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Robert Schumann Symphony No.4 in D minor, Op.120 *1 1. Ziemlich langsam – Lebhaft* [*11:52*] *2 2. Romanze (Ziemlich langsam)* [*5:21*] *3 3. Scherzo* [*5:56*] *4 4. Langsam - Lebhaft -Schneller – Presto* [*7:50*] Franz Joseph Haydn (1732 - 1809) Symphony in G, H.I No.88 *5 1. Adagio – Allegro* [*6:52*] *6 2. Largo 6:19*] *7 3. Menuetto* (*Allegretto*) [*4:25*] *8 4. Finale* (*Allegro con spirito*) [*3:40*] Berliner Philharmoniker Wilhelm Furtwängler – conductor

The Symphony No. 4 in D Minor, Op. 120, composed by Robert Schumann, was completed in 1841 (first version). Schumann heavily revised the symphony in 1851, and it was this version that reached publication. Clara Schumann, Robert's widow, later claimed on the first page of the score to the symphony—as published in 1882 as part of her husband's complete works (Robert Schumanns Werke, Herausgegeben von Clara Schumann, published by Breitkopf und Härtel) — that the symphony had merely been sketched in 1841 but was only fully orchestrated ("vollständig instrumentiert") in 1851. However, this was untrue, and Johannes Brahms, who greatly preferred the earlier version of the symphony, published that version in 1891 despite Clara's strenuous objections.

The Symphony No. 88 in G major (Hoboken 1/88) was written by Joseph Haydn. It is occasionally referred to as The Letter V referring to an older method of cataloguing Haydn's

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symphonic output. The symphony was completed in 1787. It is one of Haydn's best-known works, even though it is not one of the Paris or London Symphonies and does not have a descriptive nickname.

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