

Baritone

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# Mario Hacquard



After studying History and Geography at the Sorbonne University, followed by Gregorian chant at the Ecole Cesar-Franck, Mario Hacquard enters the Paris National Music Conservatory. There, he wins several first medals and is admitted at the Ecole d'Art Lyrique of the Paris Opera with the unanimity of the jury. He receives the Prix Ravel and the Prix Jacques-Ibert at the International Competition of French Melody.

He has performed throughout Europe, in Japan and more recently in Algeria and Israel, in operas by Mozart, Haydn, Cimarosa, Rossini, Puccini, Massenet, Fauré, Britten and oratorios by Monteverdi, Bach, Haendel, Brahms, Mendelssohn, Berlioz, Saint-Saëns, Schönberg...

He also leads the Ensemble vocal A REBOURS (medieval music) and directs operas.

Mario Hacquard founded the Music Festival of Chablis - Burgundy's Golden Gate, for which he is also Artistic Codirector.

He has recorded over thirty records, including :

- *Chants et danses de la Mort* - Moussorgski
- *Lieder* - Beethoven
- *Mémoires françaises oubliées* (Neuville, Caillebotte, Bruneau, Tomasi, Durey, Hubeau)
- *Mémoires* -Daniel-Lesur
- *Winterreise* - Schubert
- *Chansons* - Paul Delmet
- *Angeli et Archangeli* (chant grégorien)
- *Des chansons qui nous ressemblent*

To appear in 2006 :

- *Mémoires* by Andre Gedalge (first-ever recording)
- *En ces jours-là, je répandrai mon Esprit* - gregorian chant
- *Bacco, Tabacco e Venere* - French songs about wine, tabacco and women.



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## *Mélodies françaises oubliées*

With extreme care and great elegance, the excellent Baritone Mario Hacquard and the pianist Claude Collet bring us back a few of these jewels.

Le Monde de la musique

## *Beethoven*

A breath of fresh air and poetic intelligence with these less familiar Beethoven Lieder, which however reveal the genius of their Master... A very appealing success by four young fellows at their best, with the beautiful, firm, and well-timbred baritone voice of Mario Hacquard, and deliver us these jewels of sung poetry.

Radio Notre-Dame

## *Winterreise*

With magnificent timbre and impeccable diction, Mario Hacquard sweeps again (after an exemplary Beethoven record) the German repertoire clean of its grisly expressionist easiness. Far from the dying ogres, the music is brought back to its essential simplicity – and by a French man. And it's about time to factor that in.

Marcel Marnat - Musical Press International

## *Angeli et Archangeli*

The remarkable baritone, with superb audacity based on his beautiful technique, his vast culture and artistic sense, attacks by himself the exceptional specialty of Gregorian Chant, which he studied at the Ecole César-Franck...

...Just like he dominates French Melody and Lieder, Mario Hacquard masters this most difficult virtuoso art, with a voice and musical conception without insipidity, which bring him out of the cloister, where the angels are of course not locked up with the monks...

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