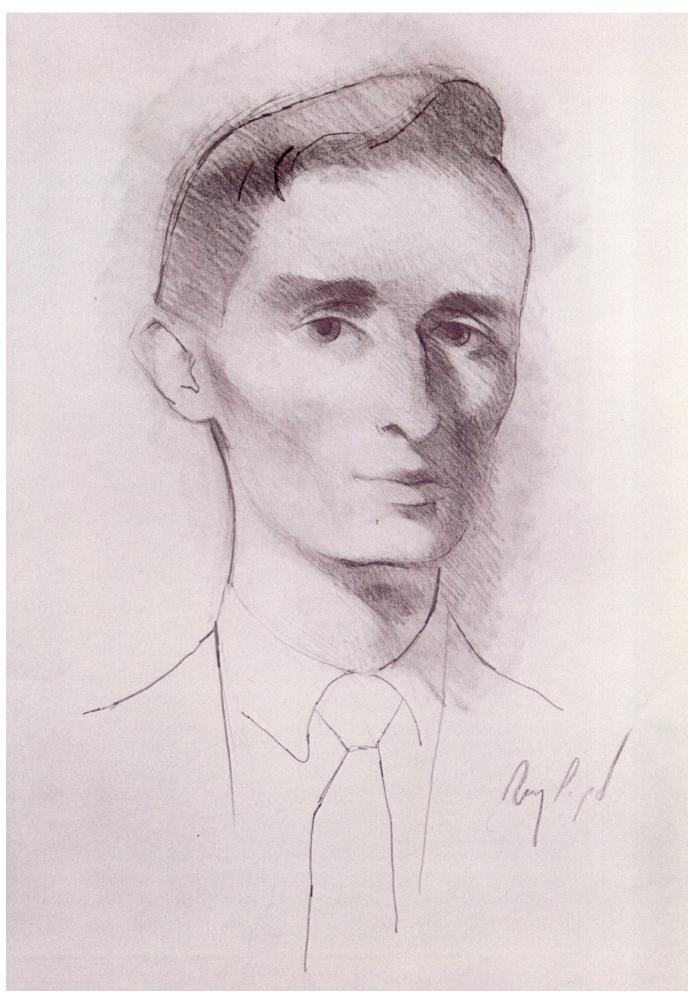


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David Watkins drawn by Manolo Ruiz Pipo (1929-1999)

While still at school, he was a member of the National Youth Orchestra and a finalist in a Daily Mirror Competition for young instrumentalists. After studying at the Royal Academy of Music, a French Government Scholarship enabled him to continue his studies in Paris. Returning to London, Solti chose him to play with the Orchestra of the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden. It was a 'Golden Age' which included performances by Callas, Sutherland, Schwarzkopf, Fonteyn and Nureyev. He then became a founder member of the new Welsh National Opera Company under the direction of James Lockhart and, after a short time with the Royal Philharmonic, joined the London Philharmonic under the batons of Boult, Solti, Haitink and Tennstedt.

Solo concerts have taken David Watkins all over the world, performing many of the compositions that have been written especially for him. He has also performed as soloist with the London Philharmonic, Danish Radio Symphony Orchestra, etc. and appeared as soloist with the London Sinfonietta at the London 'Proms' with Sir Simon Rattle conducting.

Since winning first prize in an American Competition with his composition 'Petite Suite' for Harp, he has written many pieces including the 'Concertino Pastorale,' which he played with the London Philharmonic at the Royal Festival Hall, Walter Susskind conducting.

With Princess Grace of Monaco, he devised a recital of poetry and music for the official engagement of Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer.

In 2000 he was Principal Harpist at a 'Prom' Concert given by the "World Orchestra for Peace" conducted by Gergiev. This orchestra was composed of principal musicians from the world's great orchestras.

Recent concerts have included a performance of his solo harp concerto and his new concerto for two harps with the Budapest Strings, and a solo recital attended by the widow of Zoltan Kodály.

Recently he also gave concerts and master classes in France, Germany and Italy.

