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One of the generation of composers that includes Dutilleux, Françaix and Ibert, Jacques Desbrière inhabits a long-standing French tradition of tonal and modal composition from Couperin to Poulenc, his *Piano Concerto* also embracing the expressive language of Ravel in deliberate quotations. Desbrière's friendship with renowned flautist and conductor Patrick Gallois inspired several pieces for flute and piano in the late 1980s. Of these the *Cinq pièces étranges* has achieved worldwide popularity. The solo piano suite *Préludes intérieurs* also belongs to this fruitful period, all of these works demonstrating to perfection the composer's ideal of an authentically modern aesthetic of beauty. Also conducted by Patrick Gallois, Desbrière's *Sinfonia* can be heard on Naxos 8.557985.

## Jacques DESBRIÈRE

(b. 1925)

### Cinq pièces étranges, for flute and piano †

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| 1 | No. 1 Andante moderato | 3:27 |
| 2 | No. 2 Andante          | 2:22 |
| 3 | No. 3 Assez vif        | 1:23 |
| 4 | No. 4 Quasi adagio     | 1:46 |
| 5 | No. 5 Allegretto       | 2:54 |

### Huit préludes intérieurs, for piano \*

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| 6 | No. 1 Tranquillo    | 1:38 |
| 7 | No. 2 Pas trop lent | 1:43 |

8 No. 3 Énergique, rythmé 0:47

9 No. 4 Égal et fluide 1:20

10 No. 5 Doucement allant 1:59

11 No. 6 Doucement allant 1:20

12 No. 7 Moderato cantabile 3:30

13 No. 8 Rapide, énergique 0:44

### Piano Concerto ‡\* 25:12

14 I. Largo – Allegro vivace 13:01

15 II. Très calme 5:22

16 III. Très vif 6:46

\* WORLD PREMIÈRE RECORDING

Cecilia Löfstrand, Piano  
Patrick Gallois, Flute † and Conductor ‡  
Sinfonia Finlandia Jyväskylä ‡

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