

Clare Hammond

piano

"Amazing power and panache" Daily Telegraph

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

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REVIEWS OF 'REFLECTIONS'

Clare's debut CD for BIS Records of works by Andrzej and Roxanna Panufnik



"A fascinating compendium, expertly executed", CJ International Piano Magazine Choice

"stunningly performed by Clare Hammond", Ivan Moody

Gramophone UK

"a commandingly virtuosic performance", John Allison **BBC Music Magazine**

"mit klug und spontan wirkendem", Peter Cossé

Klassik Heute

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

Gramophone Russia

"Elle excelle à installer dans chaque pièce une ambiance",

Bertrand Boissard, 5 Diapasons





Clare's second disc for BIS, of études by **Unsuk Chin**, Karol Szymanowski, Sergei Lypaunov and **Nikolai Kapustin** is due for international release in February 2015.

HIGHLIGHTS 2013-14

- Debut recitals for Chopin i jego Europa 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', including recitals in Zakopane and Kalisz, and performances in Kalisz and Lublin of Panufnik's Piano Concerto.



- Regular appearances on BBC Radio 3, including a live broadcast from the Wigmore Hall, selected as one of their 'Highlights of the Month', and a broadcast of 6 études by Unsuk Chin for 'Hear and Now'.
- Clare is curating a chamber festival, Panufnik 100: a family celebration at Kings Place, London where she will perform with mezzo Heather Shipp, jazz singer Jacqui Dankworth and the Brodsky Quartet.
- World premieres of works by John McCabe, Arlene Sierra, Deborah Pritchard, Adam Gorb, Andrew Keeling, Robin Walker and Edwin Roxburgh.
- Return visits to give solo recitals at the Bridgewater Hall in Manchester and Wigmore Hall in London.
- 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.



PRESS

"displayed its scintillating passagework and poetic calm with great flair"

The Guardian, Cheltenham Festival, Rian Evans

"... 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."

The Guardian, Southbank Centre, Guy Dammann

SAMPLE PROGRAMMES

Clare is happy to perform new commissions, discuss programmes, and to offer other suggestions if of interest.

ÉTUDE

Featuring music from Clare's forthcoming disc of 20th and 21st-century études for BIS.

JULIAN ANDERSON Etudes, Nos. 1-4 (1995-8, 15')

UNSUK CHIN Etudes, Nos. 1-6, (1995-2003, 18')

GYÖRGY LIGETI Études, Nos. 10-12 Book 2 (1994, 9')

Interval

SERGEI LYAPUNOV Études d'Exécution Transcendante, Nos. 4-6, (1897-1900, 16')

KAROL SZYMANOWSKI Études, Op. 33, (1916, 13')

NIKOLAI KAPUSTIN 5 Etudes in Different Intervals, (1992, 16')



Audio demos at: www.clarehammond.com/etude.html

BRITISH CONTEMPORARY MUSIC

OLIVER KNUSSEN Prayer Bell Sketch (1997, 6')

KEN HESKETH Horae (pro clara) (2013, 38')

Interval

ROBERT SAXTON
Hortus Musicae, Book I (2013, 18')

JOHN WOOLRICH Pianobook XI (2010, 8')

PIERS HELLAWELL Piani, Latebre (2010, 14')

ROBERT SAXTON Chacony for left hand (1988, 6')



Listen at to Hesketh's Horae at: www.clarehammond.com/horae.html

and to Knussen's Prayer Bell Sketch at: www.clarehammond.com/ guildhall.html

CONCERTO and ENSEMBLE WORKS

ELLIOTT CARTER Dialogues (2003, 13'30) Dialogues II (2012, 5')

UNSUK CHIN

Double Concerto for Piano and Percussion (2002, 20')

Piano Concerto (1996-7, 25')

GYÖRGY LIGETI Piano Concerto (1985-88, 23'30)

OLIVIER MESSIAEN

Oiseaux Exotiques (1955-6, 15'30)