

LUKÁŠ JANATA

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Lukáš Janata (born in Česká Lípa, '95) is a Czech composer, performer, and educator. His music has been performed throughout Europe, in numerous places in the USA, and in UAE. Lukáš has been commissioned by the San Francisco Symphony; San Francisco Symphony's SoundBox; New York Cantori for a cantata; Bluven Duo; Punkt Contemporary Choir for The Internationale Koorwedstrijd Vlaanderen, held in Belgium; Aries Percussion Ensemble and Jablonova Youth String Orchestra for the occasion of a world-class Concerto Bohemia held in Prague.

Lukáš is on the Composition Faculty at The Walden School and San Francisco Conservatory Of Music Pre-College.

His composition mentors include John Corigliano, David Conte (MM '19, San Francisco Conservatory Of Music), and Otomar Kvěch (DiS (BA) '17, Prague Conservatoire). He has participated in masterclasses with composers George Lewis, Allain Gaussin, Liviu Marinescu, Dimitris Maronidis, Michel Merlet, and Ériks Ešenvalds, and has collaborated with composer Nico Muhly, and conductors Ragnar Bohlin and Mark Shapiro. Having grown up singing in an award-winning children's choir Severáček, with whom he performed all over Europe, Lukáš also continues his activities in choral singing. Currently, he sings with the San Francisco Symphony Chorus and is a cantor and section leader at St Monica's Catholic Church in San Francisco. He is a Visiting Artist and Lecturer at the Millennium School and with pianist Tin Yi Wong has lectured at the California State University, East Bay. He has taught piano and music education at the Willow Creek Academy, Mid Peninsula Music Academy, and the California Conservatory of Music. Apart from composing, he is deeply committed to uniting musical communities. He is the founder and music director of Mouthscape, a mixed chamber choir that champions new works by composers within the San Francisco Conservatory community. The spirit of this mission had been preceded by a similar ensemble in Prague, the mixed choir Punkt, of which he was a co-founding member in 2014.

Lukáš has received several awards, such as the Highmisth Award for CATCH (2022) (symphonic orchestra); Southwest American Prize for BABEL (2018) (symphonic orchestra); Kühn Choir of Prague Composition Award for Nová míza (2022) (SSAATTBB a cappella); International Composition Competition Riga for his Kyrie (2014) (mixed choir, piano, electronics); Czech Music Foundation Award (2017); Praemium Bohemiae (2015); or Prague Conservatoire Award with the premiere of his Sinfonia n.1 (2016).

His "MdadaZ" (2017) (SATB a cappella) commissioned by Punkt, has been awarded both at the IKV in Belgium and at the internationally acclaimed choral festival Praga Cantat. He has received the Brian Shea Fellowship for the European American Musical Alliance in Paris, France, and the maximal San Francisco Conservatory Of Music scholarship. His Sinfonia n.2 (2019) was published through the UCLA Library. Lukáš is also a versatile performer and has appeared in venues that include San Francisco Symphony's Davies Hall; Rudolfinum and Žofín in Prague; and Dresdner Philharmonie. He has been active on the jazz scene (Danilukova Trio, piano; L. Bares' Swing Orchestra, bass; OLD Dixieland, bass/double bass) as well as in contemporary classical ensembles (Grains Of Sound, Aries percussion ensemble, Punkt, Mouthscape).



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EDUCATION

Swing Orchestra of Ladislav Bareš

- Bassist, Arranger, Composer

LDOCATION	
San Francisco Conservatory Of Music Master of Music in Composition, summa cum laude - studio of David Conte	2017 - 2019
Prague Conservatoire Associate degree (BMus equivalence) in Composition, magna cum laude - studio of Otomar Kvěch	2011 - 2017
WORK EXPERIENCE	
The French-American Conservatoire San Francisco Composition Faculty	2021
The Walden School Composition Faculty	2021
San Francisco Conservatory Of Music Artistic Director of Mouthscape; Composition Faculty at the Pre-College and Cont. Ed	2020 ducation
California Conservatory of Music - Piano and musicianship instructor	2019 - 2020
The Millenium School - Guest choir conductor, lecturer	2019
Mid Peninsula Music Academy - Piano, musicianship and composition instructor	2019 - 2020
Willow Creek Academy - Piano and musicianship instructor	2019 - 2020
St. Monica's Choir - Section leader, voice instructor	2018
San Francisco Symphony Chorus - Chorister	2017
San Francisco Conservatory Library - Librarian	2017 - 2018
JBN Agency Dubai - Artistic Director, Artistic Manager in Dubai, UAE	2016
Prague Conservatoire - Accompanist, voice coach	2014 - 2016

2013 - 2016

AWARDED ACHIEVEMENTS

Highsmith Award - 1st Prize for CATCH, 2022

Kühn Choir of Prague Award - 2nd Prize for Nová míza for SSAATTBB a cappella, 2022

Kaleidoscope UCLA - publishing of Sinfonia n.2, 2020

Praga Cantat - Grand Award for MdadaZ for SATB a capella performed by Punkt, 2019

Nashville Symphony Composer Lab - Honorable Award for BABEL for symphonic orchestra, 2019

PDG Tier 1, San Francisco Conservatory Of Music - for Mouthscape Choir leadership, 2018

