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"I can not think of a better brass quintet in the whole world"
Christian Lindberg

a contemporary performance...

Spanish Brass has commissioned and performed more than 150 works by different Spanish and international composers, including: Vladimir Cosma, Karel Husa, Tadeuz Kassatti, Kenny Weelher, Maurice Jarre, Pilar Jurado, Carlos Galán, Enrique Sanz-Burguete, José Luís Turina, Carles Santos, César Cano, Askell Masson, Juraj Filas, Robert Gulya, Tomás Marco, Antón García Abril, Jesús Villa Rojo, Emilio Calandín, Vicente Roncero o Juanjo Colomer, etc., not to mention the repertoire already existing for brass quintet by Luciano Berio, Hans Werner Henze, Witold Lutoslawski, Elliot Carter, Vincent Persichetti, Georgui Mintchev, Xavier Monsalvatge, Joan Guinjoan, etc.

With all of these works, programs of different styles and themes can be worked out.

Spanish Brass has performed this contemporary programs in such important events as the Festival ENSEMS, Auditori Nacional d'Espanya, Bonner Herbst (Germany), Muzyka Statym Krakowie (Poland), Festival Internacional de Música Contemporània of Alacant (Spain), Festival Internacional de les Arts de Puerto Rico, Lucerne Festival (Switzerland), Jeju Summer Festival (South Korea), Schleswig-Holstein Musik Festival (Germany), Festival Internacional de Música de Contemporània de Tres Cantos (Spain), Cicle de Música Contemporània de Màlaga (Spain), Fòrum de Música Nova Manuel Enríquez de Mèxic D.F (Mexico)...

For me, Spanish Brass exemplifies a world-class chamber ensemble, both socially and musically. They're a very adventurous group which chooses a repertoire that's both challenging and fun, and they've built a community of fans and friends around the world, demonstrating the highest level of professionalism and musicality. I am honored to be both a fan AND a friend of Spanish Brass!

Adam Rapa, trumpet player

"To listen to a performance of the Spanish Brass "Luur Metalls" is to experience a blend of latin temperament, brilliant technique and outstanding musicality. May they continue to give their audiences much pleasure for many seasons to come".

Philip Jones



other concerts:

- **A-BRASS-ADA.-** Standard brass quintet concert.

- **Puro de Oliva.-** With Chano Domínguez. Flamenco-jazz fusion.

- **Les Aventuras de Mr. Jules.-** Brass quintet and piano by and with Albert Guinovart.

- **Make a Brazz noise here.-** Brass quintet, electrical guitar, drums and electroacoustics.
(tribute to Frank Zappa)

SPANISH BRASS

With a thirty year trajectory in the world of chamber music, Spanish Brass is one of the most dynamic and consolidated quintets on the international musical stage.

In 1996 the ensemble won First Prize in the Sixth International Brass Quintet Competition "Ville de Narbonne" (France), considered the most prestigious for this formation. In 2017 they received First Prize in the Bankia Awards for Musical Talent of the Comunitat de Valencia. In 2019 Spanish Brass received the Espai Ter de Música and two Carles Santos Music Awards.

As well as participating in some of the most important festivals in the world, they performed at the gala for the Prince of Asturias Awards in 1995, and have recorded music for the play *La Fundación* by Buero Vallejo, at the Centro Dramático Nacional, as well as the score for the film *Descongélate* by Félix Sabroso produced by El Deseo.

Spanish Brass have published twenty-six recordings, among them two DVD-CDs and a double CD collection, which shows their multiple aspects: *Luur-Metalls Spanish Brass Quintet* (1996), *No Comment* (1998), *La escalera de Jacob* (2000), *SPANISH BRASS Luur Metalls & Friends* (2001), *Delicatessen* (2002), *Caminos de España* (2003), *Absolute* with Christian Lindberg and Ole E. Antonsen (2004), *Gaudí'um* (2005), *Metà·lics* (2006), *Retaule de Nadal* with l'Orfeó Valencià Navarro Reverter (2006), *SBALZ Brass Ensemble* (2007), *Brass and Wines* with Steven Mead (2008), *Brassiana* with Lluís Vidal Trio (2008), *The Best of Spanish Brass* (2009), *SBLM* (2009), *Tell me a Brass Story* with the Banda

Municipal de Música de Bilbao (2012), *viBRASSions* (2012), *Metalls d'estil* with Pep Botifarra (2013), *25* (2014), *SuBLiMe Christmas* (2014), *Brass Brass Brass* (2016), *de Vents i Terra* with the Banda Municipal de Barcelona (2017), *Puro de Oliva* with Chano Domínguez and Bandolero (2018), *XXX* (2018), *Mira si hem corregut terres...* with Carles Dénia (2019) and *Les Aventures de Monsieur Jules* with Albert Guinovart (2019).

Alongside their activities as performers, Spanish Brass organises two festivals, international in scope, devoted to brass instruments: the Festival Spanish Brass Alzira (www.sbalz.com) and the Brassurround (www.brassurround.com), where every year some of the most prestigious international brass soloists, groups and teachers gather.

Spanish Brass plays Courtois trombone and Melton tuba; and also with the new BlackBinder application.

Spanish Brass uses Bags instrument cases. In addition, they receive support from the Institut Valencià de Cultura and the Ministerio de Cultura-INAEM.

Members

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Juanjo Serna Salvador, trumpet
Manuel Pérez Ortega, horn
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