

Experience the complete works of composer Bernard Hughes for solo piano in this exceptional collaboration with pianist Matthew Mills. This eclectic collection covers over 25 years of music, featuring a range of styles and moods that are sure to captivate.

From the oldest piece dating back to Hughes' student years at Oxford to a brand new suite transforming Baroque dance forms into something surprising and new, this album is a masterpiece of composition and performance. With pieces ranging from the large-scale Strettos and Striations to little occasional pieces written for the composer's children, there is something for everyone on this album.

What truly makes this album special is the collaboration between Hughes and Mills. The two musicians have been working together for many years, resulting in a deep understanding of each other's artistic vision and an unparalleled ability to bring Hughes' compositions to life on the piano.

Mills himself is an accomplished composer, founder and owner of publishing company Wild Woods Music, whilst Hughes was appointed Composer-in-Residence at St. Paul's Girls' School after receiving his Ph.D in composition from Royal Holloway College.

Hughes' music has been widely performed and broadcast on BBC Radio 3 and across Europe. His latest commission, Birdchant, was chosen to receive its premiere by the BBC Singers at the 2021 Proms. He has composed operas, choral and vocal works, as well as piano music, to great acclaim.

BAGATELLES

Piano music by Bernard Hughes

Matthew Mills *piano*

WORKS LISTING:

Works Listing:

Song of the Walnut
Partita Contrafacta I - VII
Song of the Button
Bagatelles I - XII
Miniatures I - XI
Three Studies I - III
O du Liebe meiner Liebe
Strettos and Striations
Cradle Song

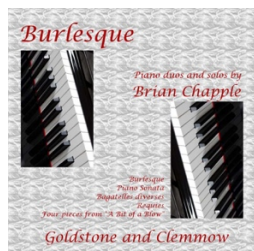


Preview Track:

Bagatelles – IV. Footprints

<https://youtu.be/NrGtx0Hb4TA>

Linked Titles:



Burlesque – Brian Chapple Piano Music
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includes 'Bagatelles Diverses'

"Certainly a find for those that love to discover the new. Goldstone and Clemmow bring [Chapple] the kind of exposure that will move him from the ranks of the cult hero. Dazzling players in their own right, this is a solid set that opens the ears whether moving through fun or serious works. Tasty" – Chris Spector, Midwest Record

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RELEASE DATE: June 9th, 2023

Marketing Points

- Will appeal to fans and students of piano
- Album duration 70:51
- Recorded in Wathen Hall, London in 2022
- Premiere recording
- Detailed programme notes (English)
- Sample track on YouTube
- Available on CD and in HD digital audio

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Marketing support: ads in Fanfare, Gramophone, BBC Music, MusicWeb and Musical Opinion; extensive promo/review copy mailing; Regular posts on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and artist social media accounts. YouTube sample track. Sharing of DSP links.

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Artists: Matthew Mills – piano

Bernard Hughes - composer

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