

## **Hasan Niyazi Tura (b.1982)**

Hasan Niyazi Tura was born in 1982 in Istanbul, Turkey. His father Yalçın Tura, who is a renowned composer and musicologist, was a great influence in Hasan's career. At the age of seven, Hasan started violin lessons with Prof. Gönül Gökdoğan, then as an older student, studied composition with his father Yalçın Tura and Hasan Uçarsu. In 2003, he graduated from Mimar Sinan University Istanbul State Conservatory, but continued his studies with Prof. Cihat Aşkın. During his studies, he attended many international music festivals and masterclasses.

His debut was in 2006 with the Cemal Resit Rey (CRR) Symphonic Orchestra, which was conducted by Rengim Gökmen. Tura earned his master's degree in orchestra conducting at Hacettepe University Ankara State Conservatory, in 2010. He won first prize in the area of composition at a national contest organized by the Turkish Ministry of Culture and Tourism. In 2007, Tura composed "Oratorio for Martyrs," based on Aytaç Yalman's libretto. Hasan Niyazi Tura currently performs as a violinist in the Cumhurbaşkanlığı Senfoni Orkestrasi (Presidential Symphony Orchestra) and also is conductor of the Doğuş Symphonic Children's Orchestra.

*—Program note by Gözde Çakır*

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