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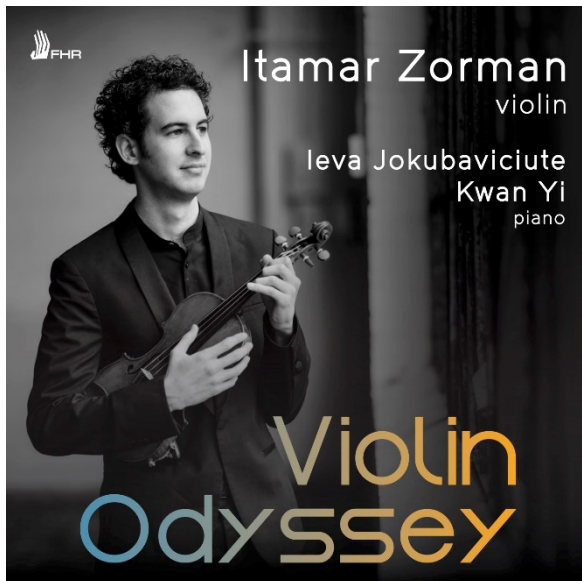
Itamar Zorman, violin

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Violin Odyssey, the latest CD from violinist Itamar Zorman, is the result of his 2020 livestream video series Hidden Gems, another COVID lockdown project which featured lesser-known and rarely played works; ten were chosen for this album. Piano accompaniment is shared by Ieva Jokubaviciute and Kwan Yi (First Hand Records FHR119 firsthandrecords.com).

The two major works are the 1917 Violin Sonata No.2 in B-flat Minor Op.43 by Dora Pejačević and the 1927 Sonata No.2 by Erwin Schulhoff, both terrific works. The eight short pieces of the Heifetz arrangement of Joseph Achron's Children's Suite Op.57 are here, and there are short pieces by Grażyna Bacewicz, Moshe Zorman, Silvestre Revueltas, Ali Osman, Gao Ping and

William Grant Still. Gareth Farr's 2009 Wakatipu for solo violin is a brilliant highlight. **Zorman displays his customary strong, impassioned playing throughout an excellent disc.**

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