

Artistic and professional *resume* of Joanna Marcinkowska

Joanna Marcinkowska graduated with honors from the Ignacy Jan Paderewski Academy of Music of Poznań in the class of Prof. Waldemar Andrzejewski, whose assistant she subsequently became. In 2014 she was conferred the academic degree of PhD Hab. of Musical Arts and from 2016 she is a Professor at the Department of the Pianoforte of the Academy in Poznań.

She is a leading Polish pianist of the younger generation. She has won awards and prizes at twenty-one international and Polish piano competitions and festivals, including:

- the 1st prize at the International Piano Competition “Artur Rubinstein In Memoriam” in Bydgoszcz(1996);
- the 1st prize at the 7th European Chopin Competition in Darmstadt (2002);
- the 2nd prize and a special award for the best performance of pieces by Szymanowski at the 5th International Karol Szymanowski Competition in Łódź (2001);
- the 3rd prize and an award of the audience at the 5th International Piano Competition in Cologne, Germany(2001);
- the main prize at the 30th Festival of Polish Piano Music in Słupsk (1996).

Joanna Marcinkowska has given recitals and performed as a soloist with symphony orchestras in many cities of Poland. She has appeared with such renowned ensembles as the Polish Radio Chamber Orchestra “Amadeus” under Agnieszka Duczmal or the Orchestra “Concerto Avenna” under Andrzej Mysiński, and with distinguished Polish and foreign conductors including Massimiliano Caldi, Helmuth Froschauer, Ian Hobson, Bohdan Jarmołowicz, Vladimir Kiradjiev, Agnieszka Kreiner, Aleksandar Marković, Andrzej Mysiński, Marcin Nałęcz-Niesiołowski, Grzegorz Nowak, Marek Pijarowski, Janusz Przybylski, Wojciech Rajski, Jerzy Salwarowski, Till Schwabenbauer, Gert Sell, Ruben Silva, Tadeusz Strugała, Ewa Strusińska, Piotr Wijatkowski, Jan Miłosz Zarzycki. She has given recitals abroad in Austria, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, Macedonia, the Netherlands, Portugal and Sweden, and outside Europe in the USA and China.

She has taken part in numerous prestigious piano festivals in Poland and abroad. She gave recitals and performed as a soloist with symphony orchestras at International Chopin Festivals in Duszniki-Zdrój (1997, 2000), Antonin (“Chopin in the Colors of the Autumn,” 1996,2012, 2016), Vienna (1999), in Salzburg at the famous Mozarteum-Saal (1999), Gaming (1997), at the International Festival “Eminent Winners of Piano Competitions” in Hanover (2002), at Festivals of Polish Piano Music in Słupsk (1996, 2000, 2004, 2007, 2011, 2013, 2016), the Paderewski Festival in Warsaw (2014), the Festival “Paderewski Days” in Kąsna Dolna, the Festival “Music and Visual Arts” in Lublin, the 1st International Artur Rubinstein Festival in Łódź (2008), the 1st Chopin Festival “Chopiniada” at the Little Philharmonic in Puszczykowo, the 2nd Musical Festival “Barbakan” in Kraków (2009), the Festival “The Stars Promote” in Jelenia Góra (2010), the Festival “Piano Passion” in Saint-Étienne (2010), the

Festival "Frederic Chopin Spring" in Gliwice (2012) and the Witold Lutosławski Festival in Szczecin (2000); at the latter event she gave the première performance of the 4th Piano Sonata by the Poznań composer Miroslaw Bukowski. In 2002 she gave recitals of pieces by Karol Szymanowski at International Musical Festivals in Sofia and Plovdiv (Bulgaria).

Joanna Marcinkowska has recorded compositions by W. A. Mozart, J. Haydn, R. Schumann, F. Chopin, I. J. Paderewski, P. Czajkowski, C. Debussy and K. Szymanowski, released on compact disks and cassettes. The television programs in which she has performed include a recital of music by Chopin, recorded on the 187th anniversary of the composer's birthday. She has also recorded a program of Chopin's music for Ra-dio "Merkury." She sits on the jury of competitions and conducts piano master classes at home and abroad. In 2009, she conducted a two weeks Master Piano Class at the Central School at the Conservatory of Music in Beijing. She also gave a special piano recital in that city.

Joanna Marcinkowska has earned the Medal of the Young Arts, awarded to Poznań artists of the young generation for outstanding achievements, and the Hipolit Cegielski Medal of the Young Positivist for successful organic work, the Merit to Polish Culture distinction. Furthermore, on numerous occasions she has been granted artistic scholarships of the Minister of Culture of the Republic of Poland and the Fryderyk Chopin Society of Warsaw, as well as those of the City of Poznań and the Marshal of the Province of Greater Poland. In 2013 she received the Artistic Award of the Marshal of the Province of Greater Poland and in 2015 the Rector Award of the Academy of Music in Poznań.