

Seong-Jin Cho

Piano
2019 Tour of Asia



Pianist Seong-Jin Cho was brought to the world's attention in 2015 when he won First Prize at the Chopin International Competition in Warsaw. In January 2016 he signed an exclusive recording contract with Deutsche Grammophon. His first CD features Chopin's Concerto No. 1 with the London Symphony and Gianandrea Noseda and the Four Ballades. A solo Debussy recital was then released in November 2017, followed in 2018 by a Mozart album featuring sonatas and the D-minor Concerto with the Chamber

Orchestra of Europe and Yannick Nézet-Séguin.

An active recitalist, Mr. Cho performs in many of the world's most prestigious concert halls, including Carnegie Hall, Amsterdam's Concertgebouw, Walt Disney Hall, the Berlin Philharmonie Kammermusiksaal, Munich's Prinzregententheater, the Liederhalle Stuttgart, and at the Gstaad Menuhin, La Roque d'Anthéron, and Rheingau festivals. During the next two seasons he will play debut recitals at the main hall of Frankfurt's Alte Oper, Paris' Théâtre des Champs-Élysées, the Laeishalle Hamburg, the Tonhalle Düsseldorf, Washington D.C's Kennedy Center, and Wigmore Hall, and return to Suntory Hall, the Konzerthaus Vienna, and the Verbier Festival. Recent and upcoming orchestral appearances include debuts with such ensembles as the Berlin Philharmonic, the Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra, the London Philharmonic, the New York Philharmonic, the Los Angeles Philharmonic, the Bavarian Radio Symphony, the Boston Symphony, and return engagements with the London Symphony, the Munich Philharmonic, the Staatskapelle Dresden, and the Finnish Radio Orchestra. He made his Philadelphia Orchestra debut in November 2018.

Born in 1994 in Seoul, Mr. Cho started learning the piano at age six and gave his first public recital when he was 11. In 2009 he became the youngest-ever winner of Japan's Hamamatsu International Piano Competition. In 2011 he won Third Prize at the Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow at the age of 17. In 2012 he moved to Paris to study with Michel Béroff at the Paris Conservatoire National Supérieur de Musique. He is now based in Berlin.

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