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Re: *The TransAtlantic Ensemble*

**Mariam Adam, clarinet
Hrabba Atladottir, violin
Evelyn Ulex, piano**

It is a privilege and a pleasure to recommend The TransAtlantic Ensemble, an extraordinary group of three superb musicians.

As a composer, I worked with the ensemble earlier this year when the members recorded two of my chamber music pieces for a new CD on the Koch International label. The performances were beautifully realized, both musically and technically, and certainly were the best performances of these pieces I've experienced.

I have also heard two members of the ensemble, the TransAtlantic Duo, Ms. Adam and Ms. Ulex, in a 2007 concert of contemporary music at the Trinity Church Concert Series. The program included several unusually interesting new works. The high caliber of musicianship and the genuine devotion to new music were abundantly evident in their performances.

The TransAtlantic Ensemble is a first-rate chamber music group; and with the individual and collective talents of these excellent musicians, it is, I believe, becoming one of America's finest ensembles.

**John David Earnest
Composer**

