

ROSARIEROS

Religious polyphonic music of oral tradition and the Mystery play: El Misteri d'Elx

Program for 6 musicians



Since time immemorial the brotherhood **Los Rosarieros de Híjar** in the province of Teruel (Spain) has been singing every holiday before dawn songs dedicated to the festivity. This brotherhood has survived many centuries, as a consequence the archaic character of this repertoire has been maintained up to the day. The name of this brotherhood originates from *Los misterios del rosario*. This is the most important Marian devotion, rooted in the middle ages.

In the village of Híjar we find a **rich polyphonic repertoire of oral tradition which** Vox Suavis frames with pieces from the Mystery Play: El Misteri d'Elx. Also a brotherhood has been organizing the performances of Mary's Ascension's Day in Elche, Alicante since the 16th century CE. The selected pieces, monodies and polyphonies, represent the perfect link with the traditional repertoire chosen for this program.

Ana Arnaz, soprano and percussion

Christel Boiron, mezzo

Dominique Vellard, tenor and oud

Giacomo Schiavo, baritone

Baptiste Romain, fiddles

N.N., bass

Vox Suavis Early and Traditional music