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Barbican announces Hania Rani & Ensemble present: Ghosts

Hania Rani & Ensemble present: *Ghosts*Saturday 5 April 2025, 7:30pm
Barbican Hall
Tickets from £30 plus booking fee

Polish pianist and composer, **Hania Rani** makes her Barbican debut, presenting her album **Ghosts** in a special arrangement for large ensemble.

Rani released her 70-minute-long double album *Ghosts* (Gondwana Records) in 2023 in direct contradiction to, in her words, "a common tendency of adjusting art form to a reality shaped by mass media". The full and complete album will be performed by Rani alongside a large ensemble including string, woodwind, and brass instruments. Most of the other musicians are also long-time collaborators and friends of Rani's, from cellist **Dobrawa Czocher** to bassist **Ziemowit Klimek**, each coming from versatile music backgrounds. More commonly used to performing solo, surrounded by multiple keyboards, Rani will present the complete album at the Barbican as part of a tour with her ensemble in a way that its orchestral and tangled nature wouldn't permit it to be performed alone.

The performance will also be accompanied by new light and set design by **Stuart Bailes** who will visualize the intricate nature of the album by weaving together hundreds of sounds, flavours and stories.

Rani comments:

"This 'Ensemble' tour is an attempt to fulfil an idea that has been in my head for a long time - performing live the complete album "Ghosts" with a specially expanded ensemble, in some of my favourite venues in Europe. What utterly interests me is how one thing can be distributed through endless translations - losing its initial shape but at the same time morphing into something new through different perspectives and environments. I also consider this tour as a summing up of my expansive touring in 2023 and 2024 and a last luminous chunk before my well-earned dimmed period of quietness. I find it utterly inspiring and moving to finish this exciting ghostly adventure in such a profound and expansive way - celebrating it with a special set of people and my dear listeners."

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- OrchestRAVE presents 15 years of UK: An Orchestral Celebration of Bass Music (Sat 20 Jul 2024, Barbican Hall, 8pm)
- Margareth Menezes & Ilê Aiyê (Fri 26 Jul 2024, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm)
- Jamz Supernova: Future Bounce (Fri 9 Aug 2024, Level G, 11pm)
- The Magnetic Fields perform 69 Love Songs (Sat 31 Aug & Sun 1 Sep 2024, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm)
- Cornelius (Fri 6 Sep 2024, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm)
- Dawn Landes & Friends perform The Liberated Woman's Songbook (<u>Sat 7 Sep 2024, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm</u>)
- Gruff Rhys (Fri 13 Sep 2024, Barbican Hall, 8pm)
- Philip Glass Ensemble Early Works: 1973-1984 (<u>Sat 28 Sep 2024, Barbican Hall,</u> 730pm)
- Jaubi with Tara Lily (Sun 29 Sep 2024, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm)
- Sarah Davachi + LCO Players (Wed 2 Oct 2024, St Giles Cripplegate, 7:30pm)
- Billie Marten & Her Ensemble (Fri 4 Oct 2024, Barbican Hall, 8pm)
- Touching Bass presents: Lynda Dawn (Fri 4 October, Milton Court Concert Hall, 7:30pm)
- Efterklang + Titanic (Sat 5 Oct 2024, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm)
- Nala Sinephro (Fri 18 Oct 2024, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm)
- Caroline Rose (Sat 19 Oct 2024, Milton Court Concert Hall, 7.30pm)
- Oysterband and June Tabor (Sat 19 Oct 2024, Barbican Hall, 8pm)
- EFG LJF: Pat Metheny Dream Box (Fri/Sat 15-16 Nov 2024, 7.30pm)
- EFG LJF: Anouar Brahem Quartet (Sun 17 Nov 2024, 730pm)
- EFG LJF: Charles Tolliver celebrates Max Roach @ 100 (Mon 18 Nov 2024, 7.30pm)
- EFG LJF: Tim Garland's Lighthouse Trio and Britten Sinfonia (<u>Tue 19 Nov 2024,</u> Milton Court Concert Hall, 7.30pm)
- EFG LJF: LSO x seed. Feat. Cassie Kinoshi (Thu 21 Nov 2024, Barbican Hall, 7pm)
- EFG LJF: Marilyn Mazur's Shamania (<u>Fri 22 Nov 2024, Milton Court Concert Hall,</u>
 7.30pm)
- EFG LJF: Cross Currents Trio: Zakir Hussain, Dave Holland, Chris Potter (<u>Fri 22 Nov 2024, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm</u>)
- EFG LJF: Take Me to the River: A Celebration of New Orleans Music (Sat 23 Nov 2024, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm)
- EFG LJF: Sikelela, 30 years on... (Sun 24 Nov 2024, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm)
- Gotts Street Park (Tue 26 Nov 2024, Barbican Hall, 8pm)
- Vishwa Mohan Bhatt and Desert Slide (Sat 30 Nov 2024, Barbican Hall, 8pm)
- Dur Dur Band (Thurs 5 Dec 2024, Barbican Hall, 8pm)
- Lisa O'Neill with Britten Sinfonia (Wed 11 Dec 2024, Barbican Hall, 8pm)

BARBICAN PROMOTIONS COMING UP IN 2025

- Lloyd Cole (Sat 25 Jan 2025, Barbican Hall, 8pm)
- Roo Panes and The Delphi Quartet (Sat 1 Feb 2025, Barbican Hall, 8pm)
- Maria Schneider + Oslo Jazz Ensemble (Sun 2 Mar 2025, Barbican Hall, 7.30pm)
- NEW Hania Rani & Ensemble present: Ghosts (<u>Sat 5 Apr 2025 Barbican Hall, 7.30pm</u>)

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