Concert Report-4

Holy Trinity Church in Gosport, Hampshire, 3rd March 2019

Violin: Fumi Otsuki, Piano: Sarah Kershaw

Edvard Grieg: Violin Sonata No.2 Op.13

Gabriel Faure: Berceuse Op.16

James MacMillan; After the Tryst

Ralph Vaughan Williams: Fantasia on Greensleeves

Frank Bridge: "Country Dance" from 4 Short Pieces for violin and piano H.104

Ralph Vaughan Williams: No.1 and 2 from 6 Studies in English folksong

Toru Takemitsu: Distance de fee

Massenet: Meditation from Thais

An Irish folksong (transcribed by Fritz Kreisler): Londonderry Air.

I am sincerely grateful that the artistic director at the Holy Trinity church in Gosport near Portsmouth, Maggie McMurray wrote a marvelous review for my concert as bellow:

Fumi Otsuki: beautiful to watch and to listen to . . .

And we weren't disappointed! Today's concert was utterly splendid: Fumi's wonderfully varied programme brought us very familiar and popular pieces such as 'Fantasia on Greensleeves' and 'Londonderry Air' and others that were completely new to us, including James MacMillan's 'After the Tryst', seemingly without pattern and leaving an impression of chaotic emotions, and Toru Takemitsu's 'Distance de Fee', a Japanese composition described by Fumi as similar to a landscape by Picasso; both of which challenged our thinking and extended our repertoire. Fumi's emotional performance was hugely appreciated by us all: as beautiful to watch as it was to listen to. We thank Fumi and his accompanist, Sarah Kershaw, for a memorable concert this afternoon!

https://holytrinitygosport.co.uk/fumi-otsuki-beautiful-to-watch-and-to-listen-to/