



C MUSIC TV - APRIL 2010 VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS

ELIN MANAHAN THOMAS 'ETERNAL SOURCE OF LIGHT DIVINE'



Elin Manahan Thomas is a Welsh soprano who made headlines in early 2000 as the first singer in almost 300 years to perform Bach's aria *Alles Mit Gott*, written in 1713, but only discovered in 2005. A former member of the Monteverdi Choir & The Sixteen, Thomas studied at the Royal College of Music in London & at 29 signed a five album deal with UCJ, releasing her debut album of Baroque repertoire in 2007.

GARDAR THOR CORTES 'NESSUN DORMA'



Gardar Thor Cortes is an Anglo-Icelandic classical & crossover tenor. A former child actor, Cortes won a scholarship to the Royal Academy of Music, London and later trained as a singer in Vienna, Copenhagen & London. He has performed various leading roles, including Raoul in Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Phantom of the Opera*, but is perhaps best known for his classical crossover albums, featuring a selection of contemporary classical tracks.

THE CHORUS 'FOLLOW YOUR PATH (VOIS SUR TON CHEMIN)'



The Chorus (2004) is an adaptation of the 1947 film *'The Cage of Nigtingales'* by first time director Christophe Barratier. An uplifting tale about the power of music, *The Chorus* premiered at the Berlin Film Festival & made a rare impression for a foreign language film at the Academy Awards with two Nominations. The music, written by Bruno Coulais, features vocals by Jean-Paul Bonnaire & Les Petits Chanteurs de Saint-Marc Choir.

RYANDAN 'LIKE THE SUN'



RyanDan are an American musical duo, featuring identical twins Ryan & Dan Kowarsky. Born in Cincinnati in 1979 & now living in Canada, Ryan & Dan, boldly marched into the offices of Sony Music in Toronto at the tender age of 18, & walked out with a record deal. Their self titled debut album, a mix of pop, opera & classical repertoire, achieved international critical acclaim & entered the British album chart in the top ten.

WILLIAM ORBIT 'PAVANE POUR UNE INFANTE DFUNTE'



William Orbit is a British musician & record producer perhaps best known to most for his work on Madonna's album 'Ray of Light', which received four Grammy Awards. He has also co-produced several other albums, including '13' for Brit pop act 'Blur' & also remixed other tracks on the album. He specialises in atmospheric keyboard electronica although much of his work also features accomplished guitar playing.

C MUSIC TV CLOSE UP - AMY DICKSON 'TAVENER, GLASS & NYMAN'



Australian born saxophonist Amy Dickson is recognized widely for her distinctive tone & exceptional musicality. Amy has performed around the world in venues from London's Wigmore Hall to Sydney's Opera House. Making her debut at just 16 playing the Dubois Concerto with Henryk Pisarek, Dickson won the James Fairfax Australian Young Artist of the Year award & has released two critically acclaimed albums with RCA / Sony Music, 'Smile' (2008) & 'Glass, Tavener & Nyman' (2009).

C Music TV talks exclusively to Amy about her most recent album '*Tavener, Glass & Nyman*', as well as her childhood, recent rise to fame and the benefits that come with it.