

# APARTMENT HOUSE

The acclaimed group, created by cellist Anton Lukoszevieze in 1995, has been captivating audiences with performances of avant-garde and experimental music all over the World, from Moscow to Vancouver and from Barcelona to Vilnius, for over 25 years. Performances have included tours of Russia, USA, Canada and a nine-concert series in Melbourne, Australia. In 2012 they received a Royal Philharmonic Society Award for outstanding contribution to chamber music.

The ensemble has been a firm fixture on the British concert scene, with regular residencies at Café Oto and a position as Associate Ensemble at the Wigmore Hall. Apartment House is the most frequently featured UK ensemble in the history of the Huddersfield Contemporary Music Festival and its 2011 concert of music by John Cage sold out the Queen Elizabeth Hall, Southbank Centre. The ensemble has made a substantial number of live and studio recordings for BBC Radio 3 as well as live recordings for many European stations including Danish Radio DR, Swedish Radio 2, WDR Cologne, ORTF Austria, Radio France and Deutschlandfunk, Berlin.

Since its creation it has championed music by emerging or undeservedly little-known composers and has commissioned over 100 new works. Highlights along the way include Jennifer Walshe's radical 'Barbie' opera XXX\_LIVE\_NUDE\_GIRLS!!!, with performances in six countries, and Saskia Moore's Dead Symphony, a fusion of social documentary, art, biological science and music on near death experiences. Notable portrait events have featured composers Christian Wolff, John Cage, Morton Feldman, Luc Ferrari, Christopher Fox, Clarence Barlow, Laurence Crane, Helmut Oehring, David Behrman, Linda Catlin Smith and Richard Ayres.

Unusually for a new music ensemble, Apartment House is equally at home at classical music venues (Wigmore Hall, Southbank Centre), crossover venues (Cafe Oto), art galleries (Serpentine Galleries, Turner Contemporary, Whitechapel Gallery) and international festivals (HCMF, MaerzMusik, Wien Modern, Ultima, Witten New Music Days),

demonstrating its appeal to a wide range of audiences.

Over the years Apartment House has gradually increased its recording output, focusing on key releases by experimental composers such as George Mačiunas and Laurence Crane, which have received widespread acclaim ('compellingly beautiful' The Guardian). The group has long term relationship with the UK label Another Timbre, releasing albums by Jim O'Rourke, Joseph Kudirka, James Saunders, Chiyoko Slavnic, Linda Catlin Smith, John Cage, Olivier Messiaen, Cassandra Miller, Adrian Demoč, Luiz Henrique Yudo and Martin Arnold.