

# The Universe in 3/4 Time

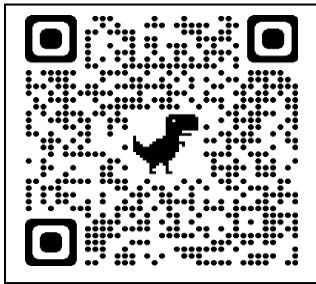


**A EUROPEAN JOURNEY**

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*When a WWII piano emerges from the mist one winter's night, who could imagine what mysteries it would unlock?*



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## ABOUT THE BOOK

*From the damp cobbles of old Brussels to a Black Forest refuge...from Prague's ghostly lanes to a hut high in the Pyrenees...*

Join three struggling musicians as they head off across Europe to recover a mysterious World War II piano, a dangerous quest that illuminates not only the fate of the piano's elusive owner, but also lost secrets of their art that stretch back to the time of Pythagoras. *The Universe in 3/4 Time* is a novel of intrigue, ancient wisdom, and a great love forged by war and music.



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