
MARTIN IVANOV CV

Martin Ivanov was born in 1990 in Bulgaria in a family of musicians. In 1994 he started playing piano with his mother Krasimira Ivanova, who continued to teach him thru his high school education at the National School of Arts "Prof. Vesselin Stoyanov" in Ruse, Bulgaria where he graduated in 2009. During that time he has also been constantly working with Sultana Markovska, who was a long-standing student and assistant of Prof. Vera Gornostaeva in Moscow.

Martin has participated in over 50 piano competitions within his school years. They were all very successful for him, especially his 1st prizes at "*Young Virtuosos*" 2004 in Sofia, "*Maria Yudina*" Piano Competition 2007 in Saints Petersburg, "*Franz Schubert*" 2003 and 2005 in Ruse, Bulgaria, as well Grand Prix at "*Hopes, Talents, Masters*" Competition in Dobrich, Bulgaria and 2nd prizes at "*Chopin*" Piano Competition 2005 in Varna, Bulgaria, "*Albert Roussel*" 2006 in Sofia and "*LISMA*" Competition 2013 in New York.

In 2006 he has been noticed by the director of "*Jeunesses Musicales*" in Bucharest, Luigi Gageos, and invited to give a tour for 3 years in a row in France, Austria, Hungary, Italy, Greece and Romania, where he managed to regularly play piano concertos with the Philharmonic Orchestra of Sibiu, Romania.

In 2008 he was awarded with a very special prize of his home town "*Ruse 21st century*" for extraordinary accomplishments in the music area.

Martin Ivanov was accepted at the *University of music and performing arts*, Vienna in 2009, where he was placed 3rd out of over 120 candidates. He then became one of the six regular students of the famous musician Prof. Oleg Maisenberg, who, unfortunately, retired a few years later. Since 2012 Martin has been studying with the very active pianist and conductor Prof. Stefan Vladar. As a student at the University Martin has also visited masterclasses of Professors Boris Bloch (Germany) and Mischell Beroff (France).

During his musical life, Martin Ivanov has played at different Festivals, such as "*Peter The Great*" 2007 in Groningen, Netherland, "*San Daniele Piano Meeting*" 2009 in Italy, "*Varna Summer International Festival*" 2008 in Bulgaria, "*Apolonia*" 2012 in Sozopol, Bulgaria, "*Beethoven Festival*" 2013, 2014 in Vienna, "*International Festival de Musica de Toledo*" 2014 in Spain, "*Festival of Pennautier*" 2015 and 2016 in France, "*Chopin Festival Nohant*" 2017 in France

In 2010 he made his debut at *Salle Gaveau* in Paris, thanks to the french pianist and manager Chantal Stigliani, with whom Martin has arranged another project for March 2016, again in Paris. In 2012 Martin Ivanov was invited to play at *Vienna Life Ball* charity event, which attracts famous actors and singers from all over the world.

In 2014 Martin has composed the Operetta "*Der Frühlingsball*" ("*Spring ball*") for which he also wrote the libretto in German and in Bulgarian.

In 2016 he has given a concert tour of 24 concerts in Germany, Austria, Slovakia and Hungary.

In 2017 he recorded all Waltzes by Frederic Chopin and managed to publish it under the management of Austrian's biggest music label "Gramola".

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