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## TAFELMUSIK BAROQUE ORCHESTRA & CHAMBER CHOIR

## George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

## Messiah

**Directed by Ivars Taurins** 

Karina Gauvin, soprano Robin Blaze, countertenor Rufus Müller, tenor Brett Polegato, baritone

Booklet: English, French, German

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Tafelmusik Baroque Orchestra and Chamber Choir present an intimate and stirring performance of the baroque masterpiece **Handel's Messiah**. This 2-CD recording of the full score on period instruments features a stellar cast of soloists. Tafelmusik presents this baroque masterpiece with the spirit and vitality of Handel's own 18<sup>th</sup>-century productions. "Superhuman", "spot-on", "crisp" and "inspired" are just a few of the words critics have used to describe Tafelmusik's *Messiah*. A perennial favourite with audiences and critics alike, Tafelmusik's *Messiah* has garnered glowing reviews year after year. "I cannot remember a *Messiah* presentation as uniformly 'spot-on' as this year's by Ivars Taurins' Tafelmusik Chamber Choir and Baroque Orchestra." (*The Globe and Mail*).

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