

Taking its name from Evan Ziporyn's *Hive*, which grew out of the composer's experience as a beekeeper, 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

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| 1-4 | Astor Piazzolla (1921-1992), arr. Bruce Edwards:
Histoire du Tango (arr. for clarinet quartet) (1986) ¹ | 19:06 |
| 5-8 | John Harbison (b. 1938): Trio Sonata
(version for 2 clarinets and bass clarinet) (1994) ² | 4:43 |
| 9-11 | Gunther Schuller (b. 1925): Duo Sonata (1949) ³ | 10:17 |
| 12 | Thomas E. Barker (1954-1988): Single Six (1982) ⁴ | 4:41 |
| 13-19 | Vincent Persichetti (1915-1987):
Serenade No. 13, Op. 95 (1963) ⁵ | 6:04 |
| 20 | Evan Ziporyn (b. 1959): Hive (2007) ⁶ | 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, Bass horn ¹ • Evan Ziporyn, Bass clarinet ⁶

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