

The Gemstone Series - 20 Sonic Complexion Miniatures

Sheet music book, released by ILK Publishing, Dec. '22.

"The Gemstone Series" contains sheet music for 20 compositions by Jacob Anderskov. The pieces are for 1 to 6 musicians - the exact number of performers is flexible for all compositions. All pieces include improvised sections. Some of the pieces are released on Anderskov's albums "**Emerald**" (2023), Kinetics' "**Mysteries**" (2017), and Fosterchild's "**Dear Earthling**" (2019). Other pieces have been performed, but not yet recorded, by these ensembles, as well as by **Resonance** and **Allusion**.

Light and shadow alternate effortlessly in this collection of compositions. The music is saturated and yet transparent.



Anderskov's own statement on the book:

"This collection is my attempt at stating something about the possibility of a hugely differentiated use of colour in music. Most of the pieces have names from crystals. Not so much because of the cultural allusion from crystals to magic, though that does not hurt. More so because they are generally based on symmetrical organizational principles, not unlike the molecular, respectively cellular, symmetries found in e.g., gemstones, starfish, and corals. The applied approach to internal symmetry in the music is perhaps not immediately audible, but I find that it results in an enigmatic subduedness, not unlike our associations with the (radially symmetric) coral reefs that we humans as a species are painfully bad at taking care of."

- Jacob Anderskov, December 2022.

"For those who still didn't know, there is by now no way around realizing that Jacob Anderskov belongs to the most extraordinary artists of contemporary music... A high point in improvised Music..."

- Hans-Jürgen von Osterhausen, Jazz Podium, Germany.

Link to excerpt of book (online, pdf):

https://jacobanderskov.dk/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/Gemstones-Excerpt_Jacob-Anderskov-Sheetmusic-Book-dec22.pdf

Order at ILK Publishing: <https://www.ilkmusic.com/products/jacob-anderskov-the-gemstone-series>

The book contains:

- * Twenty compositions: Agate - Amber - Amethyst - Beryl - Bloodstone - Celestite - Colour Shout - Elkhorn Coral - Emerald - Et Tu, Tselec - Fluorite - Mysteries - Opal - Origami Megalith - Pearl - Ruby - Sapphire - Silence of the Stones - Smoky Quartz - Sunstone.
- * A preface including suggestions for the interpreting musicians, and background on the making of the music.
- * Note stand friendly paper thickness - book can stand without closing, opened on any page.
- * Front and back covers in colour, designed by Neue Pink.
- * Easy-to-read engraving by Frej Wedlund, aesthetically set with November2 music font.
- * For each composition already recorded, info on which album to find it for listening reference.

Further info: [JacobAnderskov.dk](https://www.jacobanderskov.dk) - [ILKmusic.com](https://www.ilkmusic.com)