

Alexander Karpeyev
BIOGRAPHY

Alexander Karpeyev began playing the piano at age 7, studying at the Children's Music School in Saratov. In 2000 he entered the Moscow State Tchaikovsky Conservatory where he studied with Professors Alexander Mndoyants and Vera Gornostayeva. He graduated with the highest honours in 2005 and won a scholarship to the Guildhall School of Music and Drama in London where he is a student of Prof Joan Havill. He is currently pursuing a doctorate arranged jointly with City University of London.

Alexander has been a major prizewinner in many international competitions including the 1998 Ibla Grand Prize, Ragusa, Italy; the 2001 International Competition for Young Musicians, Enschede, Netherlands; the 2004 Competition «Arthur Rubinstein in memoriam», Bydgoszcz, Poland; the 2004 Adilia Alieva International Piano Competition, Gaillard, France; the 2006 Tunbridge Wells International Concert Artist Competition and the 2009 Amy Brant International Piano competition, Birmingham (UK).

He won First Prizes at the 2006 Oxford Music Festival's «Professional Piano Recital» Competition, the 2007 Dudley International Piano Competition and the Norah Sande Award 2008. He was awarded The Worshipful Company of Musicians' Silver Medal in 2008.

Alexander has given recitals in the major venues of the UK (Purcell Room, Barbican, Cadogan, Royal Festival, Wigmore and Queen Elizabeth Halls in London; Bridgewater Hall in Manchester). Abroad, he has performed as a soloist and chamber musician in Belgium, Greece, Japan, Poland, Russia, Spain, Switzerland, United States and Ukraine. He has featured on the Performance Channel of Sky Television and BBC Radio 3.