

Suomen Chopin-yhdistyksen konsertti / The Chopin Society of Finland concert

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**Sibelius-Akatemian ja Itä-Helsingin musiikkiopiston
nuoret pianistit esiintyvät**

**Featuring young pianists from
Sibelius Academy and East Helsinki Music Institute**



**Tiistaina / Tuesday 28.5.2019
klo 18:00 / at 6:00PM**

**Ackté-sali / Ackté Hall
Sibelius-Akatemia, Töölönkatu 28, Helsinki**

Minori Asaka, Arttu Ollikainen, Beáta Ponyi,
Heta Räisänen, Gustav Schantz, Ráchel Skleničková, Aleksei Zaitsev



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Frédéric Chopin (1810-1849):

Nokturno Es-duuri / Nocturne in E-flat major op. 9 n°2

Beáta Ponyi

Kehtolaulu Des-duuri / Berceuse in D-flat major op. 57

Rachel Skleničková

Nokturno b-molli / Nocturne in B-flat minor op. 9 n°1
Kaksi masurkkaa / Two Mazurkas: op. 17 n°4 ja op. 68 n°2

Gustav Schantz

Nokturno c-molli / Nocturne in C minor op. 48 n°1
Etydi a-molli / Etude in A minor op. 10 n°2

Heta Räisänen

Poloneesi As-duuri / Polonaise in A-flat major op. 53

Minori Asaka

Sonaatti h-molli / Sonata n°3 in B minor op. 58
I. *Allegro maestoso*
Etydi c-molli / Etude in C minor op. 10 n°12

Arttu Ollikainen

Masurkka b-molli / Mazurka in B-flat minor op. 24 n°4
Balladi g-molli / Ballade n°1 in G minor, op. 23

Aleksei Zaitsev

Taiteilijaesittelyt / Artist presentations:

***Beáta Ponyi* (s. 2004)**

14-vuotias Beáta Ponyi aloitti pianonsoiton 10-vuotiaana Itä-Helsingin musiikkiopistossa Katalin Oszaczkyn oppilaana.

Kolmen vuoden opiskelun jälkeen hän osallistui Tapiola-pianokilpailuun vuonna 2017. Beáta otti myös osaa vuoden 2018 Steinway-pianofestivaaliin voittaen ikäryhmänsä kolmannen palkinnon ja Suomen Chopin-yhdistyksen erikoispalkinnon. Markku Klamin johdolla Beáta on säveltänyt muutamia pianokappaleita, kuten yhden Trio-kappaleen huilulle, viululle ja sellolle.

Beáta osallistui mestarikursseihin Antti Hotin, Valéria Szervánszkyn ja Ronald Cavayen johdolla. Beáta pääsi esiintymään lukuisissa konserttitapahtumissa, kuten kirkoiissa ja konserttisaleissa. Hän on myös Kodály-viikkojen vakiintunut osallistuja.

***Rachel Skleničková* (b. 1992)**

began her musical studies at the age of four, taking private piano lessons at Jan Deyl conservatory in Prague. In 2003 (at the age of 11), she attended high school at Gymnázium Jana Nerudy in Prague, which specializes in music studies where she studied piano and classical singing. She then continued to Jan Deyl Conservatory for visually impaired musicians (she is completely blind from birth) from 2006 until 2015 studying piano with MgA. Jana Köhlerová and classical singing with MgA. Naděžda Ostranská, the headmaster of the school. From the beginning of her studies, she was regularly invited to perform at important events and has played for the wife of president of the Czech Republic on her visit to the school and during the celebrations of the 100th anniversary of Jan Deyl conservatory.

During her studies she has successfully taken part in numerous competitions: In 2010, she won third prize at the Competition of Conservatories in Pardubice. In the spring of 2011, she won the Very Special Art Competition and, as one of three winners, she was invited to perform in Washington D.C. In the summer 2013, she performed in the Municipal House of Prague at the Prague Proms festival playing Beethoven's Third Piano Concerto with the Czech National Symphony Orchestra under the lead of Steve Mercurio. In 2016, she performed this piece again at the Prague Spring Festival with the Prague Chamber

Philharmonic Orchestra and Jakub Klecker. In 2015, she also performed at the Spannungen festival in Heimbach with Lars Vogt.

