

Alexandru Sorin Ciobanu Al Rufei

Concert Pianist · Composer · Piano Teacher · Ballet Accompanist

Profile

I am a classically trained concert pianist and composer, graduate of the National University of Music Bucharest. With over 25 years of stage and teaching experience, my passion is to share music through performances, teaching, and collaborations. My repertoire flows from Bach and Chopin to jazz standards, tangos by Astor Piazzolla, and one-take improvisations.

Performances & Teaching (latest first)

- 2021 Present Teacher Accompanist, Liceul de Coregrafie 'Floria Capsali,' Bucharest
- 2016 Violin-piano duo at Forte Village 5

 Resort, Sardinia
- 2013-2014 Trio concerts at Kurhaus Concert Halls, Germany (return seasons)
- 2012 Trio concerts at Kurhaus Concert Halls, Germany (first season)
- 2011-2015 Performances at Crown Plaza, Boem Club, special events, and prize ceremonies in Bucharest
- 2010 Recital series at Ghika Palace, Bucharest (Argentinian Tangos, 'The Jazz Age,' 'The Jazz Crave')
- 2003–2008 Pianist at JW Marriott, Bucharest (classical, jazz, café-concert; solo, duo, trio formats)
- 1997 Recital at the 'Marcelino Botín' Foundation, Santander, Spain
- 1995–1997 Recital at the Romanian Cultural Institute, Venice, Italy
- 1995 Concert with 'Oltenia' Philharmonic Orchestra, Craiova (Conductor: Ovidiu Bălan)
- 1993 Concert with 'Young Musicians' Orchestra' at the Romanian Athenaeum, Bucharest
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Awards & Competitions (earliest first)

- 1993 Grand Prize, 'Primăvara Artelor' Piano Competition, Romania
- 1995 First Prize & Special Jury Prize, Piano Competition, Deva, Romania
- 1995 First Prize, International Piano Competition 'Rovere d'Oro,' Italy
- 1995 Third Prize, International Piano and Orchestra Competition 'Città di Cantù,' Italy
- 1996 First Prize, International Piano Competition, Agropoli, Italy
- 1996 Eugen Barbu Prize for Musical Activity, Romania Mare Foundation
- 1997 First Prize, International Piano Competition, Brasov, Romania
- 1998 First Prize, National Music Olympiad, Romania
- 1999 First Prize & Special Jury Prize, International Piano Competition 'PRO-PIANO-ROMANIA'

• 2001 - Third Prize, International Piano Competition 'PRO-PIANO-ROMANIA'

Repertoire & Style

- Classical: Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Chopin, Liszt
- · Tango: Piazzolla, Neapolitan traditions
- · Jazz & Café-Concert: Standards, improvisations, arrangements
- Ballet Accompaniment: Live improvisation for dance

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