

## Alec Roth – THE UNICORN IN THE GARDEN

for solo guitar

first performed by Morgan Szymanski, Wigmore Hall, London, 1 December 2003

Mythical beasts often represent mankind's more negative traits; the shy, elusive unicorn, however, is a symbol of love. The music was inspired by a painting with the same title by the Brazilian artist Ana Maria Pacheco.

### DURATION

ca. 6 minutes

### FORCES REQUIRED

Solo Guitar

### SCORE SAMPLE

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### RECORDING

*The Unicorn in the Garden* is recorded by Morgan Szymanski on the [Sarabande](#) label

The individual track may be sampled and downloaded at: [iTunes](#)

*"But the most interesting music came from the pen of the contemporary English composer, Alec Roth. The Unicorn in the Garden, a mystical and exotic reflection on the mythical animal, explores a seemingly unending gamut of guitar expression and techniques, which Szymanski delivered effortlessly."*

(**The Scotsman**, 4 July 2005)

*"The Unicorn in the Garden was a sweet, wistful evocation of movement and silence, with textured droplets of notes like dripping leaves and flowers opening"*

(**Bath Chronicle**, 23 May 2005)