

## GOTTLIEB WALLISCH - Piano

Gottlieb Wallisch is one of the fastest rising representatives of the younger generation of Austrian artists; Virtuosity and sovereign individuality are the hallmarks of his playing.

Born in 1978 in Vienna into a family of musicians, Gottlieb received his first piano lessons from his mother at the age of four.

At the age of six and half he began his studies at the Vienna University of Music and Drama he studied with Heinz Medjimorec and graduated with honours from this University. Gottlieb Wallisch received further important artistic influence from Oleg Maisenberg, Dmitrij Bashkirov and participated in master classes given by Stephen Kovacevich. At the age of 16, the young pianist won the first prize in the prestigious international piano competition "*The Stravinsky Awards*"(USA) His most recent successes include becoming a finalist of the 1999 "Queen Elisabeth International Piano Competition" in Brussels and at the XXI Concours Clara Haskil in Vevey in 2005..

Gottlieb Wallisch has performed with leading orchestras including the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, the Radio Symphony Orchestra Vienna, the Gustav Mahler Youth Orchestra, the Sinfonia Varsovia, the Stuttgart Chamber Orchestra, the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra, the London Philharmonic Youth Orchestra, and the Zagreb Philharmonic Orchestra, under conductors such as Giuseppe Sinopoli, Dennis Russell Davies, Lord Yehudi Menuhin, Louis Langrée, Sir Neville Marriner, Lawrence Foster and Helmut Müller-Brühl. Numerous concert tours have taken him to the USA (Carnegie Hall, Washington DC), Great Britain (Wigmore Hall, Queen Elizabeth Hall), Japan, Hong Kong, the Middle East, Africa and many European countries, including Spain, Germany and Switzerland.

In 2001/02 season he participated in the international cycle "Rising Stars" and gave solo recitals in the largest European capitals as well as in the USA (Musikverein Vienna, Konserthus Stockholm, Société Philharmonique in Brussels, the Athens Concert Hall, Wigmore Hall, London and the Carnegie Hall, New York).

He has appeared at renowned festivals and concert halls, for example the Lucerne Festival, Piano Festival Ruhr, Schubertiade Schwarzenberg, Tonhalle Zürich, Carinthian Summer, Klangspuren Schwarz and many more. In the summer of 2002, Gottlieb Wallisch gave his much-acclaimed debut at the Salzburg Festival. Recent seasons have seen him performing at the Musikhalle Hamburg, the Kölner Philharmonie, "De Doelen" Rotterdam and the Wiener Festwochen.

Gottlieb Wallisch has broadcast amongst other for ORF Radio, Austria, Radio France International, RTBF Belgium and the BBC London and Minnesota Public Radio. His CD publications include works by Haydn, Schumann, Brahms, Schubert and Stravinsky as well as works by Mozart, Strauss and Pfitzner. His most recent CD of Schubert Piano Sonatas –Vol 3 on the Naxos label will be released in October 2007

In the season 2006/07 orchestral appearances include concerts with the Camerata Salzburg at the Singapore Arts Festival, a cycle of three Mozart concerts at the Musikverein in Vienna, a debut concert at the Newbury International Festival, recitals throughout the UK, The Beethoven Festival in Bonn and performances in Budapest with the Wiener Virtuosen.

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