

Ziye Tao

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Biography

Ziye Tao (19) began playing the piano at the age of four and held his first piano recital in Beijing when he was ten. Over the past decade, he has performed at many concert halls across China, including Shanghai, Guangzhou, Shandong, Henan, and Shenyang, as well as the Steinway Hall in Beijing and Xi'an and the public spaces of the National Centre for the Performing Arts. Ziye has also participated in several festivals and given performances at PianoTexas in the U.S. and Virtuoso&Belcanto in Italy. With his sensitive hearing and immense inner strength, he brings a unique energy to each performance.

This year, Ziye won first prize at the Aarhus International Piano Competition in Denmark, along with the Carl Nielsen Special Prize. He performed Chopin's Piano Concerto No. 2 with conductor Anna Skryleva and the Aarhus Symphony Orchestra. In the upcoming season, he will perform with the Copenhagen Philharmonic, the Aarhus Symphony Orchestra, and the Sønderjyllands Symphony Orchestra.

Ziye Tao studies with Prof. Dang Thai Son at Oberlin Conservatory in the U.S., where he holds a full scholarship. He also studies with Prof. Mai Su in Beijing. He has participated in masterclasses with renowned musicians such as Sa Chen, Vadym Kholodenko, Kevin Kenner, Jean-Efflam Bavouzet, and Imogen Cooper. He was accepted with first place into the Primary School of the Central Conservatory of Music in Beijing at a young age and continued his studies there through high school.