

SAMPLE PROGRAMMES

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 1

MOZART
Piano Sonata No. 9 in D major, K. 311 (16')

TCHAIKOVSKY
Album for the Young (27')

INTERVAL

DEBUSSY
Children's Corner (16')

BOULANGER, Lili
Trois morceaux pour piano (8')

RACHMANINOV
Etudes-tableaux, Op. 33 (21')

Programme 2

HAYDN
Keyboard Sonata No. 60 in C major, Hob XVI:50 (16')

SCHUMANN, R.
Humoreske in B flat major, Op. 20 (27')

INTERVAL

BRAHMS
6 Piano Pieces, Op. 118 (24')

GUBAIDULINA
Chaconne (8')

KAPUSTIN
3 Concert Etudes, Op. 40, Nos. 1, 6 and 8 (9')

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Programme 1 opens with Mozart's lively and charming Sonata in D major. Two pieces on childhood frame the interval: Tchaikovsky's *Album for the Young* and Debussy's *Children's Corner*. An intimate interlude by Lili Boulanger provides some repose before Rachmaninov's turbulent and exhilarating *Etudes-tableaux* close the programme.

In Programme 2, Haydn's Sonata in C major is profound and witty by turns while Schumann's *Humoreske* is an ambiguous work of rare beauty. Brahms' passionate piano pieces precede Gubaidulina's imposing and stirring *Chaconne*. Kapustin's jazzy etudes provide a scintillating end to the programme.

"This superb British pianist is easily up to the challenge"
Peter Burwasser, **Fanfare (USA)**

"skill, inspiration, clarity and an extraordinarily meticulous performance"
Artem Avatinian, **Gramophone Magazine Russia**



Clare Hammond

piano

“Amazing power and panache” **Daily Telegraph**

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

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HIGHLIGHTS 2014-16

- Winner of the **Royal Philharmonic Society’s ‘Young Artist’ Award**, which celebrates outstanding achievement in 2015.
- Performance with the **Philharmonia** at the **Royal Festival Hall** in December 2016.
- Curating a series of three concerts at the Belfast International Arts Festival for **BBC Radio 3’s Lunchtime Concert Series** in October 2016.
- 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.
- Three discs released with **BIS Records** to international critical acclaim.
- Debut recitals for **‘Chopin and his Europe’** and the **Warsaw Autumn International Festival of Contemporary Music** in Poland in 2014.

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 Duchon, **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 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.”

The Guardian, Purcell Room, Guy Dammann