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FILM



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BRAM VAN SAMBEEK *bassoon*

BBT Award 2011

IN THE FACE OF THE WIND A BOLD BASSONIST PRESSES ON

Dutch bassoonist Bram van Sambeek is a man of gritty determination who relishes challenge and embraces innovation in his bid to master the complexities of his bassoon. As a chamber musician, teacher and soloist, he is devoted to finding ways to show all the colours of his instrument and free it from misconceptions about its versatility. Our film shows how he stimulates his daily routine of practice and reed-making with constant experimentation, a boundless variety of musical collaboration – and running against the wind.

On 6 December 2014 he performs the world premiere of a new concerto, *Mana*, written for him by Finnish composer Sebastian Fagerlund, with the Lahti Symphony Orchestra conducted by Okko Kamu. BBT co-commissioned the work with the Lahti and Gothenburg Symphony Orchestras and is also supporting a BIS recording of the new work, with the Bassoon Concerto by Kalevi Aho and more solo works by Fagerlund.

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WORLD PREMIERE / NEW COMMISSION



EVENT

ERIK BOSGRAAF *recorder*

BBT Award 2009

Dutch recorder player Erik Bosgraaf has skilfully applied his BBT award funds to a large range of projects including recordings, new instruments and new commissions. His third BBT-supported commission is a Recorder Concerto by fellow countryman Willem Jeths which he premieres at Amsterdam's Royal Concertgebouw on 20 December 2014 with the Dutch Radio Philharmonic conducted by Markus Stenz. Jeths describes the work as one of his most personal and biographical compositions, inspired by the innocence and beauty of the instrument. Read Bosgraaf's blog describing the emotion and nostalgia echoed in the work.

[Read Erik Bosgraaf's BBT blog >>](#)

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CD RELEASE



LEONARD ELSCHENBROICH

PROKOFIEV
ALEXEI GRINYUK

CD RELEASE

LEONARD ELSCHENBROICH *cello*

BBT Fellowship 2008

Following his acclaimed debut album for ONYX of Rachmaninov and Shostakovich cello sonatas, Elschenbroich teams up again with his longstanding chamber music partner, pianist Alexei Grynyuk, for their second CD together, featuring works by Prokofiev and Kabalevsky. The album includes a live recording of Dmitri Kabalevsky's Cello Concerto No.2 with the Netherlands Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Andrew Litton at the Concertgebouw in Amsterdam in February 2014. ONYX 4122 Release date November 2014.

[Listen to excerpts from the CD >>](#)

ARTIST WEBSITE



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MARK SIMPSON *clarinet/composer*

BBT Fellowship 2014

Mark Simpson used part of his BBT Fellowship to commission a website from Redwire Design. The site is an impressive showcase of the many compositions, recordings and videos that he has already produced in his multi-faceted career as composer, clarinettist and conductor.

www.marksimpsonmusic.com >>

BLOGS

by **ALEC FRANK-GEMMILL**

WHISTLE AND FLUTE FOR BBT HORN PLAYER

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by **KATE WHITLEY**

A LITTLE ME TIME

KATE WHITLEY (BBT Special Award 2014) takes time out on BBT...

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