

TZU-YI ZOE CHEN, PIANIST

Born in Taipei, Taiwan, pianist Tzu-Yi Chen has been studying music passionately since the age at three. Her passion has taken her all over the world for study and performance.

Tzu-Yi has earned a master from the Paris Conservatory and a P.H.D. in piano performance from the National Karlsruhe Music University in Germany, following in footsteps of history's greatest musicians. Tzu-Yi studied Ravel in Paris with Jacques Rouvier, Beethoven at Karlsruhe, and Rachmaninoff with Russian masters.

Tzu-Yi has been based in the Washington D.C. area since 2014, teaching at the Levine School of Music and serving on the music staff at Taiwanese Presbyterian Church in D.C. Before relocating to D.C., she studied Artist Diploma at Columbus State University's Schwob School of Music in Georgia. After graduation, Tzu-Yi co-founded the International Friendship Ministries' Arts Academy to teach children and youth, drawing them the same things she discovered as a child.



At the 2015 Liszt-Garrison Festival and International Piano Competition in Baltimore, she won the 2nd prize as well as the Best Interpretation Award and the Béla Bartók Award. Among Tzu-Yi's first-prize awards are those from the International Piano Competition of Mauro Paolo Monopoli and Cantu in Italy, the Scholarship Competition of the Pro-Mozart Society of Atlanta, and the Atlanta Music Club. She is also laureate at International Chopin Piano Competition in Darmstadt, Germany and at Chopin Piano Competition in Taipei, Taiwan. She is also an Artist Roster at New Asia Chamber Music Society, N.Y.

Recent performance credits include the 2018 piano recitals at Auburn University, AL; Steinway Gala concert at Columbus State University, GA; Clarinet-Piano Duo recital in Church of Epiphany in Washington D.C.; New Asia Chamber Music Society Gala Concert in Merkin Concert Hall, NY; Piano duo concert in Dimenna Center, NY; 2017 the 60th anniversary celebration concert of Taiwan-Paraguay Diplomatic Relation in Central Bank of Asuncion, Paraguay; 4Strings music festival in Ellenville, NY; "Friends of Music" concert series in Stamford, NY; 2017 TACEC concert at West Chester University in Pennsylvania; 2017 Taiwanese "228 Memorial" Concert in Rockville, Maryland; the Strathmore Mansion concert series in Maryland; the Steinway Gallery Concert Series in Washington,

D.C.; the Taipei Economic Cultural Center concert series in NY; the Twin-Oaks 80 years anniversary celebration concert in TECRO, D.C.; the Auditorium at Wesleyan College in Macon, Georgia; concerto appearances with Space Coast Symphony in Melbourne, Florida. In 2016 she was presented in Ponce, Puerto Rico, in Church of Epiphany D.C, and in National Concert Hall in Taiwan. A prominent career highlight for Tzu-Yi was her 2014 debut in Carnegie Weill Recital Hall in New York.

In 2018, Tzu-Yi and Dr. Winnie Yang formed a piano duo—Renaissance Duo, that displays a wide array of piano repertoire to exemplify all that it can mean to be a Duo: a doubling of power, the amplification of artistry, and the creation of an eloquent lyricism.