

Kurt Leimer Masterclass 2015

Prof. Markus Becker, Hannover
**7th-10th March 2015 at the Zurich University
of the Arts (ZHdK)**

The Kurt Leimer Foundation organizes the first *Kurt Leimer Masterclass* for piano in collaboration with the Zürich University of the Arts (ZHdK). The internationally performing pianist Markus Becker, professor at the University of Arts and Media in Hannover, will act as faculty member. The masterclass is dedicated to the pianist Kurt Leimer (1920–1974) and takes place from Saturday, 7th of March 2015 (3 p.m.) until Tuesday, 10th March 2015 (with a final concert in the evening) at the ZHdK, Toni-Areal.

The course is addressed to Master students and graduates of the European universities of arts. Each of the up to 10 chosen participants of the class will attend three private lessons which will be held publicly. The choice of repertoire is free; participants are invited to play one piano sonata of Joseph Haydn. At least two representative works of the piano literature covering different eras are expected to be performed. Among others, during the private lessons, participants will work intensively on the romantic repertoire, which was highly appreciated by Kurt Leimer himself. Supporting advancements of young talented pianists, which is one purpose of the Kurt Leimer Foundation, the participation in the *Kurt Leimer Masterclass* is free of charge. However, participants will bear their own expenses (e.g. travel expenses, accommodation etc.).

Additionally, the *Kurt Leimer Masterclass* will hold panel discussions focussing on topics such as comparative interpretation and career planning. During the private lessons, the students will work on the repertoire that they are preparing in the context of other competitions and concerts. At the final concert on the 10th of March 2015, the young pianists will be able to perform some of the pieces in front of an audience. Eventually, one of the participants will be given the opportunity to perform at the Davos Festival 2016.

Please send your application to Hiromi Gut (h.gut@kurtleimer.ch) until
Monday, 15th of December 2014.

Application Kurt Leimer Masterclass 2015

Personal information

First Name/Last Name

Date of Birth (day/month/year)

Reference

Contact

Street/no.

Zip code/City

Phone (incl. area code)

Country

Email

Academic information

At which University of Arts are you currently immatriculated?

(Please provide two pictures appropriate to be published and your CV)

Chosen repertoire for masterclass

At least two representative works from different eras.

Place/date

Signature

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