

**Quatuor Anches Hantées** 

### PÉRA SANS DI It is a well-known adage that those who are absent are always wrong. What is left of opera without the singers who carry it singers who carry it to the end of their voices? Everything! For it is also the role of the orchestra to carry the music of the composer. Whether it praises their performance with applause with applause or sanction it with boos, the audience, then and now, often reserves its attention the headliners, paying little attention to the libretto the libretto or even the music. We propose to repair this injustice here and to rehabilitate all these beautiful melodies unheard of melodies... Die Fledermaus, Overture La Traviata, Act III, Prelude Die Königin von Saba, Magische Töne Rusalka, Song to the moon Don César de Bazan, Entr'acte Sévillana Samson and Dalila, Bacchanale Pagliacci, Intermezzo La Gioconda, Prelude Suor Angelica, Intermezzo La Gioconda, Dance of the Hours



Snegourotchka, Dance of the Clowns

# MUSIC, BALLET SHOES & SNEAKERS!

Cheryomushki, Polka and Galop

The influence of Strauss? We know his waltzes, his polkas, his operettas but what did he leave, apart from his work, of his creativity? Transmitted? Initiated? Many of his contemporaries and many of his successors have been fascinated by this outstanding melodist, admired him, was inspired by him. Brahms, Verdi, Richard Strauss but also Webern and Berg. Let's try to link them to each other, let's add Lehàr, Helmessberger, Lumbye and let us try to make emerge from all these aesthetics the imprint Strauss.

Let's enter his dance, let's leave the orchestra pit and let's mix our bodies with those of the dancers, whether they are there or whether we imagine them to create a choreography that tells us a story about Strauss, of his disciples, of those who revered him.

His music has brought dances from the suburbs of Vienna to the to the greatest courts of Europe. Here are four musicians accompanied or not by three dancers in a hip-hop, classical and contemporary ballet, questioning the permeability of genres.

Program in two versions: quartet alone or choreographed version with the company "les Étoiles Occitanes".



The members of the Quartet, all from the French School of Winds, are very concerned about the idea of transmission. The master classes are adapted to all kinds of levels. The days revolve around ensemble music sessions, breathing workshops and rhythm workshops.

# MALIMCONIA









With Malinconia, the quartet imagined that the the first great string quartet composers had modern clarinets at their disposal. Mozart have continued to write for clarinet ensembles after his clarinet ensembles after his Adagio in B flat major k 4II for 2 clarinets and 3 basset horns? How would Beethoven have taken up clarinets if the bass clarinet had already existed?

"Malinconia is about finding our roots. Not those of clarinetists but those of a quartet, an authentic quartet, because the history of the clarinet quartet, is to be born as an orphan, without a tutelary figure, without a model."

Nicolas Châtelain Quatuor Anches Hantées, october 2019

#### WOLFGANG AMADEUSMOZART

String Quartet n°15 in D minor op. 10 n°2

PHILIPPE HERSANT

**Huit Esquisses** 

LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN

String Quartet n°6 in B flat Major, opus 18 n°6

"The elegance of the Anches Hantées Quartet is in Mozart's quartet  $n^{\circ}15$  (...)"

"Bouncing syncopations, sonic purity and variety of articulations guide the interpretation of the quartet op 18 n°6 of Beethoven (...)" "8 Esquisses by Philippe Hersant: Organic and radiant, the four clarinets widen the palette of their timbres, summoning the listener in an evocative and poetic imaginary folklore."

Classica (september 2020, Fabienne BOUVET)

Driven by the impetus given by the creation of Alfred Bruneau's Romance for clarinet quartet and by the creation of the Malinconia program, the Quatuor continues its quest for History, for roots. By drawing from the classical scores of the string quartet, the Quatuor Anches Hantées continues its immersion in the its immersion in the great repertoire of chamber music and explores the possibilities possible of its formation.

#### LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN

String Quartet n°1 in F Major opus 18 n°1

Allegro con brio Adagio affetuoso ed appassionato Scherzo. Allegro molto Allegro

#### RICHARD DUBUGNON

Lettre à l'Immortelle Bien-Aimée

commissioned by QAH world premiere

#### FANNY HENSEL-MENDELSSOHN

String Quartet in E Flat Major
Adagio ma non troppo
Allegretto
Romanze
Allegro molto vivace



The quartet recorded a large discography. including transcriptions and creations. The 10th album will be recorded in 2023, with works by Fanny Mendelssohn, Beethoven and Richard Dubugnon, with "Lettre à l'Immortelle Bien-Aimée" dedicated to Quatuor Anches Hantées.

## Quatuor Anches Hantées

20 years old!

An experience and an inexhaustible ardour, the pillars of a daring and innovative group, constantly creating wonder and excitement in its audience; an audience that receives with open arms the interpretations of four musicians driven by the pleasure of playing, giving, sharing and inventing.

An exceptional quartet, the Quatuor Anches Hantées has been touring French and international concert halls for 20 years. With a repertoire of outstanding transcriptions and creations, the quartet is a model of elegance and stands out for the undeniable qualities of each of its members as well as for its artistic cohesion, which is one of the most accomplished in the world of chamber music

With Malinconia in 2020, a new dimension is given to the ensemble. The conquest of the great repertoire of the string quartet allows it to quench its thirst for excellence and pushes it to the highest level, seeing it being awarded 5 Diapasons and 4 Classica Stars.

"The Quatuor Anches Hantées demonstrates extraordinary flexibility and bends to the most astonishing technical demands, in remarkable transcriptions of string quartets by Mozart and Beethoven."

Patrick Szersnovicz, Diapason Magazine

Driven by this success, the musicians will propose, at the end of this anniversary year, Fanny M., a new opus borrowed from the strings and enriched with a creation by Richard Dubugnon: Lettre à l'Immortelle Bien Aimée.

20 years already and an energy always as overflowing! The QAH will continue to be on all fronts!

Creation, transmission and cultural action will be at the heart of this particular season. Also turned towards the international horizon, the musicians will export the "French touch" which is so familiar to them in Europe (Denmark) and on the other side of the Atlantic (USA, Canada).

« A very original formation, four clarinetists who have the idea to put their strengths together to create a very particular repertoire. »

Jean-François Zygel

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