

Programme Notes Ciconia Consort season 2024-2025

I. October 2024

Sunflowers and Lavender

soloist: Paolo Giacometti, piano

Sunflowers and lavender, Van Gogh, Manet and Monet. They make/frame/compose the typical colors of France. Olivier Messiaen even thought in terms of color synergy.

On the shoulders of the Impressionists and the Groupe des Six, stand socially engaged composers, such as Castérède, Jolivet and Dutilleux, who often reached the international stages with revolutionary work.

Ciconia Consort and the renowned and versatile pianist Paolo Giacometti embark on an adventure with Castérède's *Piano Concerto*. Long melodic lines and rich harmonies are expressed by Castérède in a very personal way. The *Sérénade pour cordes* by Daniel-Lesur has the well-known French lightness of the Group des Six.



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'Sunflowers and Lavender' brings a varied and rich French color palette of the 20th century.

