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Lunchtime Recital Series

Saturday 18 March 2023 |
13.05

Shirley Ly | Composer | Piano
Minsi Yang Johnson | Violin
Patrick Tapio Johnson | Cello

1. Joys of Spring
2. *Spring Fantasy*
3. **Falling Leaves**
4. *Waltz of the Cats*
5. **Cats Lullaby**
6. *Carnival of the Cats*
7. **Virtually**
8. *Midnight Swans*



9. **Ocean Redemption**
10. *Sailing Waters*
11. **London Strive**
12. *Sweet Reverie*
13. **Swallows Silhouette**
14. *Dawn in Berlin*
15. **Amsterdam**
16. *Vagabond's Tale*





Shirley Ly is a self-taught contemporary classical music composer from Greenwich, London in the UK. She has produced two albums, which feature 21 pieces composed for solo piano, duets, trios, and quartets: **Blossom** and **Impetus**. Her music has been played around half a million times across more than 100 countries around the world spanning six continents and is described to be a bridge between classical, romantic, and minimalist music with Eastern and jazz elements. Her music aims to capture reflections on life experiences relating to nature (i.e., swallows' journeys to their nests, the seasons, swans), living in London, dance, relationships with family and other loved ones, travel (i.e. to Berlin, Amsterdam), and dreams. Some of the pieces performed today are from her new albums, **9 Pieces About Cats** and **Paradise**, to be released. The album, **9 Pieces About Cats** consist of pieces inspired by her four mischievous cats in London, and **Paradise** focuses on the beauty of the ocean and its diverse marine life, inspired by experiences sailing, surfing and diving in the sea.

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Minsi Yang Johnson is a violinist from China, who started learning the violin at the age of 6. She has worked regularly with all of the major New Zealand orchestras and ensembles, including New Zealand Symphony Orchestra, Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra, Auckland Chamber Orchestra and NBR National Opera, as well as major UK orchestras i.e. the Philharmonia Orchestra, the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra.



Patrick Tapio Johnson is a cellist from the US, where his life as a musician began in the Scottish town of Dunfermline. He has worked regularly with all of the major UK orchestras, including the London Philharmonic Orchestra, the Philharmonia Orchestra, the Hanover Band, and the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra; and as a member of Southbank Sinfonia, the Orchestra of the Royal Opera House, the BBC Concert Orchestra, and the Academy of St-Martin-in-the-Fields, as well as performing in the BBC Proms.

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Please note the **change** to **NEXT WEEK'S** concert - there will be **NO SATURDAY LUNCHTIME RECITAL** |

The recital will take place on **FRIDAY 24 MARCH | 13.05** **instead.**



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| NEXT WEEK |

Thursday 23 March 2023 | 13.05
Trinity Laban Chamber Musicians | Harp Duos

FRIDAY 24 March 2023 | 13.05
Cristiana Achim | Piano

