

## **MARIA LETTBERG, Pianist**

Maria Lettberg is one of the most exciting pianists in Europe today. A Swedish citizen born in Riga, she is currently resident in Berlin. Maria Lettberg is an international performer in the world of music and has given chamber music evenings and solo recitals in, New York, London, Berlin, Munich, Milan, St. Petersburg, Stockholm, Helsinki, Utrecht and Zurich. In Sweden and Germany she has given radio and television concerts.

The most important milestone in Maria Lettberg`s artistic career to date has been the recording of the complete Solo Piano Work by Alexander Scriabin (8 CDs plus DVD). This was a co-production between Deutschland Radio Kultur and Capriccio. The recordings, which received outstanding reviews, are the result of a period of intensive exploration of the composer.

In her concerts Maria Lettberg draws from a wide repertoire, the names Brahms, Schumann, Liszt, Chopin, and also Ravel, Debussy, Schnittke and Bach representing the constants in her performances. Always inspired by fresh impulses she has created virtuoso and musically sensitive programmes in her theme-based concerts.

Maria Lettberg`s recent discovery is the Finnish composer Ekki Melartin, whose work for piano Maria Lettberg has recorded on two CDs. This was also cooperation with Deutschland Radio Kultur and Delta/Crystal Classics. The CD released at the beginning of April, 2011

A further project – was released at the beginning of 2012 – is the second part (the first part being piano concertos with Ewa Kupiec) of her recordings of Alfred Schnittke`s “Music for piano and Orchestra” with the Radio Symphony Orchestra Berlin (Rundfunk Symphonieorchester Berlin) conducted by Frank Strobel, and the Piano Quartet and Piano Trio with the Petersen Quartet.