

Press Release

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RPS Music Awards

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New Chamber Music award announced

The Royal Philharmonic Society has introduced a new award for Chamber Music into the RPS Music Awards, the UK's most prestigious awards for live classical music.

The award will recognise an outstanding contribution to the performance of chamber music in the UK during 2005. The award has a wider remit than the Chamber Ensemble award (which was discontinued in 2004), with nominations open not only to ensembles but also to individual musicians and duos.

Tony Fell, Chairman of the Royal Philharmonic Society comments:

"There is a wealth of chamber music being performed around the country – often in smaller venues and towns that have no dedicated concert hall. This award will celebrate the finest of all chamber music performers and the imaginative approach they bring to their music making".

Nominations for the new award must be endorsed by a professional musical organization, or a member of the Royal Philharmonic Society, and are open from mid-November to 31 January 2006. All nominations will be considered by an independent specialist jury.

The fourteen RPS Music Awards will be presented at a ceremony on 9 May 2006 at The Dorchester.

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