

# WORKS THAT SHAPED THE WORLD 2020

## Ludwig van Beethoven

### Thursday 12 March 2020, 6.15 – 7.15pm

#### **Speaker:**

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#### Location:

Llewellyn Hall

William Herbert Place, Australian National University



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#### **ABOUT THIS LECTURE**

In 1794 Joseph Haydn wrote a sonata for the brilliant pianist Therese Jansen, a work of astonishing depth and complexity. A year later his pupil Ludwig van Beethoven composed his first piano sonata, which owed more than a little to Mozart (who had died four years earlier) and gave no indication of the ingenuity and originality his subsequent thirty-one sonatas would exhibit.

In 1795 everyone's money would have been on Haydn as the architect of nineteenth century romantic spirit, not this gruff young man from Bonn.

**Associate Professor Paul Kildea** is a musician, a musicologist (Honorary Principal Fellow at the University of Melbourne), and the Artistic Director of Musica Viva. He is the author of books, articles, and reviews on music and musicians, including *Benjamin Britten: A Life in the Twentieth Century* (2013).

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