

Skålarna, skänklåt

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after Byss-Calle (1783 - 1847) Nr. 9

a legendary nyckelharpa fiddler from

Östanå, Älvkarleby parish, northern Uppland, Sweden.

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'Skålarna' is the name of this tune but it is also the plural of 'skål', meaning cheers!

Directly translated, 'skänklåt' is a sideboard! It is a bestowal song (wiki) that in older times was played while collecting money for the fiddler, as well as when gifts at a wedding were handed over to the bride and groom.

This melody is an excerpt from a so-called 'riddaremarsch' or Knight's March, also used at weddings, where the fiddlers marched in front of the wedding guests to and from the church.