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## **Shapeshifter - Program Note**

Written in the winter of 2015 in The Hague, Netherlands, *Shapeshifter* is motivated by the concept of control and losing it. Composed for the duo of violinist Monica Germino and sound engineer Frank van der Weij, I was very intrigued that typically Frank is not seen visually, and therefore wanted to play with the idea of him controlling Monica's sound and gradually letting go of that control. In addition, I wanted Monica to in her own way lose control of her playing and gradually "shapeshift" to a new and divergent sound.

*Shapeshifter* is also dedicated to the duo of Monica Germino and Frank van der Weij, who premiered it in April 2015 at Korzo Theater in The Hague, Netherlands. I have always admired them both from afar, and to write and work with them is truly a dream come true.