"Since leaving the London Philharmonic, I have concentrated on researching original harp music from the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. It was so exciting recording the works for the CD "Concerti and Chamber Music" with the great baroque violinist, Simon Standage. Discovering early harp music of quality gives me the greatest of pleasures. The "Glory of the Harp " CD also recorded on an early instrument, includes important original harp music, and in particular, a transcription of Mozart's famous Sonata in C (dite Facile) which was played by François Petrini, a distinguished late eighteenth century harpist.

With Clive Conway, flute, we explored the considerable amount of original music for flute and harp - a delicious sounding combination. During this period, I was also busily composing. A concerto for two harps and strings - "Concerto Grosso," "Passacaglia" for solo harp (a prayer to soothe human suffering in wars and nature's disasters), and "A Welsh Landscape" which includes two famous folk melodies.

Creighton's Collection have beautifully printed my collection of arrangements and compositions and, at the same time, I was working at the Morley Library on original early harp music there.

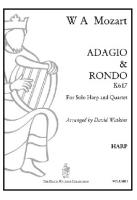
The "Eternal Dreamer" CD combines music from Romantic to Contemporary and my own compositions - sometimes a refreshing change from too much "Baroque"!

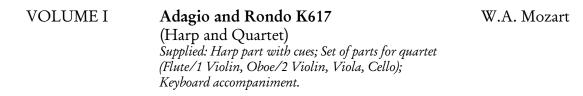
Performing with two musical "Greats", Michael Bochmann, violin, and Jane Leslie Mackenzie, soprano, has been an adventure through some of the greatest music ever written. "Sacred and Profane" explores the combination of violin and harp in all styles of music, and in "The Triumph of Time I & II", joined by Jane in a tapestry of great music. I wrote violin parts for some of the song accompaniments, including Mozart's "Als Luise", and the violin adds extra excitement and colour at the burning of the letters."

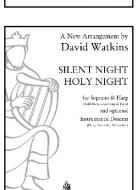
Professor David Watkins FGSM, Hon ARAM

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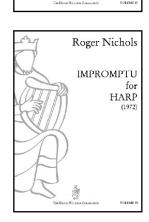
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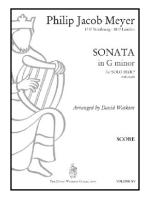
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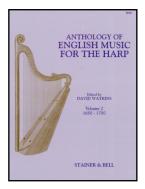
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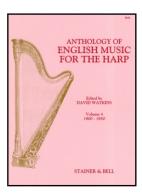
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REVIEW: Recital David Watkins (harp) Sherwell United Church, Plymouth

If there was an ideal venue for a lunchtime recital, then David Watkins's fascinating examination of Romantic harp music would certainly be up there with the best.

David, of course, has had many years of experience, not only as a performer, but also as presenter, and nowhere was this more apparent than in his impeccable timing, never falling into the trap of seeking to explain in words what music always does better in sound, and which easily causes embarrassing over-runs for the less adept.

Many artists fight shy of playing for an hour completely from memory. But the tremendous immediacy, unhampered by the noisy intrusions of page-turning or the physical barrier between player and listener, makes this such a desirable accomplishment, requiring, as it does, an intimate, rather than superficial knowledge of the score.

Couple a truly delightful programme of harp favourites and less-familiar repertoire, with David's charming and immensely modest delivery, replete with anecdotes and relevant background information along the way, and you already have all the right ingredients. Add in some of David's own compositions, always so exquisitely and totally idiomatically written, and you could want for little more.

David suggested that the theme of love permeated each piece in his programme. This was undoubtedly true, but if there was any one real love affair, it was surely that of the player with his instrument.

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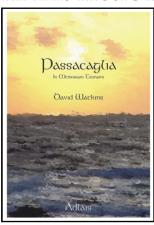
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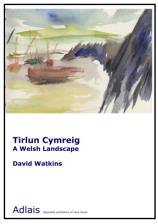
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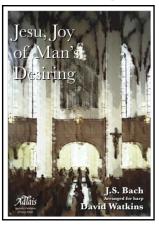
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Geoffery Parsons (accompanist)

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"Good music serves the poetry, & this incredibly beautiful setting ranks with the very best.

