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PHILIPPE LEDUC

presents his new album, DIGINADA

Montreal, 23 March 2010 — The celebrated and eclectic composer **Philippe Leduc** is proud to announce the release of his **new album, DIGINADA**. Having achieved a rare exploit in the world of Canadian classical music – his three previous albums have sold more than 38,000 copies – Leduc once again transports listeners into a spectacular universe, with unique musical moments and rich melodies that will bring shivers of pleasure. This work, an essential for music lovers, is now available for purchase.

A multi-skilled musician, Philippe Leduc composed, arranged, programmed, and provided artistic direction for the entire album. In addition to offering twelve dazzling, enigmatic pieces imbued with spirituality, Leduc pays tribute to Société Radio-Canada, which has provided him with prestigious commissions since early in his career.

The pieces *Eschmeralda*, *Diginada*, *Zone libre*, *Stigmata*, and *Lux Æterna* are inspired by program themes composed by Leduc. Listeners may also recognize the themes for *Docs en stock*, *Découverte*, and *Météo de RDI* revisited by the composer, as well as the music for *Zone libre*, dedicated to those who fight for freedom of the press and of speech.

The jewelbox features images taken from Hieronymus Bosch's famous trilogy *The Garden of Delights*. The lyrics are inspired by these images and relate an odyssey toward the salvation of humankind. The song titled *Hay Ram* – literally, O God – evokes Leduc's son Emmanuel's struggle against death after his fall in the mountains of Kashmir.

Recorded and mixed by François Arbour in several well-known Montreal studios, including Radio-Canada's Studio 12, **DIGINADA** brings together extremely talented musicians. In *Viva la Muerte!*, listeners will thrill to the brilliance of Élyzabeth Diaga, accompanied by a remarkable symphonic chorus conducted by Mark Gianetti. Diaga is also superlative in two other pieces: *Rouge Antarès* and *Stigmata*.

DIGINADA, released on the Les Productions de L'Encrîer label, combines the great composer's lyrical classical style with his very current digital expertise. Classical music lovers will be enthralled by this masterful work. Available today!

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