SAMPLE PROGRAMME

Full-length Evening Recitals

Clare is happy to discuss programmes and to offer other suggestions if of interest.

These programmes can be modified to fit a lunch-time slot and works can be exchanged between the two.

Programme I

Programme 2

HAYDN Fantasia in C major, Hob XVII: 4 (5'30)

> DAVIES, TANSY Loopholes and Lynchpins (10')

BEETHOVEN
Sonata No. 30 in E major, Op. 109 (18')

INTERVAL

STRAVINSKY Trois mouvements de Petrouchka (16')

BARTOK 6 Romanian Folk Dances, Sz. 56 (5')

SCRIABIN Sonate-Fantasie No. 2, Op. 19 (11')

PROKOFIEV Sonata No. 3 in A minor, Op. 28 (8')

SCHUBERT 4 Impromptus, D. 899 (28')

> CHIN, UNSUK Études, Nos. 3-6 (12')

> > **INTERVAL**

DEBUSSY Mazurka (2'30)

FAURÉ Mazurka Op. 32 (8')

DEBUSSY

Selection of *Préludes* (30') (Voiles, Les collines d'Anacapri, La sérénade interrompue, La Cathédral engloutie, La Puerta del Vino, Bruyères, Général Lavine - eccentric, Feux d'artifice)

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Programme I opens with Haydn's vivacious Fantasia, whose wit is complemented perfectly by Tansy Davies' sharply etched *Loopholes and Lynchpins*. Beethoven's serene and ethereal Sonata in E major Op. 109 closes the first half. The second half comprises works by Slavic composers, with Stravinsky's virtuosic Petroushka Suite, Bartok's well loved Romanian folk dances, Scriabin's other-worldly second sonata, and Prokofiev's rumbustious and rousing third sonata.

Programme 2 pairs two major classics in the first half - Schubert's remarkable set of Impromptus and Unsuk Chin's scintillating and vibrant etudes. Clare's recording of the latter has received extensive international critical praise and the études themselves are always popular with audiences. The second half of the programme presents two Mazurkas, by Debussy and Fauré respectively, before embarking upon an exploration of Debussy's *Préludes*.



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piano

"Amazing power and panache" Daily Telegraph

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

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HIGHLIGHTS 2014-16

- Royal Festival Hall debut in December 2016 with the Philharmonia.
- Tour of Poland in spring 2016, with Mozart's concerto in D minor, K. 466 and a newly-discovered work by his contemporary, Josef Myslivecek.
- · Recorded the soundtrack of recent Alan Bennett film adaptation, 'The Lady in the Van', with the Philharmonia and BBC Concert Orchestra, now available on Sony Records. Clare appeared as the younger Maggie Smith in the film itself.
- Return visits to the Cheltenham and Presteigne Festivals in 2016, with world premieres of works by Robert Saxton and Michael Berkeley.
- Five broadcasts on BBC Radio 3 in 2015, including a special invitation to perform as part of the 'In Tune' Christmas special, alongside Joanna Lumley.
- Performed Philip Glass' etudes alongside the composer in April 2015 at the Barbican Hall.
- BBC Music Magazine's 'Rising Star' in March 2015.
- Two discs with BIS Records and a third to be released in June 2016.
- Debut recitals for 'Chopin and his Europe' and the Warsaw Autumn International Festival of Contemporary Music in Poland in
- · Panufnik centenary tour of Poland under the auspices of the British Council's 'Artists' International Development Fund', with recitals in Zakopane, Warsaw and Kalisz.



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" Jessica 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





[&]quot;... 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."