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## Biography of Jekaterina Rostovtseva

Jekaterina Rostovtseva studied piano at the Estonian Academy of Music and Theatre under Professor Peep Lassmann from 1998 to 2006, where she earned a Master's Degree. Throughout her career, she has participated in master classes led by renowned pianists, including Lazar and Valentina Berman, Angela Hewitt, Joanna MacGregor, Kalle Randalu, Viktor Merzhanov, Boris Berman, Arbo Valdma, Walter Blankenheim. Since 1998, she has been working as a dedicated piano teacher.

In 2014, Jekaterina was honored as the Best Young Piano Teacher of the Year by the Estonian Piano Teacher Association. In recognition of her contributions to music education, she received pedagogical acknowledgment from the Cultural Endowment of Estonia in 2022.

Her students have achieved remarkable success, winning awards in various national and international competitions across countries such as Italy, France, Latvia, Serbia, Slovenia, the USA, China, Spain, Germany, Austria, the Czech Republic, Lithuania, Estonia, and Israel. They have also participated in prestigious music festivals, including the Lille Piano Festival, Piano City Milano, and the Festival Brin d'Herbe in Orléans, France.

Jekaterina Rostovtseva has served as a jury member for international competitions for young pianists. Furthermore, she has been recognized with numerous teaching awards at various piano competitions throughout Europe.

Currently, Jekaterina is a lecturer at the Institute of Interpretation Pedagogics at the Estonian Academy of Music and Theatre, as well as a piano teacher at the Tallinn College of Music and Ballet (MUBA) and the Old Town Music School in Tallinn.

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