

NATASHA BARRETT "IMPOSSIBLE MOMENTS"

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· Natasha Barrett · "Dusk's Gait" (2018)

As dusk falls, an ecosystem of fictional creatures appear, expressing their character through their gait, or in other words, the manner in which they move. "Dusk's Gait" celebrates moments of real nature that may easily expire. The composition captures many late evenings and nighttime experiences of nature, and fantasies behind the veil of darkness.

· Natasha Barrett · "Impossible Moment from Venice 2." (2023)

On September 1st 2022 I landed in Venice for the first time. Loaded with expectations about history and culture, and influenced by how Venice has featured in the literary fiction of some of our great writers, my goal was to explore this city of islands, canals and bridges. Happy to be there outside the peak tourist season, and a year after cruise ships had been banned from the lagoon, I walked, listened and recorded. The tall and narrow buildings mislead a GPS and cast you into watery dead-ends, while a blind corner may reveal a hidden diagonal bridge leading to a passage the width of a person, transporting you directly to where you had intended to go. Capturing reality seemed impossible. The sounds, the acoustics, the light, the people, and whether the concept of the Venetian as a native inhabitant still exists, created a paradox of past, present and expectations of the future. "Impossible Moments from Venice 2" reveals the outdoor city squares, a fishmonger and church bells, from many vantage points, and ends with a fortuitous recording exemplifying the clash of cultures living side-by-side in this city. The work was part of the "Reconfiguring the Landscape" research project, which was hosted at the Norwegian Academy of Music and funded by DIKU. Warm thanks to the Conservatorio di Musica B. Marcello in Venice for hosting my stay.

· Natasha Barrett · "Speaking Spaces no. 1: Heterotopia" (2021)

I no longer remember when I realised: rather than hearing a dog bark, a hawk screech, the traffic or a child, I instead heard the forest, the mountain, the rock-face and the city. The spaces were speaking with their acoustic reflections, but it was something more too. These encounters contradicted my normal

perception and became transformative experiences during my walks through the landscape, which seemed to contain more layers of meaning than immediately evident to the eye and ear. "Speaking Spaces" is a series of works that explore these alternative conceptions of common space. Without knowing what to call this first composition I stumbled across Foucault's concept of Heterotopia as a mirror, which seemed to embody much of what I was experiencing. "Speaking Spaces no. 1: Heterotopia" is a journey from a forest to a winter shoreline. "Heterotopia" was commissioned by Electric Audio Unit with support from the Norwegian Composers' Fund.

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- · 11 MAIO · 19H3O · "Sonic Rumble with Green Mustard", ópera de Vítor Rua para percussão, suporte digital, vídeo e *performance* · João Pedro Lourenço (percussão)
- · 12 MAIO · 21HOO · Humorictus Ensemble (Marina Camponês, flauta; Carla Pereira, oboé; Patrícia Silva, clarinete; Joana Maia, fagote; Kevin Cardoso, trompa) · música de Bruno Gabirro, Christopher Bochmann, György Ligeti, Luís Tinoco e Miguel Azguime
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