

## Chizu Miyamoto



Chizu Miyamoto was born in Nagano, Japan. She started to play the piano at the age of four with her mother, then continued to study at the Toho Gakuen High School of Music and the Toho Gakuen Tokyo with Prof. Kazuko Ariga, where she completed her artist degree and music education degree. She has been living in Vienna since 2001, and studied instrumental accompaniment and chamber music at the Conservatory of Music in Vienna with Dr. Johannes Kropfisch and the Altenberg trio Wien. In 2005 she graduated with full honors.

Chizu Miyamoto has performed in various chamber music formations in a number of reputable music festivals such as Rachlin and friends in Dubrovnik, the Cello Biennale Amsterdam, the Sion Festival, the Estate Musicale Portogruaro in Italy, the Eilat Music Festival in Israel, the Nagano Aspen Music Festival in Japan, the Harriet and Friends Festival in Austria, the Bruckner Festival in Linz, the Richard Strauss Festival in Garmisch-Partenkirchen in Bavaria and the Kronberg Cello Akademie.

In 2013, she played a very successful concert together with the violinist Maxim Vengerov and together with the young Dutch cellist Harriet Krijgh they played together in Germany and the Netherlands in festivals such as the Festspiele Mecklenburg-Vorpommern and the Cello Viennale in Amsterdam.

She regularly plays solo recitals in her home country Japan, where she also won the silver medal at the Kawai Music Competition. Since 2005, Chizu Miyamoto works at the Musik und Kunst Privatuniversität der Stadt Wien and is the accompanist in the class of Prof. Pavel Vernikov (Violin) and Lilia Schulz-Bayrova (Cello).

Her specialty is working with violinists. She was the official accompanist of various international violin competitions like the Fritz Kreisler competition in Vienna, the Tibor Varga competition in Switzerland and the Johannes Brahms competition in Austria, and has accompanied violinists in many music masterclasses in Europe and Japan.

In 2010, she received the special award for the best piano accompanist of the David Oistrakh competition in Moscow.