



## ESPEN BERG THE HAMAR CONCERT

Following the internationally acclaimed improvised solo piano album *The Trondheim Concert* (NXN2011) and the digital album release *The Nidaros Concert* (NXN2018), NXN's latest release is *The Hamar Concert*, which was recorded before a live audience in The Hamar Concert Hall. Ranging from subdued and lyrical to epic and technically brilliant, Espen Berg continues to prove he is a master of improvised piano performance.

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### MEET THE ARTIST

Born in 1983 in Hamar, **Espen Berg** is a Norwegian pianist and composer. He lives in Trondheim, where he attained a master's degree at NTNU's highly acknowledged jazz department in 2008. In 2011 Espen began work on his solo project. His first solo album, *Noctilucent* (NXN2015), was released in 2012, followed by *Arcs of Blue* (NXN2016) in 2014. *The Trondheim Concert* (NXN2011) was his first fully improvised solo performance and the starting point for his new direction in solo performance. As a sideman Espen has worked with *Bridges* feat. Seamus Blake, Anders Grønseth's *Multiverse*, the Kåre Kolve Quartet, the Daniel Herskedal Quintet, Marius Neset and the Trondheim Jazz Orchestra, and the Mathias Eick Quintet. He also performs as a duo with Silje Nergaard, touring extensively in Norway and Europe; they released a duo album on Sony Music in 2020.

[espenberg.no](http://espenberg.no)


### PRESS QUOTES

**'What we have here, is quite possibly one of the finest improvised solo piano performances I have had the pleasure of listening to in the last decade or so.'** – *UK Vibe*

**'It's mesmerizing. It's beautiful. The Trondheim Concert is an amazing feat.'** – Tim Larsen, *Jazz views*

**'A brilliant musical journey that thrives on the spontaneous invention of strong melodies, but does not shy away from melancholic or heavy atonal passages.'** – *Jazzthing, DE*



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Espen Berg, piano

