

Serious Smile

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 13, 2020

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Trinity-Saint Paul's Centre, 427 Bloor Street West Cory Hamm, piano | Nicole Ge Li, erhu

THURSDAY MARCH 26, 2020

Recent Works for Erhu and Piano by:

Dorothy Chang (Canada 1970) | **Alice Ping Yee Ho** (Hong Kong/Canada 1964)

Terri Hron (Canada 1977) | **Jocelyn Morlock** (Canada 1969)

Serra Hwang (Canada) | Angelique Po (Canada)

Somei Satoh (Japan 1947) | Ping Gao (China)

Michael Finnissy (UK 1946) | Roydon Tse (Hong Kong/Canada 1991)

SUNDAY MAY 31, 2020

Matthias Pintscher

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Matthias Pintscher (Germany 1971) - whirling tissue of light for solo piano (2013)

Jaehyuck Choi (South Korea 1994) - *dust of light* for ensemble (2019)

Pintscher - *Uriel* for cello and piano (2011)

Olga Neuwirth (Austria 1968) - *Hooloomoloo* for ensemble (1996/97)

Pintscher - *celestial object 1* for trumpet and ensemble (2009)

The Board of Directors of New Music Concerts (NMC) and its Founding Artistic Director, Robert Aitken, are pleased to welcome to the NMC team Brian Current as Co-Artistic Director

We invite you to stay tuned for celebrations of NMC on the occasion of its 50th anniversary in the 2020/21 season and for exciting announcements of NMC's vision for the future. For more information on Brian and Adam, please see the official press releases on the NMC web site at https://tinyurl.com/y6drxtga

and Adam Scime as General Manager. Together with the Board they will lead us into an exciting future of celebrating the diverse voices of new chamber music in the 21st century.

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Greetings from our Co-Artistic Directors

For 48 years I have welcomed our audience with a greeting on the annual NMC brochure. There were several years when our co-founder Norma Beecroft joined me. Now I am pleased to add Brian Current as co-artistic director to share in this greeting. The 2019-2020 season, and our next, the 50th, are being programmed by both of us. We hope you will find them challenging and enjoyable and an indication of where the future seasons will take New Music Concerts. — Robert Aitken, c.m.

Welcome to NMC! It is a tremendously exciting season for us as we celebrate the vast and important accomplishments of the organization over the past fifty years while looking towards an exciting and diverse future. We commemorate the milestones of both Udo Kasemets' centenary as well as landmark flute works by some of the world's most respected composers who were inspired by the artistry of our founding director. Along with these historic pieces, we introduce the important new voices of Keiko Devaux, Corie Rose Soumah, Brandon Chow and Jaehyuck Choi, as well as the latest innovations in performance alongside electronic music. Also, come hear our outstanding guests, including vocal improviser Gabrielle Dharmoo, Vancouver's Piano Erhu Project and the eminent guest conductor, Matthias Pintscher, the Music Director of the Ensemble Intercontemporain, widely considered to be the world's leading contemporary music ensemble. All in all, another banner year for NMC and we can't wait to share it with you! - Brian Current

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Udo Kasemets - 4'33" Fractals for any instrument (2000)

Udo Kasemets - *Future is past . . . is . . . now* for four or more musicians (1996)

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Marie Pelletier (Canada 1959) - *Han No. 3* (1992)

Derek Charke (Canada 1974) - Oikos Ecos (2010)

Alice Ping Yee Ho (Hong Kong/Canada 1964) - Angst (2000)

James Rolfe (Canada 1961) - *Pirate Song* (2017)

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