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CHRISTMAS a cappella II MUSICA SACRA

Indra Hughes conductor
ACD 207

This beautiful new album from one of New Zealand's leading choirs is a sequel to the very successful *Christmas a cappella*, which was number one in the NZ classical charts in 2001. It includes a wide variety of pieces: some well known Christmas favourites; some familiar tunes in new arrangements; and some pieces that have not been recorded before. The music ranges from the sixteenth century to the present day, with composers from America, Germany, Austria, England, Ireland, France, Italy and New Zealand.

NZ composer David Griffiths is represented by his *Annunciation*, written for Musica Sacra and recorded here for the first time. The recording also includes *Silent Night* sung in Maori, as arranged by Terence Maskell; other composers include John Rutter, John Scott, Palestrina, Pierre Villette and Eric Whitacre.

Producer Wayne Laird

Executive Producer Kevin Bishop

Engineer Paul McGlashan

Design Transformer Design

22 tracks

16 colour booklet with full texts and translations

Total duration 61'43



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