She is currently studying at the Academy of Performing Arts in Prague with prof. Ivan Klánský and Prof. František Malý. In the summer 2017, her first CD was published. The CD was one of eight in a series of CDs supported by The Czech National Symphony Orchestra' Kalkant project, which is supporting young artists by recording and publishing CDs of perspective Czech musicians.

From 2018 she studied at Sibelius Academy in Finland for a year, taking part at Erasmus programme, studying piano with Mrs. Hanna Aho-Oikkonen.

Gustav Schantz (b. 1998)

started playing piano at the age of four with Sandra Brucker before entering the “Lilla Akademien” music school, and then began studying with Victoria Power in 2012.

Since then, he has participated in many competitions, placing 3rd in Rovero d`Oro in San Bartolomeo, 2nd in the Savshinsky International Competition in St. Petersburg, and 1st in the Stockholm International Piano Competition in 2015. In 2018, Gustav won a school audition to play Ravel’s 1st Piano Concerto in the concert hall of Helsinki.

He has also won many scholarships such as the Mai von Rosen for young pianist, and played in concert halls like the Berwald Hall, Concert Hall of Helsinki, Royal Palace of Stockholm, House of Nobility, and Castello di Corniglio.

Gustav has participated in masterclasses around the world, playing for pianists like Matti Raekallio, Eugen Indjic and Roland Pöntinen. Gustav is currently completing his Bachelor at the Sibelius Academy under Irina Zahharenkova and Tuija Hakkila.

Heta Räisänen (b. 2000)

Heta Räisänen is a 19-year-old pianist from Kuopio, Finland. She is studying towards her Bachelor’s degree of Music at the Sibelius Academy. She started her studies in September 2018.

She started playing the piano when she was 5 years old. First she studied 6 years at a little music institute in Kuopio with Kati Pasanen and in 2011 she was admitted to the Kuopio Conservatory of Music where her teacher was Ella Untamala.

From 2013 to 2017, she was also studying at the Youth Piano Academy Finland. Last year she studied in the Youth Department of the Sibelius Academy with Niklas Pokki and Teppo Koivisto. Last spring she was accepted to the Sibelius Academy as a degree-seeking student.

She has taken many masterclasses, such as Suolahti International Summer Music Festival and Savonlinna Summer Music Academy with such distinguished pianists as Paavali Jumppanen, Henri Sigfridsson, Erik T. Tawaststjerna, Matti Raekallio, Antti Siirala, Boris Berman, Hyung-Ki Joo, Claudio Martinez Mehner, Emanuel Krasovsky and Aquiles Delle Vigne.

She has been successful in many piano competitions, for example, the Kuopio Piano Competition in 2017 (first prize), Leevi Madetoja Piano Competition in 2015 and Steinway Piano Festival. She has also performed a lot, for example, at the National Chopin Piano Festival, Pasimusic Festival, Pirkanmaa Piano Festival, Kuopio Winter Chamber Festival, Mänttä Music Festival and in Steingraeber-Haus in Bayreuth, Germany.

***Minori Asaka* (b. 1990)**

is from Shibata, Japan. She started playing the piano at the age of 4. She won several prizes in the Japan Piano Teacher's Association National Piano Audition.

She graduated from Tokyo University of the Arts, she got a master's degree from the graduate school of music at Tokyo University of the Arts. She had solo recitals and concertos with Niigata Chamber Orchestra. She has studied with Associate Professor Hiroshi Arimori, Assistant Professor Hideto Nishikawa, Prof. Atsuko Okada and Ms. Mami Ootani. She has participated in master classes with Henri Barda, Anne Queffelec, and Igor Lebedev.

