



### **MERT HAKAN ŞEKER**

Mert Hakan Seker, born on 22 July 2006 in Eskisehir has been studying piano for almost 8 years.

Passing the Extraordinary Talents Examination of Science and Arts Center (BİLSEM) in 2015, Mert Hakan Şeker received education in Eskişehir Emir Şahbaz Science and Arts Center as BİLSEM student for 2 years.

Currently, Mert Hakan Şeker is pursuing his piano education in Joseph Haydn Konservatorium in Austria.

## INTERNATIONAL PIANO COMPETITIONS AND MUSIC FESTIVALS ATTENDED

**SPAIN** "Great Piano Masters" International Piano Competition **First Prize** (2022)

Baden Württemberg / **GERMANY** "MusicFireworks At Baden Württemberg" International Piano Competition **First Prize** (2020)

**U.S.A.** " Semper Online Music Competition " International Piano Competition **First Prize** and one of the 6 people who got the highest score from the jury in the competition, was invited to perform in New York Carnegie Hall in 2021, one of the most important concert halls in the world. (2020 )

Gaziantep / **TURKEY** 'Internationale Online Piano Festival' International Piano Competition **First Prize** and **Grand Prize** (2020)

Napoli/ **ITALYA** "Festival Del Golfo 2. World Competition Of Musical " International Piano Competition **First Prize** and **Grand Prize** (2018)

Rome / **ITALY** "Grand Prize Virtuoso" International Piano Competition **First Prize** (2017)

Stockholm / **SWEDEN** " Stockholm International Music Competition " International Piano Competition **First Prize** (2017)

Baden Württemberg / **GERMANY** "MusicFireworks At Baden Württemberg" International Piano Competition **First Prize** (2017)

Tenerife / **SPAIN** "Stars At Tenerife" International Piano Competition **First Prize** (2016)

Albena / **BULGARIA** "Heirs Of Orpheus" International Piano Competition **First Prize** (2016)

Nilüfer / Bursa / **TURKEY** International Piano Competition **Second Prize** (2016)

Istanbul / **TURKEY** Pera International Piano Competition **Second Prize** (2016)

He was invited as a young talent to the "Stars of the 2020 Bursa Piano International Piano Festival" held under the leadership of Bursa Metropolitan Municipality and Elena Çekiç Music Academy, and took part as a soloist in the gala program on February 1. **Bursa Turkey** (2020)

He was invited to give concerts in **Melbourne and Sydney, Australia**, and a solo concert at the Melbourne Recital Center on 27 October 2019, a short piano recital at the Turkish Consulate General's Republic Day reception on 29 October Republic Day and finally, the 29 October Republic Day celebrations at Melbourne Mt Hira College. gave a concert within the scope of. (2019)

He was invited as a guest artist to the "Festa Del Paradiso" festival held in Villa Tesoriera in **Turin, Italy**, and gave a concert as a soloist in the gala program on September 26. (2019)

"The Touch of Music with Hope" was invited as a young talent to the 1st International **Izmir , Turkey** Piano Festival and took part in the concerts held on 03-04 October. (2019)

**Bethel, Maine / U.S.A.** He was invited to give a solo concert as a guest at the 13th International Piano Festival held at Gould Academy An All-Steinway School. He has also participated in a 3-week masterclass under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Tamara Poddubnaya (New York Long Island Conservatory, Piano Department) as well as in 15 program concerts in Bethel Maine with artists from different countries of the world. (July 2019)

Mert Hakan Şeker has given a solo piano recital in Bursa at Konak Culture House Nilüfer, **Bursa , Turkey**( May 2019)

Mert Hakan Şeker; selected from Turkey to one of the most important music festivals of the world, organized since 2004 MOSCOW MEETS FRIENDS INTERNATIONAL (**RUSSIA / MOSCOW** 01-12/10/2018), is going to perform a concert and represent Turkey in Pushkin Museum on October 4th 2018

Mert Hakan Şeker won the contest of Eskişehir Metropolitan Municipality Symphony Orchestra and performed solo concerts with Eskişehir Metropolitan Municipality Symphony Orchestra (2018)

He attended the Masterclasses of Pianist Ilya Itin, Romano Pallotinand Gulsin Onay at the 14th International Gümüşlük Classical Music Festival in **Gümüşlük, Bodrum, Turkey**. (2017)

Moreover, he participated in the 11th International Piano Festival held in **Bethel, Maine / U.S.A.** Gould Academy An All-Steinway School and attended a three week long Masterclass with Tamara Poddubnaya, the department head of Piano in New York Long Island Conservatory of Music. During the so called festival Mert Hakan participated in 11 concerts in Bethel Maine Region. ( 2017)