

CD 1 **VENIAMIN FLEISHMAN** (1913 - 1941)

Rothschild's Violin

37:07

An opera in 1 act from the story by Anton Chekhov (1860 – 1904)
completed and orchestrated by Dmitri Shostakovich

Yakov Matveievich Ivanov

(nicknamed Bronza)

Coffin maker and violinist

Jacek Janiszewski bass

Marfa Ivanova

Ivanov's wife

Elena Gabouri mezzo-soprano

Rothschild

Flautist then violinist

Andris Lapins tenor

(Uncle) Moses Ilyich Shakhes

Gravedigger

Michal Lehotsky tenor

Village musicians:

Oliver Kuusik

Alastair McCall

Kevin Matthews

Lewis James Quinn

CD 2 **DMITRI SHOSTAKOVICH** (1906 – 1975)

The Gamblers

45:37

An unfinished opera based on the play by Nikolai Gogol (1809 - 1852)
of the same name, Op.63

Ikharyov

A Gambler

Michal Lehotsky tenor

Stepan Ivanovitch Uteshitelny

Peter Danailov baritone

Shvokhnev

Roman Astakhov bass

Colonel Krugel

Andris Lapins tenor

Alexey

Servant at the inn

Jacek Janiszewski bass

Gavryushka

Ikharyov's servant

Piotr Nowacki bass

Alexei Ekkel Bass Balalaika

Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra

(leader Thelma Handy)

Vasily Petrenko