She is a master's degree student and also studying with Jussi Siirala at Sibelius Academy.

***Artru Ollikainen* (s. 1996)**

on opiskellut pianonsoittoa viisivuotiaasta lähtien ensin yksityistunneilla ja sitten Porin Palmgren-konservatoriossa Lea Lennekseen ja Jussi Rinnan oppilaana. Vuonna 2013 hänet valittiin opiskelemaan nuorille lahjakkuksille tarkoitettuun valtakunnalliseen Nuorten Pianoakatemiaan. Vuodesta 2015 Ollikainen on opiskellut pianonsoittoa Taideyliopiston Sibelius-Akatemiassa Hui-Ying Liu-Tawaststjernan oppilaana.

Ollikainen on palkittu Satakunnan pianokilpailussa vuosina 2012 ja 2015, Pianoaura-kilpailussa 2013, Leevi Madetoja- pianokilpailussa 2015 sekä Helmi Vesa -kilpailussa 2019. Hän on esiintynyt Kemiönsaaren musiikkijuhlilla vuonna 2013, Pianoaura-festivaalilla 2014, Egerissä Unkarissa Kulttuurifestivaalilla 2015, Bayreuthissa Saksassa 2017 ja Crossing Keyboards -konsertissa Islannissa 2018. Ollikainen on lisäksi esiintynyt Oulu Sinfonian, Pori Sinfoniettan sekä Helsingin NMKY:n orkesterin solistina. Ollikainen on osallistunut lukuisille sekä kotimaisten että ulkomaisten pianistien mestarikursseille. Tärkeimmistä mestarikurssiopettajista mainittakoon Paavali Jumppanen, Antti Siirala, Claudio Martinez-Mehner, Boris Berman sekä Richard Goode.

Aleksei Zaitsev (s. 1995)

aloitti musiikkiopintonsa Keski-Karjalan musiikkiopistossa Tatjana Ylitalon opetuksessa ja jatkoi myöhemmin Irina Zahharenkovan oppilaana Kuopiossa. Vuodesta 2011 Aleksei on opiskellut Sibelius-Akatemiassa Hui-Ying Liu-Tawaststjernan johdolla ja syksystä 2018 alkaen myös Teppo Koiviston oppilaana. Lisäoppia Aleksei on saanut prof. Erik T. Tawaststjernan, Akiko Ebin, Ralf Gothónin, Emanuel Krasovskyn, Antti Siiralan ja Olli Mustosen mestarikursseilta.

Aleksei on osallistunut menestyksekäälti useisiin kansallisii sekä kansainväliin pianokilpailuihin: Kuopion pianokilpailu (2. sija, 2011), Jyväskylän Ilmari Hannikainen – pianokilpailu (semifinalisti 2014), New Yorkin 7. kansainvälinen pianokilpailu (finalisti 2014) ja Helmi Vesa - pianokilpailu (2019). Vuonna 2017 Aleksei valittiin edustamaan Suomea kansainvälisessä Maj Lind -pianokilpailussa.

Aleksei on esiintynyt niin orkesterin solistina, kamarimuusikkona kuin myös omin konsertein Suomessa, Virossa, Latviassa, Liettuassa, Belgiaassa, Ranskassa, Espanjassa, Japanissa ja Yhdysvalloissa. Suomessa Zaitsev on esiintynyt muun muassa Lempäälä Soi – festivaalilla, Joutsenon Taidekesä -festivaalilla sekä Mäntän musiikkijuhlilla vuonna 2014. Aleksei on soittanut Joensuun kaupunginorkesterin solistina Arturo Alvaradon johdolla ja Maxim Vengerovin johtaman Musica Mundi - festivaaliorkesterin solistina Belgiaassa.

Muusikon polullaan Zaitsevia ovat tukeneet Martin Wegeliksen säätiö, Pro Musica -säätiö sekä Suomen Kulttuurirahaston Pohjois-Karjalan maakuntarahasto.



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