

**Opening Concert of
International Summer Piano Courses
of the Prague Conservatory 2024**

Tuesday July 2, 2024 at 7:30 pm
Concert Hall of the Prague Conservatory
/Dvořákovo nábřeží 2/

Semjon YAKIMOV
piano

*laureate of international competitions,
laureate of Young Piano of the Prague Conservatory 2021, 2022 and 2023,
the winner of the JZHČ Prize "Talent of the Young Piano 2023"*

PROGRAM

Johann Sebastian Bach Italian Concerto BWV 971

*I.
II. Andante
III. Presto*

Fryderyk Chopin Nocturne in C minor Op. 48 No. 1

Aleksandr Scriabin Etude in C sharp minor Op. 42 No. 5

**Sergei Rachmaninoff Etude-Tableaux in E flat minor Op. 39 No. 5
Prelude in B flat major Op. 23 No. 2**

Semjon Yakimov 11 Variations and Fugue in B flat major

Entrée free

Semjon Yakimov (2006)

Since 2012 he has been studying the piano under the guidance of Doc. MgA. Libuše Tichá, Ph.D. Since 2018 he has been attending Prague Gymnasium and Music School.

He has succeeded in many piano competitions – including Prague Junior Note, Young Pianists at the Steinway Piano, Beethovenovy

Teplice, Virtuosi per musica di pianoforte, Broumov Key, Antonín Dvořák to the Young, International Novák Piano Competition, Bach's Way and Young Piano of the Prague Conservatory.

He has attended piano masterclasses of significant pianists, such as Ivan Klánský, Martin Kasík, Ivo Kahánek or Avedis Kouyoumdjian. He has attended MenART Academy lessons in 2022/23 under the guidance of Ivo Kahánek.

He has participated in concerts in Czech Republic, Germany, the Netherlands, France, Russia and Israel. In March 2023, he performed Ilja Hurník's Concertino with Karlovy Vary Symphony Orchestra and in April 2024 he performed the final movement of Dvořák's Piano Concerto with the Prague Symphony Orchestra (FOK).

In addition, he also studies organ under the guidance of MgA. Vladimír Kopáček. Since 2021 he has been playing at masses in two churches in Prague. As an organist, he has also collaborated with Lux Iuvenes Praga (string orchestra) and frequently accompanies singers.

He also loves improvisation and composing – he has written piano pieces, chamber music, music for theatre plays and music for a director's cut of the film Lorik (2022). In 2021, he received the 3rd prize in Jakub Jan Ryba Composing Competition and in 2022 he was the absolute winner of Czech Music Olympiad (and the 3rd prize holder at the International Music Olympiad 2022).