Southwest American Prize - 2nd Prize for BABEL for symphonic orchestra, 2018

NCHF - Czech Music Foundation Award, 2017

NVTR - Foundation of Vera Trebicka-Rivnacova, 2017

Prague Conservatoire Award, performance of Sinfonia n.1, 2017

EAMA Award for Counterpoint, 2016

EAMA Brian Shea Scholarship, 2016

Praemium Bohemiae for "Kyrie for SATB, piano and electronics", 2014

International Composition Competition in Riga, Latvia, 2013

SUMMER PROGRAMS

Walden Institute, Dublin, NH, 2019

Choral Chameleon Institute, NYC, 2016

European American Musical Alliance in Paris, 2016

Composition Masterclass (Electroacoustic music) in Sigulda, Latvia, 2014

PERFORMING EXPERIENCE

St. Monica's Catholic Church, cantor, bass section leader; 2018

San Francisco Symphony Chorus, bass; 2017

Mouthscape: Contemporary Chamber Choir at the San Francisco Conservatory, founder, director; 2017

St. Monica's Choir, bass section leader, cantor; 2018

Punkt: Contemporary Chamber Choir at Prague Conservatoire, co-founder; 2014 - 2016

Swing Orchestra of Ladislav Bareš, Liberec CZ, bassist; 2013 - 2016

Aries percussion ensemble, Liberec CZ, bassist, percussionist; 2008 - 2011

Severáček, children choir, chorister; 2003 - 2010

LIST OF COMPOSITIONS, PREMIERES

ORCHESTRAL

CATCH for symphonic orchestra (2022) (October 22, 2022) ca. 11min

Sinfonia n.2 (2019) (May 12, 2019 - two piano and percussion reduction) ca. 25min

BABEL for symphonic orchestra (2018) (May 12, 2018) ca. 12min

Sinfonia n.1 (2016) (June 7, 2017) ca. 39min

LARGE ENSEMBLE

Talks concerto for violin and string orchestra (2022) ca. 18min

commissioned by ZUS Jablonova

Flux, collaborative ballet project with Nico Muhly and choreographers for chamber orchestra and choreography (2021) (Aug 12, 2021)

commissioned by the San Francisco Symphony SoundBox

καυστικός for large wind ensemble (2019) (January 21, 2019) ca. 4min

Morceau de concours for youth string orchestra (2018) (December 15, 2018) ca. 3min

commissioned by ZUS Jablonova string orchestra

Bílá růže for string orchestra, piano, solo voice and recitativ (2014) (February 16, 2015) ca. 35min

CHAMBER (2-8 PLAYERS)

XII for guitar duo (2022) (December 15th, 2022) ca. 15min

commissioned by the Bluvenduo

Kairos for oboe, violin, cello and piano (2021)

commissioned by the San Francisco Symphony

Die Streichstücke for string quartet (2019) (May 12, 2019) ca. 20min

Prosa Nuova for youth percussion ensemble Aries (2018) (December 15, 2018) ca. 7min;

commissioned by the Aries percussion ensemble

Svár a smír for saxophone and piano (2016) (June, 2016) ca. 5min

Suite "Z cest" for piano quintet (2015) (April, 2015) ca. 23min

10 small, modest miniatures for clarinet and bassoon (2014) (October, 2014) ca. 9min

Avalanche for cello, piano, three voices, tape and live electronics (2014) (July, 2014) ca. 8min

Sonata in B minor for cello and piano (2012) (June, 2013) ca. 20min

SOLC

Laments for solo guitar (2022) ca. 20min;

commissioned by Jan Stránský

Echi__ for piano solo (2017) (November 15, 2017) ca. 12min

VOCAL / VOCAL - INSTRUMENTAL

Darkness cantata for mixed choir, string quintet and Fender Rhodes (2023) ca. 50min

commissioned by the New York Cantori

Nová míza for mixed choir a capella (2020) ca. 4min

commissioned by the Punkt Contemporary Choir

Aeternum for mixed choir a capella (2018) (May 7, 2018) ca. 4min

MdadaZ for mixed choir a capella (2017) (November 17, 2017) ca. 5min;

commissioned by the Punkt Contemporary Choir

In the Night for mixed choir a capella (2016) (July, 2016) ca. 4min

Miserere mei for mixed choir a capella (2016) (June, 2016) ca. 8,5min

Psalm 130 for mixed choir and piano (2016) (unperformed) ca. 6min

Tempus for mixed choir a capella (2016) (unperformed) ca. 3min

Cycle of prayers for mixed choir and accordion (2016) (unperformed) ca. 20min

Los veinte ratones for children choir a capella (2016) (unperformed) ca. 3min

Kočár v oblacích for mixed choir a capella (2016) (December 3, 2016) ca. 5min

Kyrie for mixed choir, piano and electronics (2013) (May, 2013) ca. 5min

Felice primavera for six male voices (AATTBB) (2016) (February, 2016) ca. 7min

ART SONG

Alone for solo tenor and piano (2019) (March 20, 2019) ca. 5min

 \dots then the rest is silence. for mezzosoprano and piano (2013/2018) (April 2013, November 2018) ca. 4min

Záhořovo lože art song cycle for voice and piano (2012) (May, 2012) ca. 25min

FILM / THEATRE

OST for the theatre play Pro jednoho jelena navíc (2016) (May 26 2016) ca. ca. 80min

OST for the theatre play by A. N. Ostrovskij - Who Searches, Finds (2015) (April 27 2015) ca. 105min

Musical play about 60's in the Czechoslovakia EXPO 67 (2015) (December 18, 2015) ca. 90min

OST Vobrázky z vajglů movie soundtrack (2013) (March 11, 2013) ca. 45min