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O Clavis David

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This piece was written for the 2022 Harrogate Advent Festival held at The Church of St Wilfrid, Harrogate for Ensemble Pro Victoria and its director, Toby Ward. The piece was premiered on 25 November, 2022.

The famous 'O Antiphons' have always been of interest to me, from singing them as a young chorister to using them in this piece. The texts as well a the plainsong modes for the antiphons contain lots of elements which I use and adapt in the context of the piece. The plainsong material is present throughout the piece but drifts in and out of audibility with the surrounding material and textures frequently obscuring the plainsong. The plainsong is also present in numerous different ways, such as in short, fragmental prolongations between parts and, sometimes, in short canons.
To Toby Ward & Ensemble Pro Victoria
for Harrogate Advent Festival, 2022

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8th Century, Latin

Niki Zohdi (b. 1997)
S. I  
>\textit{p} 
\textit{qua} \textit{aper} \textit{ris,} \textit{et} \textit{ne} \textit{mo} 

S. II  
>\textit{p} 
\textit{ra} \textit{el} 

A. I  
>\textit{p} 
\textit{qua} \textit{aper} \textit{ris,} \textit{et} \textit{ne} \textit{mo} 

A. II  
>\textit{p} 
\textit{ra} \textit{el} 

T. I  
>\textit{p} 
\textit{qua} \textit{aper} \textit{ris,} \textit{et} \textit{ne} \textit{mo} 

T. II  
>\textit{p} 
\textit{ra} \textit{el}  

B. I  
>\textit{p} 
\textit{qua} \textit{aper} \textit{ris,} \textit{et} \textit{ne} \textit{mo} 

B. II  
>\textit{p} 
\textit{ra} \textit{el}  

\textit{et} \textit{ne} \textit{mo}
et ne mo clau
qui a peris, et ne mo clau
et ne mo clau
qui a peris, et ne mo clau
et mo clau
a peris, et ne mo clau
et ne mo clau
a peris, et ne mo clau
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vinculum.

Ve
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De
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Ve
ni.

De
do
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car
ce
ris,

Ve
ni.

De
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ris,