

# Clare Hammond

piano

"Amazing power and panache" Daily Telegraph

"Crisp precision and unflashy intelligence" **The Guardian** 

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## RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Performing Philip Glass' etudes alongside the composer in April 2015 at the **Barbican Hall, London**.
- Regular recitals at the Wigmore Hall in London including a performance in 2012, broadcast live by BBC Radio 3 in April 2012 and chosen as one of their 'Classical Highlights' for the month.
- BBC Music Magazine's 'Rising Star' in March 2015.
- Debut recitals for 'Chopin and his Europe' and the Warsaw Autumn International Festival of Contemporary Music in Poland.
- Panufnik centenary tour of Poland under the auspices of the British Council's 'Artists' International Development Fund', with recitals in Zakopane, Warsaw and Kalisz.



- Regular appearances on BBC Radio 3, including a broadcast of Unsuk Chin for 'Hear and Now'.
- Clare co-curated the chamber festival, **Panufnik 100**, at Kings Place with the **Brodsky Quartet**.
- World premieres of works by John McCabe, Arlene Sierra, Deborah Pritchard, Adam Gorb, Andrew Keeling, Robin Walker and Edwin Roxburgh.
- Debut recitals in 2013 for the Cheltenham Music Festival and the City of London Festival with premieres of works written specially for Clare by Ken Hesketh and Robert Saxton.
- Completed a **Doctorate** with a thesis on left-hand piano music and now lectures widely on **left-hand** piano concertos by Ravel and Britten.
- Two discs released with BIS Records and a third to be recorded in August 2015.

#### RECENT REVIEWS

"young British rising star Clare Hammond was a dazzling athlete" Fiona Maddocks, **Guardian** Barbican Hall. London

"This array of wizardry is not for the faint-hearted" lessica Duchen, **BBC Music Magazine** 

"unfaltering bravura and conviction" Bryce Morrison, **Gramophone** 

"vitalité éloquente et force de conviction" Bertrand Boissard, **Diapason** 

"definition of bravura over barnstorming" CRITIC's CHOICE, Classical Music Magazine

"a pronounced virtuoso"
Hartmut Lück, **Klassik Heute** 

"skill, inspiration, clarity and and an extraordinarily meticulous performance", Artem Avatinian

**Gramophone Russia** 

"performs with authority and great imagination"

Haskins, American Record Guide



"... Most impressive, though, was her natural sense of pacing, allowing the hollowed-out climax of Pour les Arpèges Composées to gather like a wisp of smoke in sunlight before dissipating in a passing breeze."

## PROGRAMME PROPOSALS

Clare is happy to perform new commissions and to discuss alternative repertoire or themes.

## **FULL-LENGTH PROGRAMME**

90 minutes

To celebrate the 70th birthdays of John Adams, Tristan Murail and Salvatore Sciarrino

> THOMAS ADÈS Mazurkas, Op. 27 (2009, 8')

TRISTAN MURAIL Territoires de l'oubli (1977, 25')

> UNSUK CHIN Études, Nos. 4-6 (9')

> > **INTERVAL**

JOHN ADAMS Hallelujah Junction (1998, 17')

SALVATORE SCIARRINO Perduto in una città d'Acque (1991, 10')

> PIERRE BOULEZ Incises (1994 / 2001, 10')

> > Encore:

SALVATORE SCIARRINO Anamorfosi (3')

Alternative repertoire:

JOHN ADAMS American Berserk (2001, 6') China Gates (1977, 5'15)

GEORGE BENJAMIN Shadowlines (2001, 15')

TRISTAN MURAIL
Comme un oeil suspendu et poli par le songe... (1967, 6')
La Mandragore (1993, 9')

SALVATORE SCIARRINO Sonata No. 5 (1994, 17') Due Notturni: Nos. I and II (1999, 13')

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"Mazurkas"

CHOPIN 4 Mazurkas, Op. 67 (7')

SCHUMANN, CLARA Mazurka en sol mineur, Soirées musicales, Op. 6 (3'30)

> DEBUSSY Mazurka (2'30)

FAURÉ Mazurka Op. 32 (8')

MARTINU Mazurka, H. 284 "Hommage à Paderewski" (2')

> SZYMANOWSKI 3 Mazurkas, Op. 50 Nos. 2, 9 et 6 (9')

MACIEJEWSKI Mazurkas Nos. 1, 7 and 4 (6'30)

> ADÈS 3 Mazurkas, Op. 27 (8')

> > INTERVAL

FAURÉ 2 Nocturnes, Op. 37 and Op. 107 (10')

> MEDTNER Sonata Romantica, Op. 53 (27')

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