



C MUSIC TV - OCTOBER 2009 VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS

II GIARDINO ARMONICO - THE BRANDENBURG CONCERTO



Il Giardino Armonico is a pioneering Italian early music ensemble founded in Milan in 1985 by Luca Pianca & Giovanni Antonini. Considered the most creative and well-respected Baroque ensemble of the 20th century, Il Giardino Armonico have released a string of critically acclaimed albums, including the 'Bach Brandenburg Concertos' , which offers a light & airy interpretation taken at a blistering pace.

VANESSA MAE - ART OF WAR



Born in Singapore, Vanessa-Mae has become one of the most instantly recognisable classical crossover musicians in the world. With a self-described 'violin techno-acoustic fusion', Vanessa has released a string of hugely successful albums culminating in the 'Platinum Collection' & sold more than 10 million albums worldwide. In 2010 Vanessa will release a new album which is said to take inspiration from ballet & opera themes.

WEST SIDE STORY 'MARIA'



American violinist Joshua Bell performs a piece by composer Leonard Bernstein from the film West Side Story, which is an adaptation by director Robert Wise of the Broadway musical written by Arthur Laurents. Based on Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet, the film is set on Manhattan's Upper West Side & explores the rivalry between teenage gangs of different ethnic and cultural backgrounds. West Side Story received 10 Academy Awards out of 11 nominations.

LONE MADSEN 'HYPNOTIC'



Lone Madsen is a Danish born classical clarinetist. A former student of the Guildhall School of Music & the Julliard School in New York, Madsen is a well established soloist & chamber musician. She has performed at prestigious venues around the world & gained widespread praise for her 'sense of style & rich, expressive sound'. Her debut solo album 'White Sands', featuring 'Hypnotic' is due for release this year.

COLDPLAY 'THE SCIENTIST'



Coldplay are a British alternative rock band formed in 1998. The group comprises vocalist/pianist/guitarist Chris Martin, lead guitarist Jonny Buckland, bassist Guy Berryman, & drummer/backing vocalist Will Champion. They have released four studio albums since debuting in 2000 & sold in excess of 50 million albums worldwide. Coldplay are best known for hit singles 'Yellow', 'The Scientist' and more recently 'Viva la Vida'.

C MUSIC TV CLOSE UP - ZBIGNIEW PREISNER 'SILENCE, NIGHT & DREAMS'



Zbigniew Preisner is one of Poland's leading film composers. Formally a history & philosophy student in Kraków, Preisner never received formal music lessons, learning music by listening & transcribing parts from his favourite records. He has since become a prolific film composer in Poland, best known for his work with film director Krzysztof Kieslowski.

"Silence, Night & Dreams" explores Preisner's most recent recording, which is a large-scale work for orchestra, choir & soloists based on texts from the Book of Job. The world premiere took place in Athens in 2007 in the historic amphitheatre on the Acropolis with the Contemporary Music Orchestra of ERT & sopranos Teresa Salgueiro & Thomas Cully.