Barbara Chapman, American Harp Journal

"Regarding the western harp repertoire, few living musicians have done more to alert our attention to its still untapped richness than Watkins himself. A tireless editor, arranger and composer, he is also compiler of Stainer and Bell's four volume "Anthology of English Music for the Harp".

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The Clive Morley Collection

At the end of the nineteenth century, 56 Old Brompton Road (then Sussex Place) London became the meeting place for harpists from all over the world. John George Morley made and repaired harps, and sold music and strings. His wife Cecilia, a distinguished harpist, was the dedicatee of many compositions and received presents and tributes from famous musicians. Together they collected so much important harp music in their library which forms the basis of the Morley Collection today.

Clive Morley asked me to choose and edit those pieces that should be part of the contemporary harpist's repertoire. The collection of Romances by Parish Alvars, and in his own hand, is the greatest jewel in the crown.

In the nineteenth century, the manuscripts of these delectable pieces were purchased from Monsieur J. Dubez in Vienna. He was a student of Parish Alvars and he and his family were friends of the Morleys. For nearly a hundred years they lay hidden in the Morley Library. Of these ninety-four Romances, only two are known and appear as Nos: 3 and 21 in the John Thomas collection (M.W. 93 and 17 respectively).

I catalogued all the Romances and gave them Morley-Watkins numbers. Also, I chose and edited the best and most useful to be included in three volumes. As many of them are quite short, I often play six of them together in my concerts and their contrasting styles make a fascinating 'Suite'.

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25	Allegretto	G	6/8	16	72		Andante	G	2/4	46
26	Andante	Eb	3/4	17	73		Andante	Db	6/8	46
27	Andante	С	С	18	74		Andantino	G	6/8	47
28	Moderato	G	С	19	75		Andante	Eb	6/8	47
29	Andante	G	2/4	20	76		Allegretto	Bb	6/8	48
30	Andantino	Eb	12/8	21	77		Moderato	Bb	С	49
31	Andante	Ab	6/8	21	78		Allegretto	Bb	2/4	49
32	Andantino	Bb	6/8	22	79		Andante	Ab	6/8	50
33	Andante	G min	2/4	23	80		Andantino	G	4/4	50
34	Moderato	Ab	2/4	23	81		Andantino	Bb	6/8	51
35	Andante Con Moto	C	2/4	24	82		Allegretto	Bb	2/4	52
36	Andante	Bb	6/8	25	83		Andante Sostenuto	F	C	55
37	Andantino	G	6/8	25	84		Andantino	Bb	2/4	57
38	Andante	G min	6/8	26	85		Andante	F	6/8	
39	Andante	Eb	6/8	27	86		Andantino	C	3/4	
40	Andante	F	2/4	28	87		Andante	G	C	
41	Andantino	A	6/8	28	88		Andante	Ab	6/8	
42	Andante	C	2/4	28	89		Andante	Eb	6/8	
43	Andante	Bb	6/8	29	90		Andantino	Bb	3/8	
44	Andantino	Ab	6/8	29	91		Andantino	G	С	
45	Moderato	Ab	C	30	92		Andantino	Eb	C	
46	Moderato	Gb :	3/8	30	93		Andantino	Gb	6/8	
47	Allegro	C min	2/4	31	94	٠.	Andantino	Eb	12/8	

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Passacaglia	Eve Barsham
Dance Movements for Two Harps	Antony Bremner
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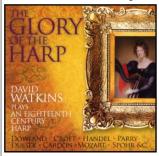
The gilt wing rests upon his shoulder. The strings that are each feather-shaft, Stripped down to their core To reveal the sinew Of each musical note, Divide the world of his left From his right. And in the silence of that split He brings his two spiders to meet At the fingertips. They glance at one another, They reach out to touch, But don't, and flirt. Coquettish, their knees glitter as they dance, Each against the other's underside. Each movement and stride Strikes a consonant or vowel In the syllables of their dialogue. Their dance is mutual persuasion, The sublimation of their conversation, And they are so in love.

