#### **BIOGRAPHY**

Marcus Jackson is an artist, composer, and writer based in Wellington, New Zealand. He likes to collaborate with performers, creating work that interrogates the links between physical gesture and sound production, often with uncanny results. His musical training was geared towards contemporary classical music, creative technology, and ethnomusicology.

His works often have an auto-biographical skew—including himself in audio/visual cameo, or as a performer. He approaches material in extremes, being most comfortable working at the upper and lower limits of volume and stimulus. In particular, he enjoys taking very small gestures, sounds or objects, and amplifying their role in the performance context.

He regularly performs alongside Nick Snowball as part of INOPPORTUNE, has been a Co-Director for SMP Ensemble and is currently a Co-Editor for BLOT, with Antonia Barnett-McIntosh.

## **EDUCATION**

Master of Music in Composition and Sonic Arts Te Koki New Zealand School of Music, VUW 2018-2019

Bachelor of Music with First Class Honours in Composition and Sonic Arts Te Koki New Zealand School of Music, VUW 2013-2017

# **AWARDS**

Performer's Award, NZSM Composers Competition, 2018 Winner of the ACL Young Composers Award, Taiwan, 2018 Victoria Masters by Thesis Scholarship, 2018

Ross Harris Award for Live Electronic Music, 2017

Winner of the New Zealand School of Music Composer's Competition 2016

Finalist in the New Zealand School of Music Composers' Competition 2018 and 2017

#### WORK

#### **HOME DEPOT**

Play\_station, Wellington, May 2020

#### ALL I FEAR IS DEATH BEFORE FAME

for Mark Menzies and Justin DeHart commissioned by ISCM/ACL Festival, May 2020 (postponed)

#### What's The Purpose Of This Project?

NZ Fringe Festival, Wellington, March 2020 Nelson Fringe Festival, Nelson, May 2020 (postponed)

#### **IMMEDIACY**

ADSR Zine, March 2020

## The Pit (203The Terrace)

off-site installation with Rosie Dent Play\_station, Wellington, August 2019

## The Builders of This Faith

octophonic work with Jesse Austin-Stewart Adam Art Gallery, Wellington, August 2019 Cathedral of St Paul, Wellington, March 2019

### SOCRATE

performance with Nick Snowball and Mark Menzies Christchurch Arts Festival, July 2019

## PRIVATE MATTER

MEANWHILE Gallery, Wellington, June 2019

# **DISCONTINUITY**

Masters thesis

#### like some kind of residue

Play\_station, Wellington, NZ, May 2019

### expectation of a sensory event is enough to <u>induce ownership over a fake hand</u>

Performance Art Week Aotearoa, November 2018

#### the way a smile fades

MEANWHILE Gallery, Wellington, June-July 2018 Audio Foundation, Auckland, July 2019

#### Fish in Pink Gelatine

by Elliot Vaughan (as performer) Adam Art Gallery, Wellington, January 2019

## a somnolence so dense it seemed to inhibit breathing

for two performers with whistles and electronics, 2019

## like speaking into each others' mouths

for clarinettist and cellist TNUA, Taipei, Taiwan, October 2018

for trombone and audiovisual electronics Adam Concert Room, Wellington, October 2018

## **WORK CONTINUED**

#### WET DREAM II

for e.gt, kit, electronics, live visuals Perth, Australia, December 2018 Nelson, NZ, July 2018 Wellington, NZ, June 2018

# Presenter in a forum on animated notation

ACMC Perth, Australia, December 2018

#### w3t dr33m

for double bass and electronics, commissioned by SMP Ensemble Adam Concert Room, Wellington, March 2018

#### Gossamer Shallows

in collaboration with Charlotte Wheeler Te Auaha, Wellington, NZ November 2018

## that which does not conform

for orchestra

performed by NZSM Orchestra Sacred Heart Cathedral, Wellington, NZ, October 2017

mechatronic organ augmentation, October 2017

## this nervous body

Sonic Arts Lab, Wellington, NZ, October 2017

### fracture in sheets draped on curved surfaces

for string quartet

performed by New Zealand String Quartet Adam Concert Room, Wellington, NZ, October 2017

## when where

for piano trio and electronics Adam Concert Room, Wellington, NZ, September 2017

## the pressure of small things

for chamber ensemble

commissioned and performed by Intrepid Music Group Tim Melville Gallery, Auckland, NZ, May 2017

#### an emotion planned

for soprano saxophone workshopped by Joshua Hyde Adam Concert Room, Wellington, May 2017

## a figure in a room imagines another

play\_station, Wellington, NZ, October 2016

#### not here, but present

for cello and percussion performed by Olivia Wilding and Naoto Segawa Adam Concert Room, Wellington, October 2016

# the body is incongruent

for snare drum

workshopped by Garret Mendelow Adam Concert Room, Wellington, August 2016 lazarus for orchestra, May 2016

for piano trio performed by Alex Taylor, Jane Curry and Gracie Francis Nelson, Wellington, NZ, July 2016

#### anxieties

for string quartet workshopped by New Zealand String Quartet Adam Concert Room, Wellington, NZ, September 2015

#### LUNG

for two violins, percussion and piano performed in CMNZ Competition Napier, NZ, June 2014

## apres-coup

for cello and harp, 2013

# goyishe

for two violins and four-hands piano performed in CMNZ Competition Napier, NZ, June 2013

#### While Dreamscapes Stagnate

for flute, violin, cello, and piano performed in CMNZ Competition Napier, NZ, June 2012 Auckland, NZ, September 2012

Winner: Original Composition Section (CMNZ)

# Communion

for choir

Highly Commended, Big Sing NZ, 2012

## Whisper

for choir

Napier Civic Choir, Napier, NZ, 2011

#### Memoirs of a Forgotten Soul

for flute, clarinet, and piano performed in CMNZ Competition Napier, NZ, June 2011 Hamilton, NZ, September 2011

Winner: Original Composition Section (CMNZ)

### Mechanization of the Heart

for orchestra

performed by Auckland Philharmonic Orchestra Auckland, NZ, September 2010

### Prelude

for orchestra

performed by Auckland Philharmonic Orchestra