

## CV

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Yngvild Vivja Haaland Ruud (b. 1990) is a Norwegian-born accordionist and harpsichord player, focusing principally on baroque and contemporary music. She is educated (Master of Music, accordion performance) from The Royal Danish Academy of Music and the Sibelius Academy in Helsinki, and has simultaneously studied harpsichord with prof. Ketil Haugsand. Ruud is a prize winner of several national and international competitions, such as 3rd prize in the international competition "Arrasate Hiria" for soloists in Spain in 2012.

Ruud is particularly interested in music from the baroque era, and enjoys exploring this repertoire both on modern and historical instruments. Her passion for contemporary music has led to collaborations with exciting composers of today, and she has given several premieres. Ruud has performed in a number of different festivals, such as SONICfestival (DK), UNM festival (SE), Pulsar (DK), KLANG (DK), Lux Aeterna (DE) and Dark Music Days (IS).

Ruud has played with ensembles such as Malmø Opera, Mahogany Opera Group (London), Aarhus Symfoniorkester (DK), Athelas Sinfonietta (DK) and Aarhus Sinfonietta (DK). In the spring 2015 she toured Japan with Trio Nedremo.

Ruud's passion for reaching out to new and modern audiences has resulted in her creating a wide range of projects. These include "Morgenmadskoncerten", a breakfast concert series in Copenhagen introducing classical music to new audiences. She also founded the opera company "Kompani Opera Mobile" together Inger Ø. Uberg, in which she is co-artistic director and performer.

The 2017 season will include performances in Hamburg (Elbfilharmonie), Iceland (Harpa), Copenhagen and Oslo a.o, and she will tour Norway with a new opera production created by Kompani Opera Mobile.

## **Education**

2014-2017

Private studies in harpsichord with prof. Ketil Haugsand

2014-2016

Master of Music, accordion performance (Royal Danish Academy of Music)

2013-2014

Exchange student, accordion performance, with Veli Kujala (Sibelius Academy). Harpsichord studies with Anssi Mattila.

2010-2013

Bachelor of Music, accordion performance (Royal Danish Academy of Music)

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