



THE DANISH CLARINET TRIO

The Danish Clarinet Trio was established in 2016 by three of the leading chamber musicians in Scandinavia, all members of the world-renowned Ensemble MidtVest: Tommaso Lonquich (clarinet), Jonathan Slaatto (cello) and Martin Qvist Hansen (piano). The trio is driven as much by new research and discoveries as by musical excellence and vibrancy. The New York Times has praised its 'undercurrents of urgency' and 'brilliant effects'.

The Trio has excelled in staples of the clarinet trio repertoire by Beethoven and Brahms while shining a light on neglected or unknown scores, introducing audiences the world over to works by Danish composers Vagn Holmboe and Per Nørgård to name but two. The trio has recorded works by both composers for the Danish label Dacapo and has appeared on tour in Canada, Italy, Brazil, and the UK.

Between them, the Danish Clarinet Trio's members are laureates of the ARD Competition in Munich, the young artist's scheme of the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center and the prestigious BBC New Generation Artists scheme. With Ensemble MidtVest, the ensemble has appeared on BBC Radio and the Danish network DR, and recorded for the German record label CPO. In 2018, the trio was invited to reside at the BBC's Belfast International Arts Festival as Ensemble-in-Residence.

In the coming season, the Danish Clarinet Trio will give concerts in the USA, UK, Germany, Iceland and Norway as well as at home in Denmark. Future plans include the world premiere, with the renowned professional chamber choir Ars Nova Copenhagen, of a new oratorio for clarinet trio and voices by the Danish composer Peter Bruun.

The Danish Clarinet Trio embraces the flexibility of the larger ensemble that gave birth to it. With partners including the violinist Nicolas Dautricourt,

violist Simon Rowland-Jones and percussionist Johannes Fischer, it can expand to encompass repertoire and configurations of all kinds.