



Clare Hammond

piano

“Unflinching bravura and conviction” **BBC Music Magazine**

“Crisp precision and unflashy intelligence” **The Guardian**

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CHILDREN'S CONCERT “Musical Explorers”

For children aged 4-12 and their parents

Pianist Clare Hammond presents a programme designed to delight children and adults alike. As she performs a selection of captivating short pieces, Clare will tell the stories that lie behind the music, ask the audience to solve puzzles, and play musical games. Eavesdrop on an aristocratic eighteenth-century ball with Couperin, jive to Kapustin's Russian jazz fusion, and meet Ginastera's arrogant Argentinian cowboy! This programme spans four continents, four continents and numerous musical styles, opening the ears of both young and old to unfamiliar sounds in entertaining and stimulating ways.

Acclaimed as a pianist of “amazing power and panache” (*The Telegraph*), Clare Hammond is recognised for the virtuosity and authority of her performances and has developed a “reputation for brilliantly imaginative concert programmes” (*BBC Music Magazine*, ‘Rising Star’). In 2016, she won the Royal Philharmonic Society's 'Young Artist Award' in recognition of outstanding achievements.

Over the past few years, Clare has developed a series of exciting and appealing programmes for children and their parents. In recent years she has performed for mixed audiences at the Hebden Bridge Piano Festival, Bledington Festival and Newburyport Chamber Music Festival (USA). An engaging and inspiring communicator, she guides her audiences through the music allowing them to let their imaginations run wild.

SAMPLE PROGRAMME

25' music, 20' stories, games and dances!

François Couperin - La Bersan, from *Pièces de Clavecin*, 6e ordre

Unshuk Chin - Toccata

Ludwig van Beethoven - ‘Pathétique’ Sonata, third movement

Maurice Ravel - Menuet from the *Sonatine*

Sergei Lyapunov - ‘Tempête’ from *12 Études d'Exécution Transcendante*

Alberto Ginastera - The Dance of the Arrogant Cowboy

Frédéric Chopin - ‘Harp’ Study, Op. 25 No. 1

Nikolai Kapustin - Study in minor seconds, Op. 68 No. 1

MASTERCLASS / PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP

After the concert, Clare could give a masterclass or performance workshop for children who are studying piano. This gives them a chance to perform in a supportive environment and receive constructive feedback. Clare aims to open discussion up to the floor so that the children become engaged both as performers and as listeners.

More information available online at:

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