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NYMAN TO PEFORM PREMIER OF NEW WORK FOR PIANO AND SOPRANO AT UNSOUND – INCORPORATING POETRY OF TADEUSZ ROZEWICZ

World-renowned composer Michal Nyman has announced he will make a special performance at Unsound Festival opening on 18.10.2008. Using text from the work of Polish poet Tadeusz Rozewicz, he has written new pieces for piano and soprano, to have their world premier in Galicia Jewish Museum in Krakow.

The performance is linked to a Nyman installation, "Sublime", open throughout Unsound. Incorporating the composer's videos and field recordings, the installation is also partly inspired by Rozewicz's poems. Never before has it been set up on such a large scale and in such a unique space: a 19th century power station run by Cricoteca.

The soprano for Nyman's performance will be Jolanta Kowalska, recent graduate from the Krakow Academy of Music, now based in the UK.

Entrance to the Nyman installation opening and performance is best ensured with the week long Unsound passport. This can be purchased at www.eventim.pl and related ticket outlets. You need to be fast, as there are not many left.

There will also be a number of invitations to the Nyman performance soon to be offered to the public by registration.

Following Nyman, Group show (Jan Jelinek, Hanno Leichtmann, Andrew Pekler) will give an 8-hour long performance as a soundtrack to Warhol's classic film "Empire". The screening / performance will start in Galicia Jewish Museum just after 20:00, when Warhol began making the original film. Entry is free.

More information can be found at www.unsound.pl, or please contact Gosia Plysa at mailgorzata.plysa@gmail.com for more information, interviews, etc.