> By Frieda Hughes - for David Watkins Published in her collection of poems;

"The Stonepicker and The Book of Mirrors" Published Harper Perennial ISBN 978-0-06-056452-0

PARTIAL DISCOGRAPHY

The Glory of the Harp David Watkins - Harp



1 Pavane and Variations

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6 Aria con Variazioni

HANDEL.

CROFT

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MOZART

20 Variations on a theme of Mozart MAYER21 Fantasia **SPOHR**

22 Variations on a theme of Spohr

Sacred & Profane

Michael Bochmann - Violin

David Watkins - Harp

SACRED

Profane

MICHAEL BOCHMANN - VIOLIN DAVID WATKINS -

2 The Clergyman's Lamentation

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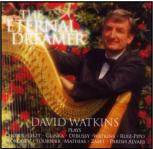
7 Premiere Arabesque DEBUSSY 8 Ave Maria BACH/GOUNOD

1 Air on the G string

3 Moll in the Wadd

9 Voi che Sapete

The Eternal Dreamer David Watkins - Harp



1 Etude de Concert (Au Matin)

2 L'Éternal Rêveur

3 Vers la Source dans le Bois

4 Lolita la Danseuse TOURNIER

5 Pièce for Eleonora

6 Pittoresco

7 Prelude in C (Opus 12 No.7)

PROKOFIEV **GLINKA**

8 Nocturne 9 Nocturne

CHOPIN 10 Nocturne (Consolations No.3)

LISZT

11 -14 Four Romances

PARISH ALVARS 15 Sad Marguerite at the Spinning

Wheel

16 The Fountain ZABEI. 17-19 Three Improvisations

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20 La Fille aux Cheveux de Lin 21 Première Arabesque DEBUSSY

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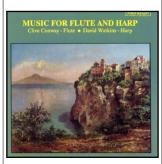
24 Passacaglia

In Memoriam Tsunami

WATKINS 25-27 Petite Suite

Music for Flute & Harp

Clive Conway - Flute David Watkins - Harp



1 Variations on Greensleeves

ANON

2-4 Sonata in C

VIVALDI

5-7 Sonata in G minor

BOISMORTER

8 Orphée

Dance of the Blessed Spirits

GLUCK

9-11 Sonata in C

MOZART

12-14 Sonata in F

KRUMPHOLTZ

15 Andante con variazioni

ROSSINI

16 Variations on a theme of Rossini **CHOPIN**

17 Trio from L'Enfance du Christ **BERLIOZ**

The Triumph of Time Part 1 Jane Leslie MacKenzie - Soprano Michael Bochmann - Violin

David Watkins - Harp



1 Music for Awhile

I Attempt from Love's Sickness

3 Dido's Farewell

PURCELL

BACH

4 Largo (Sonata in C)

5 Allegro (Sonata in C)

6 Pieta Signore

STRADELLA

7 Se Tu m'Ami

PERGOLESI

8 Nel Cor Piu Non Mi Sento

PAISIELLO

9 O Del Mio Dolce Ardor GLUCK

10 Als Luise 11 Abendempfindung

12 An Chloë

MOZART

13-15 Sonata in C major

VIVALDI

16 Ombra Mai Fu 17 O Had I Jubal's Lyre

18 Lascia ch'io Pianga 19 Il Trionfo del Tempo

HANDEL

The Triumph of Time Part 2 Jane Leslie MacKenzie - Soprano Michael Bochmann - Violin David Watkins - Harp



