

Rostislav YOVCHEV, Ph.D.

Born in Sofia in 1961. He began learning piano at age six with Margarita Hlebarova, then graduated Music College 'L. Pipkov' in the class of Lyudmila Stoyanova. In 1984 he completed his Bachelor and Master degrees from the Bulgarian State Conservatory in the class of Prof. Atanas Kourtev. He is a laureate of numerous national and international competitions. Rostislav Yovchev actively performs as a soloist, chamber musician and gives masterclasses in Bulgaria, Germany, Belgium, Spain, Poland, Hungary, Romania, Croatia, Cyprus, Turkey, South Korea, Tunisia and others. He takes part in the most prestigious festivals in Bulgaria and abroad: 'Salon des Arts', 'Sofia Music Weeks', 'Varna Summer', 'Hopes, Talents, Masters', 'Apollonia', 'Philharmonika', etc.

His repertoire covers all styles and ages, as it includes some large and rarely performed works, such as: 'Variations on a Waltz by Diabelli' by Beethoven, The Great Sonata of Tchaikovsky, Suite 'Iberia' by Isaac Albenis, almost all solo works by Bela Bartok and many Bulgarian works. During the period 2006 - 2008, Rostislav Yovchev performed all Piano Concertos by L. van Beethoven, accompanied by the Shumen Philharmonic.

He is the Winner of the 'Crystal Lyre' of the Union of Bulgarian Musicians and Dancers in two categories: 'Instrumentalists' and 'Music critic' in 2011 and the 'Golden Lyre'.

In June 2013, he received his PhD with a theme related to the Bulgarian piano music.

Rostislav Yovchev is a Piano professor at the National Music Academy 'Pancho Vladigerov' in Sofia, and a Head of Department - Piano to the Theory, Composition and Conducting Department.



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CYRUS CHAN

Piano Concerto no.2 op.19 in B-flat Major L. VAN BEETHOVEN
I. Allegro con brio

CHRISTIAN HSIEH

Variations on a Theme by Dobri Hristov A. STOYANOV
Old Clock and Horo V. STOYANOV

BRENDEN DAVIS

Sonata op.31 no.2 in d minor L. VAN BEETHOVEN
I. Largo - Allegro

TIMOTHY PANG

Sonata in C major KV 545 W. A. MOZART
I. Rondo - Allegretto grazioso
Waltz op.64 no.2 in c-sharp minor F. CHOPIN

ALEJANDRO DEL RIVERO

Sonata op.13 in c minor L. VAN BEETHOVEN
I. Grave - Allegro di molto e con brio

JASON YU

Hungarian Rhapsody no.6 in D-flat Major F. LISZT

INTERMISSION

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Two Nocturnes F. CHOPIN
I. Op.9 No.1 in B-flat minor
II. Op. Posth. in c-sharp minor

Two Preludes S. RACHMANINOV
I. Op.32 No.2 in b-flat minor
II. Op.23 No.7 in c minor

Two Preludes C. DEBUSSY
I. La cathedrale engloutie
II. Feux d'artifice

Music Box Pieces for Children K. MILETKOV
I. Colombine and the Harlequin
II. The Wolf

III. The Steam Locomotive

Suite (dedicated to Rostislav Yovchev) J. GOSHEV
I. The Song of the Crows

Sonatina - Brillante (dedicated to Rostislav Yovchev) F. PAVLOV
Episodes op.36 no.5 P. VLADIGEROV
I. Toccata