# THE ANGLO-FINNISH SOCIETY SPRING CONCERT

## In the presence of H.E. the Ambassador of Finland and Mrs Huhtaniemi

With the kind support of Finland Society (Suomi-Seura) and the Embassy of Finland





Laura Mikkola, Piano

## Programme

**Einojuhani Rautavaara** Cantus Arcticus, Concerto for Birds and Orchestra Piano arrangement by Peter Lönnqvist

Ludwig van Beethoven Sonata for Cello and Piano No 3 in A Major, op.69



Tuomas Ylinen, Cello

Intermission

Jean Sibelius Malinconia for Cello and Piano op.20 in D Minor

Johannes Brahms Sonata for Cello and Piano in E Minor, op.38



## Sunday 26 April 2015, 4pm St Mark's Church, Hamilton Terrace, London NW8 9UT

## **Tickets**

**Advance purchase internet price:** £10 for adults, £5 for children under 18 and full-time students under 25. Tickets can be purchased at **https://eventbrite.co.uk/event/16088486095**. Booking fee applies.

**Cash on the door:** £12 for adults, £5 for children under 18 and full-time students under 25.

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## Ludwig van Beethoven

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I Allegro, ma non troppo II Scherzo. Allegro molto III Andagio cantabile – Allegro vivace

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Malinconia for Cello and Piano op.20 in D Minor

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I Allegro non troppo II Allegretto quasi Menuetto III Allegro

## Laura Mikkola, Piano

The Finnish pianist, Laura Mikkola, studied at the Sibelius Academy in Helsinki and subsequently at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia and at the University of Indiana, Bloomington.

She has received many notable awards including: Second Prize and the Audience Prize in the prestigious Queen Elisabeth Piano Competition of Brussels in 1995; First Prize in the International Unisa Transnet Piano Competition in Pretoria, Republic of South Africa in 1994; First Prize in the Maj Lind Piano Competition in Helsinki in 1992; First Prize at the Maurice Ravel Piano Competition in St.Jean-de-Luz, France, 1988; Young Artist Prize in Finland in 1995.

She has 62 piano concertos in her repertoire and has performed all over the world with many of the finest orchestras and conductors. She has made many recordings, both of concertos and chamber music, and since 2003 she has been the Artistic Director of the litti Music Festival in Finland.

#### Tuomas Ylinen, Cello

The Finnish cellist, Tuomas Ylinen, studied at the Sibelius Academy with Professors Hannu Kiiski and Marko Ylönen. He has also studied with Professor Young-Chang Cho at the Folkwang Hochschule in Essen. In addition, he has participated in the masterclasses of Truls Mörk, Gary Hoffman, Steven Isserlis and Frans Helmersson.

Ylinen won the Turku Cello Competition in 2002 and in 2004 he was a prize-winner in the International Pablo Casals Cello Competition in Kronberg, Germany. He is the principal cellist at the Helsinki Philharmonic Orchestra and has performed as a soloist with all the major Finnish orchestras and also in chamber music ensembles, notably the Inkinen Trio. He has performed throughout Europe, United States, Japan, South Korea, China and United Arab Emirates.

Ylinen also teaches at the Sibelius Academy. He plays a Carlo Giuseppe Testore cello from 1718 owned by the Finnish Cultural Foundation.

## How to find us

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