1 Where e'er You Walk

HANDEL. 2 The Clergyman's Lamentation

3 Moll in the Wadd

4 The Foggy Foggy Dew TRAD arr Watkins

5 As I Walked Forth

JOHNSON 6 Have You Seen But a White Lily

Grow 7 A Welsh Landscape

WATKINS

8 Du Bist Die Ruh

9 Seligkeit **SCHUBERT** 10 An Den Mond SCHUMANN

11 Romance in Ab

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12 Meditation from Thaïs

MASSENET

13 Agnus Dei BIZET 14 Stille Nacht

GRÜBER arr Watkins

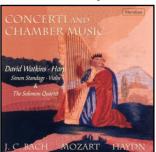
15 A Hymn to the Virgin

RUBBRA 16 Jesukin

17 Still Still Still TRAD arr Cleaton 18 Ave Maria BACH/GOUNOD

Concerti & Chamber Music

David Watkins - Harp Simon Standage - Violin & The Salomon Quartet



Sinfonia Concerto

Allegro Assi

Andante

Presto

Sonata VI in B flat major

Allegretto

Andante

Allegro

BACH

Adagio and Rondo, K617

Adagio

Rondo

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9 Adagio for solo Harp, K617a MOZART Trio in F major, Hb XV:40

Menuett and Trio

Tempo giusto Allegro

HAYDN

BACH

Concerto in C major, Hb 15-37

13 Allegro moderato 14 Andante

Allegro

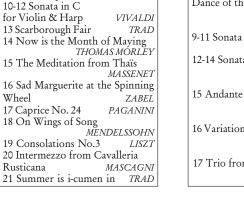
HAYDN

"The balance of the old instruments and their tone and the location of the recording make it all sound extremely fine and its all most attractive lovely music from a most beautiful age. We both seem to agree about many things in music, above all about tempo!! I love all your tempi, which for me, leave the music free to speak to us and never to ever think of or to feel encumbered by the harp's limitations. It is all most delightful throughout. The string bowing all sounds very sensible and clear to me and right for the music. Your trills are still utterly amazing as is the speed and accuracy of your playing even in what sounds to me tricky passage work. As well as your usual brilliance the clarity is at all times faultless! I hope and pray that it will be well and kindly received by the critics.

I often wished I'd studied with you and become something like you as a player, but it was not to be, for there was too much demand on my time!!

You are now one of the greatest players anywhere in the world, and wish you every happiness for the future.'

> The late DEREK BELL Late harpist to the Chieftains.



ВАСН

TRAD

PAGANINI

MOZART

Concerti & Chamber Music

The late 18th century was a golden age for the harp, especially in France, where Marie Antoinette's enthusiasm for the instrument induced something of a harp craze in fashionable society. In this agreeable re-creation of 18th century domestic music making, only one work - the JC Bach Sonata - was written specifically for the harp, though all the music sounds well in David Watkins's idiomatic realisations. Both the sonata and the Sinfonia Concerto (arranged from a harpsichord concerto) exude the 'London' Bach's trademark urbanity & delicate sensuality. Neither of the early Haydn works is fully authenticated, and while both manipulate galant clichés pleasantly enough, they only really come to life in the breezy finales.

With the Mozart, arrangements of pieces for the glass harmonica, we are on another plane altogether: minor works, yet quintessential late Mozart in their rarified, luminous solemnity.

If the harp - a Grecian-style instrument strung to recreate the silvery sonority of an 18th-century harp - cannot emulate the glass harmonica's unearthly timbre, it compensates with its infinitely greater flexibility.

Watkins's playing throughout is aptly graceful, with deft touches of timing and ornamentation, and the Salomon Quartet offers sympathetic support.

Richard Wigmore BBC Music Magazine, Dec 2000

"It is a genuine musical, pleasure to hear lovely works, new to me, composed by J.C. Bach, Mozart and Haydn. When these works are so beautifully and musically played the pleasure is even greater."

Lady Evelyn Barbirolli 3rd July 2000

"What a delightful, & civilised record, which I love. I hope you sell huge quantities of it."

Professor H.C. Robbins Landon (The great Mozart-Haydn Scholar)

SOLO RECORDINGS

1. Music for Harp RCA (LRLI5087) 1975 Croft, Parry, Arne, Casanovas, Soler, Scarlatti, Spohr, Tournier, Berkeley, Watkins.

"The Petite Suite won first prize in an international competition for harp composition in 1961 and, from the sound of it deserved to do so." "Altogether a most excellent recording by a fastidious and polished player (his control of staccato is outstanding) and a sensitive musician.

John Duarte Records and Recording Nov : 1975

"Watkins is just as skilful an exponent of this later music as of the earlier; and everywhere he is impeccably recorded."

