

DEZSÖ RANKI piano

Dezső Ranki is considered today one of the best Hungarian pianists. He is acknowledged in the classical (Mozart, Beethoven), the romantic (Schubert, Schumann) and the modern (Bartok, Kurtag) repertoire as well.

He studied at the Franz-Liszt Academy with Pal Kadosa. He began his international career after he won the Robert Schumann Competition in Germany in 1969. Since then, he has been giving regularly concerts in most of the European countries, North and South America as well as Japan and South Korea. Beside the recitals, he has played with orchestras such as Berlin Philharmonic, London Philharmonic, English Chamber Orchestra, Concertgebouw Amsterdam, Netherlands Radio Philharmonic Orchestra, Orchestre National de France, Konzerthausorchester Berlin, Symphonieorchester des Bayerischen Rundfunks, Gewandhausorchester Leipzig, Dresdner Philharmonie, Stuttgart Kammerorchester, Deutsche Radio Philharmonie, Orchestre de la Suisse Romande, Orchestre Philharmonique Royal de Liège, Budapest Festival Orchestra, Warsaw Philharmonic, Seoul Philharmonic Orchestra, N.H.K. Tokyo under Frans Brüggen, Ivan Fischer, Vladimir Jurowski, Kirill Kondrashin, Zubin Mehta, Lorin Maazel, Daniele Gatti, Zoltan Kocsis, Gennady Roshdestvensky, Kurt Sanderling, Sir Georg Solti and Jeffrey Tate.

Dezső Ranki is guest at the most famous festivals as Ascona, Lockenhaus, Prague Spring, Weimar, Schwetzingen Festspiele, Wiener Festwochen, MDR Musiksommer, Kissinger Summer, Festspielhaus Baden-Baden, Schumannfest Düsseldorf, Grange de Meslay et Roque d'Anthéron.

Dezső Ranki recordings are issued by Teldec, Quint Records and Denon. For his interpretation of the Chopin' Etudes, Op. 10 he was awarded the "Grand Prix du Disque". The Bartok' Mikrokosmos for Teldec gained a great acclaim.

He also plays regularly two pianos and piano-four-hands recital with Edit Klukon. Their last published CD-s feature works of Satie and Liszt, and two piano pieces of Barnabás Dukay. Their latest project includes the performance of the complete Symphonic poems by Franz Liszt that they present in several concerts.

Dezső Ranki received numerous awards in the course of his career, among them the Liszt, the Kossuth and the Bartók-Pásztory Prizes.