



Gavin Bryars, head and shoulders portrait, facing forward, (2001)



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Description
English composer Gavin Bryars taken while he was visiting the San Francisco Bay Area so as to participate in the 7th Other Minds Music Festival in March of 2001. Gavin Bryars was born in Yorkshire, Great Britain in 1943. His first musical reputation was as a jazz bassist working in the early sixties with improvisers Derek Bailey and Tony Oxley. He abandoned improvisation in 1966 and worked for a time in the United States with John Cage. Subsequently he collaborated closely with composers such as Cornelius Cardew and John White. From 1969 to 1978 he taught in departments of Fine Art in Portsmouth and Leicester, and during his time at Portsmouth College of Art, he was instrumental in founding the legendary Portsmouth Sinfonia. His first major work as a composer was “The Sinking of the Titanic” (1969) and “Jesus' Blood Never Failed Me Yet” (1971). He has composed prolifically for theater and dance as well as for the concert hall.

People
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