

Kasumi Yui // Pianist



„Your playing goes right under the skin...” – Pavel Gililov

Vienna-based Japanese pianist **KASUMI YUI** has appeared at Vienna’s Musikverein and Konzerthaus, London’s Wigmore Hall and has collaborated with the Küchl Quartett in Vienna’s MuTh alongside members of the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra. She performs regularly in various venues in Austria, Germany, France, Bulgaria, Italy, Japan and Switzerland.

KASUMI was most recently awarded *First Prize* along with the *Special Prize* of the Neue Kuenstlerforum in the chamber music category at the 23rd International Johannes Brahms Competition in Poertschach, Austria. The news was widely covered in the Japanese media including the NHK, Kyodo-News, TV-Asahi and Mainichi-Shinbun. She has since been invited to festivals such as the PODIUM Festival Moedling (Austria), the Daejeon Chamber Music Festival (Korea) and Festival Bergerac (France) among others. Furthermore, KASUMI has recorded for the Austrian national radio (Ö1 and ORF).

KASUMI is a member of “Trio Parémi” since 2020. They have performed venues and festivals such as the Philharmonic Hall in Opole, the int. Chamber Music Festival Nowogrodziec

(Poland) and the Niederösterreichischen Musiksommer (Austria). They made their debut at the Vienna Konzerthaus, where the concert was broadcasted on Austrian Radio and as a streaming concert. They premiered their programme “Revolutionary Women” in April 2023, a programme solely consisting of works by women composers, at the Vienna Musikverein. With her duo partner Dmytro Udovychenko, KASUMI will be giving concerts in Japan, Austria and Germany in the Season 2023/24 with lesser-known works of composers with Russian and Ukrainian roots.

An avid lover of chamber music, KASUMI enjoys collaborating with young, passionate musicians as part of the Villa Musica Foundation in Germany alongside mentors such as Boris Garlitsky, Alexander Hülshoff and Amanda Forsyth. Her chamber music partners include Michael Havlicek, the Küchl Quartet and members of the Simply Quartet.

In 2001 KASUMI won a scholarship to study with Benjamin Kaplan and Roshan Magub at the *Purcell School of Music*, England. KASUMI lives in Vienna since 2009. She has earned her Bachelor and Master’s Degree at the *University of Music and Performing Arts Vienna* in Solo Performance and in Chamber Music respectively. She also receives valuable guidance from Avedis Kouyoumdjian, Tamara Atschba, Stefan Mendl, Dora Schwarzberg, Johannes Meissl, Pavel Gililov, Péter Nagy, Roshan Magub, Rainer Küchl, Lothar Strauss and Clive Brown.

Highlights of the 23/24 season include an appearance at the “Emilia Romagna” Festival (Italy), trio recitals as part of “Jeunesse” (Austria) and duo recitals in Germany.

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