deoksugung I / II

ensemble (var.)

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for jesse goin and crow with no mouth.

*palace in seoul, south korea. deoksugung is one of five korean palaces in seoul, built during the joseon dynasty.

deoksugung I

alternating sections: 2 minutes time for sound(s), 1 minute time for silence.

the piece begins with 2 minutes time for sound(s), finishes with 1 minute time for silence. duration: 18 minutes (6 x 3 minutes).

each sound: very soft, sometimes nearly inaudible, sustained or softly fading out.

time for sound(s): 1, 2, 3, 5 or 8 sounds are played during this 2 minutes.

one number of sounds occurs again (6 sections on the whole). this decision is taken by the ensemble.

the question about the order of the sections is resolved by means of a random process.

deoksugung II

any number of alternating sections: 1 minute time for silence, 1 minute time for sound(s).

each sound: very soft, sometimes nearly inaudible, sustained or softly fading out.

time for sound(s): 1, 2 or 3 sounds are played during this minute – or it remains silent.

deoksugung I and deoksugung II belong together as a twin composition. nevertheless each composition may be performed on its own.