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GAL: VIOLIN CONCERTOS, ETC. (AVIE AV 2146)

HANS GAL'S Violin Concerto, written in 1931-32, when he was head of the conservatory in Mainz, is beautifully performed by young German soloist Annette-Barbara Vogel.

By the time Gal wrote his Concertino, in 1939, he was a refugee here from Nazi Germany. This is all lyrical, romantic music in a conservative modern idiom. Kenneth Woods conducts the Northern Sinfonia.

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