

# ***Jinha Park Biography***

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Jinha Park stands today on the verge of a significant career as a concert pianist, having engaged in numerous demanding and broadening preparatory steps in the last 20 years. Her studies have taken her from Seoul to Texas to Baltimore to Paris; her competition experience has provided her with a keen sense of challenge and accomplishment, and her life experiences teaching, performing and even volunteering have given her a humanity and heart that clearly shows in her playing.

Dr. Park began her piano studies at the age of six and gave her public debut at fourteen. Her education has been arts-based, beginning with the Seoul National University in her native country and ending at the Johns Hopkins Peabody Conservatory in the U.S. Her teachers have included such names as Marian Hahn, Marina Lomazov, Philippe Entremont, Elisenda Fabregas, HyungBae Kim, and Kook-In Son. She has also studied under Yong-Hi Moon, Yoheved Kaplinsky, Ann Schein, John Perry and Leon Fleisher.

Jinha Park has won major piano competitions including the Burgos International Music Competition, the Vienna Allegro Vivo International Chamber Music Competition, TMTA (Texas Music Teachers Association) solo and concerto competitions, the Etude and Baltimore Music Club competitions, the University of Texas at San Antonio Concerto & Aria Competition and several others. She has been a prize winner in yet other competitions such as the Chosun Newspaper's competition, the Choon-Chu National Piano Competition in Korea.

Dr. Park a long track record as a performer in Korea, Europe, and America. She has performed as a soloist and chamber musician at the most prestigious halls including Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall, Seoul Arts Center, Kumho Art Hall (Seoul), and other performances at St. Petersburg (Russia), Perugia (Italy), Barcelona (Spain), and Union City (U.S.). Since 2014, she has been a soloist with the following orchestras including Virtuoso Brunesis Orchestra (Italy), Vienna CMS Chamber Orchestra, Festival Philharmonic Orchestra (Korea), Romanian Oltenia Symphony Orchestra, Alicante Symphony Orchestra (Spain), and Romanian Timisoara Symphony Orchestra.

Dr. Park was invited to be a jury member at the International Youth Competition 'A Step Towards Mastery' in Saint Petersburg, Russia, as well as at the New York Musicians Club in Seoul International Piano Competition, Sunhwa National Piano Competition in Seoul, and at OMTA (Oregon Music Teachers Association) Classical Music Competition in Portland, Kirov International Music Competition in Washington D.C.

Jinha Park has been a faculty member at the Music Fest Perugia, Italy, the Costa Rica International Piano Festival, Piano Super Saturday at Lone Star College, Texas, and the Colorado International Piano Academy.

Dr. Park served as a lecturer at Sookmyung Women's University, Chungnam National University, Baekseok Music Conservatory, Sunhwa Arts Performing Arts Middle and High School, and Kyunggi Arts High School in Korea, and an adjunct professor at the University of Maryland University College in Asia.

Jinha Park is currently a Piano Department Chair at Kirov Academy of Washington D.C. She serves as the Associate Director at Colorado International Piano Academy and Festival and the Chair of the 2021 YMIC Virtuoso International Online Music Competition in Maryland.