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THE CORNELIUS CARDEW CONCERTS TRUST

Call for Compositions “BORN TO SOCIETY”

SIXTH ANNUAL CONCERT IN MEMORY OF JAMES ALLEN, 2017

The Cornelius Cardew Concerts Trust (CCCT), in partnership with the Music Department of Morley College, is for the third year in succession issuing a call for compositions dedicated to the spirit of the New which Cornelius Cardew himself embodied. This year we are calling for compositions with the theme “**Born to Society**”.

We are very pleased that the Ivory Duo Piano Ensemble has once again agreed to perform. But this year they will be joined by the Quartet De Madrugada. This provides the exciting opportunity for composing new works for the unique combination of string quartet with piano duo (either piano four hands or two pianos). The new works will be performed at Morley College on Friday, **October 6, 2017**. We hope to include as many of the submitted works as possible in the concert, so please bear this in mind in terms of the length and complexity of the pieces. The CCCT, Morley College, the Ivory Duo and the Quartet De Madrugada will jointly decide on the final programme. The compositions must be submitted to be in the hands of the CCCT no later than 11:59pm on Sunday, **May 21, 2017**.

Composers in writing to this year’s theme may take further inspiration from the lines:

From every sinew of labour

From every note of love

Cornelius Cardew, as well as being an outstanding musician and composer, was a leading political figure and adherent of modern communism. The CCCT upholds his legacy of keeping in step with the requirements of the times, accepting no limitation on the human spirit and being dedicated to the creation of a new world of socialised humanity.

The concert also pays tribute to James Allen, who was the passionate and dedicated secretary of the Cornelius Cardew Concerts Trust until his death in January 2012.

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