**Music of Hanseatic Cities II Music from old Gdansk**

After the European Hanseatic Ensemble under the direction of Manfred Cordes made a stop in Stralsund in 2023, the journey now leads to Gdansk. And here too, the travelling company has unearthed numerous 17th century treasures of sacred music; organ pieces, choral movements, fascinating scenes such as the battle of Archangel Michael against his adversary ... Once again an image of turbulent times appears before us, in which faith was to be strengthened, not least due to the spirit of music. However, what transpired behind the scenes is thought-provoking – the story of how good Christians and accomplished artists schemingly tried to force each other from their posts is the stuff of historical novels. The accompanying music can be found here.