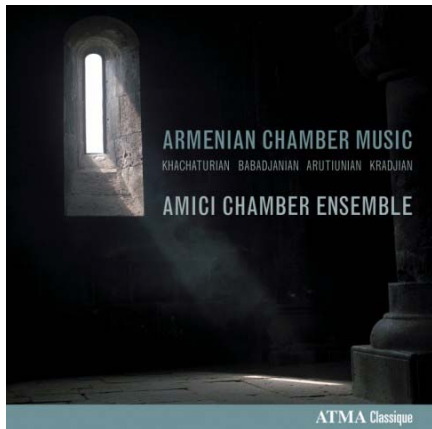


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New Release ~ February 2010 *Armenian Chamber Music*



KHACHATURIAN, BABADJANIAN, ARUTIUNIAN, GANATCHIAN, KRADJIAN

Amici Chamber Ensemble

Joaquín Valdepeñas	clarinet
David Hetherington	cello
Serouj Kradjian	piano
Benjamin Bowman	guest violin
Isabel Bayrakdarian	guest soprano
Winona Zelenka	guest cello
Roberta Janzen	guest cello
Amy Laing	guest cello

Artists: Amici Chamber Ensemble
Title: Armenian Chamber Music
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Track List:

ARNO BABADJANIAN (1921-1983)
Trio for Violin, Cello and Piano

SEROUJ KRADJIAN (1973-)
*Elegy for Restive Souls for clarinet,
violin, cello and piano*

PARSEGH GANATCHIAN (1885-1967)
*Oror, lullaby for soprano, violin,
clarinet, and cellos*
Arrangement : Serouj Kradjian

ARAM KHACHATURIAN (1903-1978)
Trio for clarinet, violin and piano

ALEXANDER ARUTIUNIAN (1920-)
Suite for Clarinet, Violin and Piano

Amici celebrates this debut ATMA CD with a concert and reception on **Sunday February 21, at 3:00 pm** in Glenn Gould Studio, Toronto.

Kradjian's *Elegy for Restive Souls* is also featured on this recording. The work was composed to commemorate those who died in the devastating earthquake of 1989. "I was a teenager in Canada when the world received news of the earthquake which caused destruction, devastation, and death. The images still linger in my thoughts more than twenty years later," says **Kradjian**.

Armenian classical music traces back its roots to the rich tradition of the country's rich tradition of folk music and the sacred choral music. Music, both vocal and instrumental, plays an important part in Armenia's artistic heritage.

Amici is composed of three of Canada's finest chamber and solo musicians: **Joaquín Valdepeñas** is principal clarinetist of the Toronto Symphony Orchestra and is active as soloist, chamber musician and conductor. **David Hetherington**, assistant principal cellist with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, teaches cello and chamber music at the Glenn Gould School. Pianist and composer **Serouj Kradjian** is hailed as a "keyboard acrobat" of "crystal virtuosity" and is increasingly recognized for his talent as a composer and arranger.

Armenian chamber music will be available from February 23, 2010
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