

Izumi Ise was born in 1964 in Sendai, Japan. After finishing her studies as a classical pianist she moved in 1989 to Switzerland, where she studied organ and church music at the Academy of Church Music Lucerne as well as harpsichord, continuo playing and historically informed performance at the Schola Cantorum Basiliensis. In the following years she performed regularly both as soloist and as a member of various orchestras and ensembles. In 2006 she discovered the world of Free Improvisation, which brought her to reduce her activities as a interpreter and to dedicate herself to exploring and developing her own musical language and sounds. Today she mostly performs free improvised music on piano. Izumi Ise lives in Basel, Switzerland.