



Press Information:

**Eduard Franck (1817-1893):**

**String Quartet  
in F minor, Op. 49**

**Piano Quintet  
in D Major, Op. 45**

**Edinger Quartet**

Christiane Edinger, Violin  
Alexander Kortschmar, Violin  
Igor Budinsein, Viola  
Katharina Maechler, Violoncello

**James Tocco, Piano**

After the remarkable premiere recordings of the two String Quartets Op. 54 and 55, the Edinger Quartet now presents the third extant work by Eduard Franck of this genre, the F minor Quartet, Op. 49. The work is written in the tradition of Mendelssohn but embodies Eduard Franck's own individual musical language and is marked by great richness in contrasts and strong dramatic flair.

The recording of Eduard Franck's chamber music is completed by the D major Piano Quintet, op. 45. Cantabile themes are prominent in this work, later receiving a strongly modulatory treatment. Christiane Edinger, Professor in Lübeck, and the string quartet founded by her, have taken on the task of cultivating and preserving neglected repertoire. The success of this commitment is heard in the convincing interpretations of these rediscovered masterworks of chamber music, as well as in the ensemble's fruitful collaboration with the internationally renowned pianist James Tocco.

Up to now the following works, amongst others, have already appeared in the series containing works of Eduard Franck:

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| Violin Concerto in E minor, Op. 30, Symphony in A Major, Op. 47<br><i>"a convincing case for the composer." (fono forum 10/1998)</i>  | <b>audite 20.025</b> |
| Violin Concerto in D major, Op. 57, Symphony in B-flat major, Op. 52<br><i>"Above all one can sense that the performances are inspired, a fact which all the more emphatically makes a case for this new recording." (Klassik heute 3/2001)</i> | <b>audite 20.034</b> |
| String Quartets in C minor, Op. 55 and in E-flat major, Op. 54<br><i>newly released in April 2001</i>   | <b>audite 20.032</b> |

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