



The Marian Consort

MUSIC FOR THE QUEEN OF HEAVEN

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'Pitch perfect tuning and immaculate ensemble... [an] eminently listenable recital' ****

Terry Blain, BBC Music Magazine

'Deliciously outstanding'

Michael Riley, Gramophone

'Marian texts have inspired the religious settings of generations of composers, and it's refreshing to hear some of the latest in this programme of contemporary anthems sung by the enchantingly smooth ensemble of The Marian Consort under Rory McCleery... These a cappella performances are spot on in terms of intonation and crafted realisation of the texts in musical form. Nothing fanciful, just plain good taste.' *****

The Scotsman

'Dispatched with winning aplomb by this superb choir ... a glorious vocal coup-de-theatre'

The Arts Desk

'Here's another exquisitely accomplished recording from Delphian to cap a year of successes... Throughout, the mixed-voice Marian Consort sing with requisite amounts of delicacy and robustness finding both the poetry and passion in these often sublime devotional songs... There's something in all 12 pieces to catch and hold the ear, with the intimately recorded sound perfectly framing immaculate performances deftly led by Rory McCleery.'

Michael Quinn, Classical Ear

'Those of us who are interested in contemporary choral composition and who appreciate excellence in a cappella singing will find much to treasure.' 8/10

Steven Whitehead, Cross Rhythms

'This is an outstanding, memorable disc, not only in terms of the repertoire but also, and crucially, in the manner of performance... the singing of The Marian Consort is flawless throughout. Tuning, ensemble and balance are immaculate.'

John Quinn, MusicWeb International

