

Taking its name from Evan Ziporyn's *Hive*, which grew out of the composer's experience as a bee-keeper, this album brings together an engaging selection of pieces for solo clarinet and clarinet ensembles of various sizes. From Piazzolla's popular tangos to Harbison's Bach/Stravinsky-inspired *Trio Sonata*, Schuller's *Duo Sonata* and Barker's *Single Six*, both jazz-inflected yet classical in spirit, to Persichetti's lyrical *Serenade*, *Clarinet Hive* is an endlessly fascinating showcase of the clarinet's expressive and virtuosic potential, as well as its wide range of subtle sonorities.

CLARINET HIVE

1-4	Astor Piazzolla (1921-1992), arr. Bruce Edwards: <i>Histoire du Tango</i> (arr. for clarinet quartet) (1986)	19:06
5-8	John Harbison (b. 1938): <i>Trio Sonata</i> (version for 2 clarinets and bass clarinet) (1994)	4:43
9-11	Gunther Schuller (b. 1925): <i>Duo Sonata</i> (1949)	10:17
12	Thomas E. Barker (1954-1988): <i>Single Six</i> (1982)	4:41
13-19	Vincent Persichetti (1915-1987): <i>Serenade No. 13, Op. 95</i> (1963)	6:04
20	Evan Ziporyn (b. 1959): <i>Hive</i> (2007)	17:06

Theodore Schoen, Bass clarinet 1-4, 6, Clarinet II 5

Laura Ardan, Clarinet I 3, 6, Clarinet II 1, 2

Ricardo Morales, Clarinet I 1, 5

Timothy Paradise, Clarinet I 2, Clarinet II 6

James Ognibene, Bassoon 1 • Evan Ziporyn, Bass clarinet 6

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