Gramophone, September 1975

2. Spanish Music for Harp RCA (RL25099) 1977

Cabezon, Ribayaz, Mudarra, Blasco de Nebra, Angles, Soler, Turina, Albeniz, Chavarri, Ruiz-Pipo, de Falla.

"Regretfully David Watkins' record offers us merely enough to let us know that it would be very enjoyable indeed to hear him perform more."

Music & Musicians, March 1978

"The depth and mellowness given by David Watkins' instrument are continuously given new point by the beauty of his playing". "I would certainly second any proposition from a listener that if what he wants is just the romantic sound of a harp in the most expert of hands, caressing some of the most agreeable of music, then surely this is it; and it is also faultlessly recorded."

Gramophone, September 1977

3. Introduction and Allegro and French Music

RCA (RL25094) 1978 David Watkins with the National Philharmonic Orchestra Conducted by Charles Gerhardt.

"This is a beautifully played and recorded concert of the popular French repertoire, a recital remarkable for a performance of Ravel's Introduction and Allegro with multiple strings rather than a solo string quartet." "deserving of our superlative grading strongly recommended."

The Art of Record Buying

"The most recent recordings seem to approach us through degrees of warmth, and the warmest of them all is evoked by the British harpist David Watkins. Mr Watkins incidentally, has joined that group of harpist-composers who have recorded their own works."

The New York Times 27th September 1981

"David Watkins plays the luxurious harp part with great finesse."

Gramophone, February 1978

4. The Romantic Harp Pyramid (PYRLPI) 1989 Spohr, Bochsa, Glinka, Godefroid, Liszt, Zabel, Chopin, Parish Alvars, Hasselmans, Renié.

ENSEMBLE RECORDINGS

5. The Kodaly Girls Choir EMI (SX6014) 1966
Britten and Kodaly with David Watkins. Kodaly and Watkins worked together on "Wainamoinen makes music." Boosey & Hawkes.

"David Watkins's contribution deserves its share of the credit."

6. Welcome Child of Mary *EMI (HQS1092) 1967*From the Penguin Book of Carols by Elizabeth Poston. Solo Harp David Watkins

7. An English Day Book Erase (E0181) 1967 For Choir and Harp by Elizabeth Poston.

8. Guillaume de Machaut Oiseau Lyre (SOL310) 1969 Inc Ballade for voice & harp.

9. Roman Dream

Argo (ZRG691) 1972 By Alun Hoddinott with Margaret Price, and Gerald English & chamber group.

10. Land of Heart's Desire *Meridian (E77008) 1977*Hebridean songs with Alison Pearce and David Watkins.

"In David Watkins she has an excellent partner."

Gramophone, June 1978

11. William Byrd and his Contemporaries

RCA (RL25110) 1977 The London Early Music Group directed by James Tyler with early harp.

"One cannot single out individuals in a group of such uniformly high competence, but neither can we leave unmentioned the superb harp playing of David Watkins working miracles of dexterity with the small levers that raise and lower the pitch of early harp strings."

John Duarte Music & Musicians, May 1977

"The rest of the London Music Group, particularly the harpist David Watkins played with great virtuosity and insight." Simon Mundy, 30th September 1977 Classical Music Weekly

12. The Dawn of Romance *EMI (CSD3785) 1978* With Martin Best and celtic harp in the ensemble.

13. Music for All Seasons. *RCA (RL25159(2)) 1978* The London Early Music Group director James Tyler.

14. Universal Prayer-Panufnik

Unicorn (RHS305) 1970 A choral work accompanied by four harps and organ and conducted by Stokowski.

15. Il Ritorno d' Ulisse in Patria-Monteverdi CBS (79332) 1979 LPO Von Stade Stilwell and Raymond Leppard. Harp continuo.



Back catalogue

While some of the recordings on this page are not currently available as CDs it is possible to locate new or used LPs. We are in the process of negotiating the re release of some of these items as CDs. Further news will be posted at www.davidwatkins.info and at Creighton's Collection web site





Portrait of David Watkins by Brigid Marlin (2011)

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