

Albena Petrovic-Vratchanska about a “Luxembourg concert” and an album of works by Andrei Vratchanski

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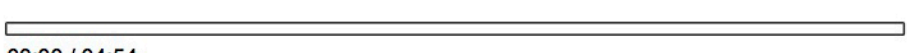


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Two events took place in the Bulgarian capital city recently with the participation of Albena Petrovic-Vratchanska – a presentation of an album of works by her grandfather, a most distinctive composer, Andrei Vratchanski, and a concert dedicated to the national day of Luxembourg.

Composer, choir conductor, performer and pedagogue, Albena was educated in Bulgaria and later specialized in Luxembourg, where she has been living and working since 1996. She has earned prestigious awards for her contribution to the cultural life of the country. She is founder and president

of *Club des Artistes en Herbe*. The international composition contest, bearing the same name, is among her top priorities:



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Around the Danubian plain, performed by the Sofia Brass Band, conductor Dotso Vutkov

“The concert by the Ars nova Lux trio from Luxembourg, which was part of the Sofia Music Weeks Festival, was dedicated to Luxembourg’s national day, 23 June,” says Albena. *“I founded this ensemble around five years ago, together with flutist Maria Miteva (she is Bulgarian, educated in Austria). In Sofia the trio played works by several composers from Luxembourg, among them Lou Koster and Helen Buchholt – two ladies who lived at the end of the 19th and the beginning of the 20th century. The programme also featured works by several compatriots of theirs – Edmond Lentz, Claude Lenners (whose works have been performed in Bulgaria many times) and Pierre Weber, a musician of the younger generation. Many of the works were performed for the first time in Bulgaria. Two of the premieres were of my own Love Songs and Lonely Soul.”*



Besides Maria Miteva, the other members of *The Ars Nova Lux* trio are Luisa Partridge-Mauro, mezzo-soprano and Kae Shiraki, piano. Besides the above-mentioned works by Luxembourgian composers, at the concert in the Bulgaria chamber hall the trio also played works by Ravel, Piazzolla, Georgi Zlatev-Cherkin.


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My fiancée, performed by the Sofia Brass Band, conductor Dotso Vutkov