



## Ann Elkjær

Flutist Ann Elkjær has won acclaim for a vivid and expressive musicianship, that she prefers to use in close collaboration with her chamber music friends – in a duo with guitarist Martin Fogel (UK), or with pianist Hee-Won Park (Germany). She also gets her appetite for contemporary music satisfied in the flute quartet 40f.

Ann is a graduate both from the Gothenburg School of Music and the Royal Academy of Music in London, from where she was awarded the prestigious "Queen's Commendation for Excellence". She has won several prizes and awards, among them a second prize in the major Swedish music competition "Ljunggrenska", and the first prize in the International Kuhlau flute competition 2003. She has performed in prestigious Concertgebouw, Amsterdam. Ann was awarded the honorary title "Associate of the Royal Academy of Music" in 2009.

Back home in Sweden, she has performed in a great number of chamber music venues, as well as chamber music festivals, and in Swedish Radio P2.

Ann is also very fond of her job as teaching professor at Musikhögskolan Ingesund, Arvika, and thinks it is an honour to pass on the heritage from her own flute professors (William Bennett, Gerard Schaub, Anders Jonhäll) to next generation of young musicians.