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# Curriculum Vitae

Gabriel Paiuk, born in Buenos Aires, Argentina in 1975 is a composer and sound artist involved in the ways in which we listen. His work takes the form of sound installations, works for music instruments and electronic sources and collaborations with other disciplines.

He earned his bachelor's degree in Music at the Center for Advanced Studies in Contemporary Music in Buenos Aires (ARG) and his master's degree in Sonology (with distinction) at the Institute of Sonology, Royal Conservatoire in The Hague (NL). He developed his doctoral research in the field of Artistic Research at the Academy of Creative and Performing Arts in Leiden University.

In his early career he was active as a pianist in the field of free improvised music, performing and collaborating internationally with prominent representatives of the European Free Improvised music scene. In 2006 his work *Res Extensa* was awarded the Gaudeamus Composition prize, which became the first time a sound installation was awarded this international distinction. His chamber works have been commissioned and performed by the Österreichisches Ensemble für Neue Musik, ASKO ensemble, Kammerensemble Neue Musik Berlin, Slagwerk Den Haag, Francesco Dillon, Arne Deforce, Ekkehard Windrich, Modelo62 and the New European Ensemble, among others. Performative compositions and sound installations have been presented at contemporary music and sound art festivals and art galleries across Europe and Latin America. His work has been published internationally on the labels Another Timbre, Cut, Sedimental and Unsounds. He is also the resident composer of La Otra dance company in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Since 2010 he resides in The Netherlands, and since 2014 he is part of the faculty staff at the Institute of Sonology at the Royal Conservatoire in The Hague. Paiuk is a regular guest lecturer and workshop leader at the Master in

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