

## Trio Isimsiz



“...a piano trio that already has that vital combination of unanimity of ensemble and musicianship, plus plenty of individual character and vitality ....”

**Andrew McGregor, BBC Radio 3**

**Pablo Hernán Benedí** - violin  
**Michael Petrov** - cello  
**Erdem Misirlioglu** - piano

Formed in 2009 at the Guildhall School of Music & Drama, in 2015 the **Trio Isimsiz** won 1st Prize and the Audience Prize at the Trondheim Competition, and in 2017 2nd Prize at the Haydn International Competition in Vienna. They were selected for representation by Young Classical Artists Trust (YCAT) between 2013 and 2018, and in February 2018 won a Borletti-Buitoni Trust Fellowship Award.

The Trio performs widely in Europe, with highlights including recitals at the Trondheim, Stavanger, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, and Peasmarsh Festivals (broadcast by BBC Radio 3), the Kölner Philharmonie, Tivoli Concert Hall, Théâtre des Abbesses in Paris, Fundación Juan March in Madrid and Marianischer-Saal in Lucerne. Further afield, they have toured in China and Argentina.

The Trio Isimsiz are Fellows at the Guildhall. They have collaborated with Anthony Marwood, Krzysztof Chorzelski, Richard Lester and Aleksander Madzar and attended IMS Prussia Cove, working with Ferenc Rados.

During their studies, the Trio undertook residencies at the Banff Centre in Canada, Jeunesse Musicales Chamber Music, Germany and Mozarteum, Salzburg, and participated in masterclasses with Andrés Schiff, Steven Isserlis, Menahem Pressler, Thomas Riebl, Wolfgang Reddick, the Gould Piano Trio, Belcea and Takács Quartet.

Recent highlights include performances at Aldeburgh Festival's Schubertiade, Wigmore Hall, Kettle's Yard, Jersey Arts Centre, Beethoven-Haus Bonn and Ettlingen Schlosskonzerte, broadcast on SWR Radio, as well as Beethoven's Triple Concerto in their debut with the Philharmonia Orchestra at the Brighton Festival.

In the current season, the Trio look forward to recitals across the UK, and a new commission by Francisco Coll to be premiered in Spain. Following their "outstanding debut" CD of Brahms, Takemitsu and Beethoven, they release their second CD for Rubicon of Trios by Fauré, Schubert and Brahms.

All three members of the Trio Isimsiz enjoy great success individually. Erdem Misirlioglu was a Concerto Finalist in the BBC Young Musician competition in 2008, Pablo Hernán Benedí is a member of the Chiaroscuro Quartet, formed by Alina Ibragimova, and Michael Petrov represented the UK in the European Concert Halls Organisation Rising Star series.

**Pablo Hernán Benedí** was born in 1991 in Madrid. He studied at the C.I. Padre Antonio Soler Conservatory in San Lorenzo de El Escorial and at the GSMD with David Takeno. In 2010 Pablo became a member of the Chiaroscuro Quartet, formed by Alina Ibragimova, Emilie Hornlund and Claire Thirion, appearing at major venues throughout Europe. The Quartet's debut recording was released in 2011 to critical acclaim.

**Michael Petrov** was born in 1990 in Bulgaria. He studied at the Yehudi Menuhin School and at the GSMD with Louise Hopkins, winning the Gold Medal in 2014. Over the two years he has made his debut with the Philharmonia, Royal Philharmonic, Bournemouth Symphony and English Chamber Orchestras. During 2014/15 he gave recitals at major concert halls throughout Europe as part of his nomination by the Barbican Centre as an ECHO Rising Star.

**Erdem Misirlioglu** was born in 1989 in Suffolk. He studied with Mark Fielding at the Junior GSMD and since 2008 with Martin Roscoe and Ronan O'Hara at the GSMD. In 2008 he was a Concerto Finalist in the BBC Young Musicians Competition, performing Rachmaninov's Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini with the BBC National Orchestra of Wales. He recently won 1st Prize in the Beethoven Piano Society of Europe's Intercollegiate Piano Competition.

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