

Rhomb in Silhouette

for String Quartet

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1 Diagonals, alternating

Very still, hushed, strictly in time (♩ = 60)
molto sul tasto, senza vib.

Violin 1

Violin 2

Viola

Violoncello

ppp sempre

ppp sempre

ppp sempre

ppp sempre

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A

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

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Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vc.

PROGRAMME NOTE

Rhomb in Silhouette begins in stillness, unhurried, a slow unfolding that gradually quickens, whorling with intense energy before patiently subsiding into silence; an ever-ascending melody, tracing a diagonal path across the rhomb.

Rhomb in Silhouette responds to a brass sculpture *Rhombus*, 2017, developed by the artist Germaine Kruip in collaboration with Thein Brass.

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Duration: approx. 25 minutes

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