
Zappa in Recital

Monday 8 February 7pm – Salon

Presented by Melbourne Recital Centre and Fat Rain Music

Artists

Alessandra Garosi, piano

Adam Simmons, tenor saxophone, soprano saxophone, bass clarinet, contra alto clarinet

David Jones, drums, percussion

Program

Pierre Boulez

Premiere Sonata pour Piano (extract)

Frank Zappa

Music for Low Budget Orchestra

What's New in Baltimore?

Alessandra Garosi

Carillon Perdu

i) *Bruges*

ii) *Amelie*

iii) *Le Voyage*

Adam Simmons

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i) *La Parola*

ii) *Sanctus*

iii) *Anaphora*

Frank Zappa

King Kong

Eat That Question

Cletus Awreetus-Awrightus

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About the Music

Los Angeles composer, arranger, freak and jester Frank Zappa was the supreme genius of 1960s counterculture. Zappa was more than a brilliant and prolific composer. He was a new kind of composer, one who knew no stylistic barrier: he bridged rock and pop and rhythm 'n' blues and jazz and classical music. And one who knew no rules of harmony - he would play anything that made sense to him, not to a certain tradition.

Returning to Australia to present this special concert is Alessandra Garosi, an exceptional pianist of international standing based in Italy, exemplified by her work with Harmonia Ensemble (managed by Materiali Sonori), who are known for their chamber ensemble versions of the music of Frank Zappa.

Alessandra, along with master drummer David Jones and longtime collaborator Adam Simmons, share a passion for musical adventure and surprise. They showcase the strength and diversity of Zappa's compositions, with complementary works by Garosi and Simmons.

About the Artists

Italian born **Alessandra Garosi** is known for her versatility as a contemporary pianist. Despite her classical training, Alessandra has always been interested in popular, folk and cross-over music. Alessandra has collaborated with musicians such as Michael Nyman, Stefano Bollani, Harvey Sachs, Gavin Bryars, Roger Eno, Daniel Schell, Giorgio Gaslini, Damiano Santini, Kamran Khacheh and Markus Stockhausen among others. Alessandra currently lives in Tuscany and has played with Harmonia Ensemble, Arcadia Sax Quartet, Kafka Quintet, Kocani Orkestar and many others.

For more information on Alessandra, visit alessandragarosi.it

Adam Simmons is a sought after woodwind multi-instrumentalist, well known for creating the Adam Simmons Toy Band, and currently performing with Nick Tsiavos Ensemble, BOLT Ensemble, JIVIR and his popular trio, Origami. He has worked with international and major artists such as Ernest Ranglin, Nigel Kennedy, Peter Brotzmann, Spiderbait, Australian Art Orchestra, Kutcha Edwards and Gotye. Adam created and curated the Festival of Slow Music (2013-15) and in November 2015, performed 100 duets in his marathon project, *100:25:1*.

For more information on Adam, visit adamsimmons.com

David Jones is often described locally and abroad as being one of the most innovative and musical drummers in the world; a true virtuoso musician. David has performed and recorded with many great artists and bands, such as: James Morrison, John Farnham, Stevie Wonder, Tommy Emmanuel, John Denver, Marcia Hines, Allan Zavod, Don Burrows, Debra Byrne, Dame Kiri Te Kanawa, Larry Adler, Pyramid, Crossfire, AtmaSphere, Melbourne Symphony Orchestra, Sydney Symphony Orchestra, David Hobson, Tony Gould, Dragon, and many others.

For more information on David, visit davidjonesdrums.com