Song
8. L'Air des Clochettes
9. Quando me'n vo
10. Lascia Ch'io Pianga
11. Frühlingsstimmen
12. Vocalise
13. Der Holle Rachte Kocht
14. O Quante Volte
15. Bailero
16. Fallen Soldier

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The Miracle of the Voice UK Tour



23 rd September	St Peter's, Aldeburgh
28 th September	St Mary's, Bury St Edmonds
30 th September	St Botolph's Church, Colchester
5 th October	Wymondham Abbey, Norfolk
7 th October	Great St Mary's, Cambridge
14 th October	St Peter's Mancroft, Norwich

Points of Interest

- Christina was heard singing at Prague Castle by the President of China who then was so impressed with her voice, afterwards invited her to sing in China at the anniversary celebrations for the end of World War 2.
- The President of Czech Republic calls her an angel or Anděl in Czech.
- In Prague she is known as the 'English Princess'.
- She regularly sings for original film scores, most recently for 'Interlude In Prague'.
- She has had 3 successful solo tours in Slovakia and after the first one the Minister of Culture invited her back the next year and the year after that.
- She has sung for Prague Film Music festival for the past 4 years and has sung with the likes of renowned composers Craig Armstrong, Patrick Doyle, Elliot Goldenthal, Joe Hisaishi and many more.
- She comes from the same town as Ed Sheeran and Laura Wright – Ed's brother Matthew arranged a Christmas classical piece for her.
- She first performed at the Royal Albert Hall when she was just 11 with a dance group.
- She was a finalist for BBC Choir Girl of the year.
- She has sung for famous Czech singer Karel Gott (the Tom Jones of Europe).

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