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Mahler 3

'The opening movement was well shaped, the triumphant ending given a bracing delivery. The fleeting figuration of the second movement, coupled with the Viennese grace of the more Ländler-like passages, was aided by well-chosen tempi — Mr Mantle showing a keen awareness of phrasing and melodic and harmonic direction in the sixth and final movement.'

Glasgow Herald

Brahms Tragic Overture

'The orchestra . . . kept the adrenalin flowing in the composer's passionate romanticism.'

Scotsman

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'On the evidence of last night's performance this, even by its own exalted standards, was quite a tour de force . . . the orchestra constantly reminding us of the beauty of this haunting score.'

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Cathedral Church of St Mary, Palmerston Place

Sunday 24 August 5.00 pm

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Dennis Townhill organ Neil Mantle conductor

Cathedral Church of St Mary, Palmerston Place

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'The Marriage of Figaro'

Cast includes:

Fiona Mitchell, Andrew Doig, Inga Mantle, Alan Lindsey, Joanne Armstrong, Kathleen Patrick, Ian Langdale-Brown, Ian McNab, Fiona Dinnis, Andrew Fraser

Isobel Ewen producer **Neil Mantle** conductor

Church Hill Theatre

Thursday 16 October 7.30pm

MENDELSSOHN

Incidental Music to 'A Midsummer

Night's Dream'

CHOPIN

Piano Concerto No. 2 in F Minor

Andante Spianato and Grande

Polonaise in Eb

Colin Kingsley piano Neil Mantle conductor

Reid Concert Hall. Teviot Place

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Sunday 23 November 7.45pm

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Liebestod

'Die Walküre' - Act One Scene Three

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Colin Kingsley piano Neil Mantle conductor

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Neil Mantle conductor

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