**Short biography (100 words)**

**Stephen Montague** (b. 1943 Syracuse, NY) was educated in the US before coming to Europe first as a Fulbright Scholar (Warsaw), and since 1974 based in London from which he tours internationally as a composer, pianist, and conductor. Recent commissions have included Birmingham Royal Ballet, The BBC Proms, UK New Music Biennale, London’s Southbank and Barbican Centres, and a BT commission for the London Symphony Orchestra performed by an additional 14 UK orchestras. In addition to his compositional activities he is a frequent guest speaker on contemporary music, and a conductor specializing in new music. His website is at: **stephenmontague.com**