

Trio X is one of Sweden's foremost improvisational groups. The trio's distinctive feature is exploratory and boundary-crossing music, and the experienced musicians find inspiration in many genres. Lennart Simonsson, Per V Johansson, and Joakim Ekberg started collaborating in 2002, and since then they have made several recordings, worked with numerouswell-known artists, and toured in Sweden and abroad.

Lennart Simonsson, piano Per V Johansson, double bass, electric bass Joakim Ekberg, drums

"In our efforts to find repertoire, we noticed that the principle for selection is rather similar regardless of genre. You play the music you like; playing without pleasure seldom leads to good music. It's sometimes said that jazz musicians use a composition merely as an excuse to improvise. There's a good deal of truth to that statement, but the improvisation is nevertheless greatly influenced by the basic material. In some cases we also allow ourselves considerable artistic license, but we usually try to harmonize with and sometimes even augment the composer's original idea."

Träumerei Trio X of Sweden

- 1 Träumerei From Kinderscenen op 15
- 2 Vid Frösö kyrka / At Frösö Church From Frösö Flowers
- 3 Sound the Trumpet, Beat the Drum Welcome Ode for James II
- 4 Aria From The Goldberg Variations
- 5 Promenade From Pictures at an Exhibition
- 6 Moonlight Sonata Sonata No 14 op 27, 1st Movement
- 7. Roslagsvår / Swedish Polka © Gehrmans Musikförlag AB, Stockholm
- 8 Boléro
- 9. Largo From Preludes op 28
- 10. Lacrimosa From Requiem K 626 / Drick ur ditt glas Epistel No 30
- 11. Air From Orchestral Suite No 3 BWV 1068

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Wilhelm Peterson-Berger 1867-1942

Henry Purcell 1659-1695

Johann Sebastian Bach 1685-1750

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Hugo Alfvén 1872-1960

Maurice Ravel 1875-1937 Frédéric Chopin 1810-1849

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart 1756-1791

Carl-Michael Bellman 1740-1795

Johann Sebastian Bach 1685-1750

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