

BREATH OF LIFE

with clarinettist Annelien Van Wauwe & Carousel Chamber Music Ensemble



Annelien Van Wauwe turns heads all around the world as both a clarinet player and fervent yoga practitioner. In an interview for the BBC, she said: "There is this big cliché where people think you sit on a mat, say 'om' and forget everything around you. But an important part of yoga is about the life force." This breath of life is the focus of this program with the Carousel Chamber Music Ensemble, culminating in Wim Henderickx's clarinet concerto Sutra, inspired by the principles of yoga. This chamber music version of Sutra for Annelien and Carousel was the last work Wim Henderickx completed before his unexpected death in December 2022. The composer wanted to conduct this program himself. Although his soul left us too soon, his breath of life still flows through this program.

This concert programme can be combined with a musical breath meditation in which Annelien teaches participants breathing techniques from yoga during a workshop. She combines these exercises with live excerpts from Sutra on the basset clarinet and electronics.

Trailer: Sutra Recording: <https://youtu.be/VzFcFr5GMMA>

Video Excerpt world premiere Glasgow: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VzFcFr5GMMA>

With **Carousel Chamber Music Ensemble**



Annelien Van Wauwe, solo-basset clarinet

Juri Vallentin, oboe

Jill Jeschek, flute

Marceau Lefèvre, bassoon

Premysl Vojta, horn

Alexandra Soumm

Samuel Nemtanu, violin

Mihai Cocea, viola

Louis Rodde, cello

Wies de Boevé, double-bass

Oana Zamfir-Cocea, piano

Agnès Clément, harp

TBC, conductor

Jelle Tassyns, electronics

Programme (60 min. without interval)

Wim **Henderickx** - 2 nocturnes for flute, violin, viola, cello and double bass

Juri **Vallentin** - breath.respiro for solo oboe and electronics

Giacinto **Scelsi** - KO-THA, 3 Dances of Shiva for double bass, Nr. 1

Wim **Henderickx** - SUTRA, concerto for basset clarinet and electronics (arr. for ensemble) *

* world premiere: 8 October 2023 - Musica Divina Festival, Lier Belgium

MUSICAL BREATHING MEDITATION

with clarinettist Annelien Van Wauwe



A one hour workshop with clarinettist and certified yoga instructor Annelien Van Wauwe containing yoga breathing techniques, meditations for beginners and live music fragments from Sutra by Wim Henderickx for basset clarinet solo in A and electronics. The clarinet concerto which Wim Henderickx wrote for Annelien Van Wauwe is based on the principles of yoga. The first movement of the concerto was given the name 'Pranayama' or 'Breath of Life'. It is, as it were, the breath waking up: the perfect starting point for this workshop.

No previous experience is required for this workshop.

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in memoriam Wim Henderickx (1962 - 2022)
with clarinettist Annelien Van Wauwe & CAROUSEL String Quartet



Carousel Chamber Music Ensemble

Annelien Van Wauwe, basset clarinet
Alexandra Soumm & Samuel Nemtanu, violin
Mihai Cocea, viola
Louis Rodde, cello
Jelle Tassyns - Arco Music, live electronics

Programme (60 min. without interval)

Wim **Henderickx** - from SUTRA for basset clarinet & electronics:

II. Dhyana: meditation

Arvo **Pärt** - Fratres for string quartet

Wim **Henderickx** - from SUTRA for basset clarinet & electronics:

IV. Samadhi: intense spiritual union

Wolfgang Amadeus **Mozart** - Quintet for clarinet and string quartet in A Major KV 581

I. Allegro

II. Larghetto

III. Menuetto - Trio

IV. Allegretto con Variazioni

WIM HENDERICKX: SUTRA (2021)

concerto for basset clarinet, orchestra and (optional) electronics
Dedicated to Annelien Van Wauwe



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Recorded for Pentatone: November 2021 - NDR Radiophilharmonie / Andrew Manze
World Premiere: 31 March 2022 - BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra / Martyn Brabbins
Belgian Premiere: 21 September 2022 - NDR Radiophilharmonie / Andrew Manze
Dutch Premiere: 10 January 2023 - Residentieorkest den Haag / Anja Bihlmaier
German Premiere: 3 February 2024 - Dresdner Philharmonie / Andrew Manze

Length: 32 minutes

Scoring: 2 Flutes (2nd also Piccolo), 2 Oboes (2nd also English Horn), 2 Clarinets in Bb, 2 Bassoons (2nd also Contrabassoon), 2 Horns in F (also normal mute), 2 Trumpets (also normal mute, harmon mute, whisper mute) 2 Trombones (also normal mute, plunger, harmon mute), Timpani, Percussion (3 players), Sampler (trigger for the electronics), optional Clarinet solo (amplified if possible), Strings, preferably 12, 10, 8, 6, 4

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