

MORIKAWA Yukako



Yukako Morikawa was born in Tokyo, Japan. She took piano lessons from Ikuko Yamaguchi, Yasuko Kubota and Prof. Atuko Jinzai. She studied at Toho Music High School Tokyo under Kyoko Ohashi, later under Prof. Martin Hughes and Prof. Rainer Becker at Universität der Künste Berlin, graduated „Diplom“. She continued studying on the Soloist course “Konzertexamen” under Prof. Robert Benz at Staatliche Hochschule für Musik und Darstellende Kunst Mannheim and completed her “Konzertexamen” with the best score.

She participated various master courses – under Bernhard Wambach, Théodore Paraskivesco, Bernard Ringeissen and Bruno Leonardo Gelber, in 2001 Participation in the 6th Hamamatsu International Piano Academy (under Hiroko Nakamura, John O’Conor, Sergio Perticaroli, Jacques Rouvier and Oxana Yablonskaya).

She won the prizes at the various international competitions in Rome, in Calabria, in Epinal, in Barcelona und beim Brahms-Wettbewerb in Pörtschach with the chamber music.

Her performance of Mozart's Piano Concerto KV466 with the Berlin Symphony Orchestra received high acclaim and she has been invited back every year since. She has already more than 20 appearances at the Berlin Philharmonic Hall.

Yukako Morikawa is a devoted chamber musician, and has been invited by many international festivals to perform with musicians.

Additionally the performance of Yukako Morikawa was broadcasted among NDR, HR, SWR und das Schweizer Radio DRS2.

She serves on Faculty of the Hochschule für Musik Hanns Eisler Berlin and the Universität der Künste Berlin as a collaborative pianist. She works regularly as official pianist for international competitions and the instrumental master courses with such eminent artists as, Nora Chastain, Ana Chumachenco, Mark Gothoni, Stephan Picard, Christian Tetzlaff, Elisabeth Weber, Antje Weithaas or Laura Ruiz Ferreres.