

LUNCHTIME CONCERT by Yoko Ono & Clélia Iruzun





4 Hands, one piano!!

Tuesday 12th March 2024 12.30 pm

Admission is free,

donations gratefully received as you leave
for Christ Church funds

Yoko Ono

The pianist Yoko Ono is much in demand as a soloist, chamber musician and teacher in the UK. She studied at the Royal Academy of Music where she won prizes and scholarships including the Leverhulme Postgraduate Studentship. Yoko has performed in major venues including the Wigmore Hall, Purcell Room and Barbican as well as many music festivals. She has made a concert tour in China, given numerous recitals and concerto appearances in Japan and performed at the National Concert Hall in Dublin with the guitarist Paul Gregory.

She has also given concerts in France, Italy, Israel, Cyprus, Switzerland and USA. She has made recordings of chamber music for Claudio Records and DKlassiscs. She enjoys playing a wide range of repertoire including works by Sussex composers. After a successful concerts in 2022 and 2023, she will be returning to Denmark to give a recital with the clarinettist Steve Dummer in March 2024.

Now based in Brighton, Yoko enjoys teaching the piano at the Royal College of Music Junior Department in London and at Roedean School in Brighton. She is a committee member of the Lunchtime Concerts at the Chapel Royal in Brighton.

".... performed with sparkling tonality, full of life and expression."

- Musica Nova

Clélia Iruzun

Clélia Iruzun's endearing artistic personality, which combines her native Brazilian spirit with her exceptional musical gifts, has enabled this much-admired London-based pianist to build an enviable reputation for her performances of a wide range of music, from the great classical repertoire to works by significant figures from across the Americas.

Clélia has performed over 30 concertos for piano and orchestra, including the great classical, romantic, Spanish and Latin American works. She initially studied at the School of Music in Rio de Janeiro before becoming an advanced student at London's Royal Academy of Music, where she won the Recital Diploma and a number of major prizes.

Clélia's busy life embraces frequent appearances across Europe, the Americas and Asia. She has performed on television and radio in many countries, including frequent broadcasts for BBC Radio 3.

She has made a number of highly successful CDs ranging from Latin American composers to concertos by Mendelssohn and the British composer Elizabeth Maconchy. Her SOMM recordings include the International Classical Music Award-nominated Piano Concertos of Albéniz and Mignone with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Jac van Steen as well as Concertos by Henrique Oswald and Saint-Saëns (No.5, Egyptian), also with the RPO and Steen, Nimrod Borenstein's Piano Concerto (dedicated to Clélia), Piano Quintet and the piano cycle Shirim and the third volume of "Treasures from the New World".

They have all been receiving enthusiastic reviews.

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Programme

MOZART- Sonata in D Major K 381

RONALDO MIRANDA- Variações Sérias

MILHAUD- Le boeuf sur le Toit

We look forward to seeing you soon, with more concerts at Christ Church throughout 2024!

Tuesday 9th April 2024 from 12.30pm to 1.30pm South Downs Folk Singers

Tuesday 14th May 2024 - from 12.30pm to 1.30pm Richard Bowen - guitarist

Tuesday 11th June 2024 – from 12.30pm to 1.30pm Brighton Guitar Quartet

<u>Tuesday 9th July 2024</u> from 12.30pm to 1.30pm **Zhanna** (pianist) **and Evelyn** (clarinet or alto saxophone)

Tuesday 13th August 2024 from 12.30pm to 1.30pm Serenata Jazz Group

Tuesday 10th September 2024 from 12.30pm to 1.30pm

Paul Gregory – Guitarist

<u>Tuesday 24th September 2024</u> from 12.30pm to 1.30pm **John Collins** - Organist

Tuesday 8th October 2024 from 12.30pm to 1.30pm Rob Campkin (Violin) and James Buckham (Piano),

Tuesday 19th November 2024 from 12.30pm to 1.30pm
The Inspired Instrumentalists