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Ying Li, piano

Chinese pianist Ying Li is a winner of the 2021 YCA Susan Wadsworth International Auditions, as well as recipient of The Bridgehampton Chamber Music Festival Prize and the Tri-I Noon Recitals Prize. She has received top awards in numerous national and international competitions including the inaugural Antonio Mormone International Prize, the Sarasota Artist Series Piano Competition, and was a finalist at Concours musical international de Montréal.

She has performed with leading orchestras including The Philadelphia Orchestra, New Jersey Symphony, Buffalo Philharmonic, and the Stuttgart Philharmonic, collaborating with conductors such as Xian Zhang, Jonathon Heyward, and Dame Jane Glover. Recent concerto highlights include the Minnesota Orchestra, Kansas City Symphony, and Oregon Symphony—where she stepped in at the last minute under conductor David Danzmayr to perform the Grieg Piano Concerto to critical acclaim—as well as the Chattanooga Symphony, Kiel Philharmonic, and Maryland Symphony. Upcoming engagements include the Bozeman Symphony, the Missouri Symphony, Baton Rouge Symphony, Hartford Symphony, Knoxville Symphony, and a return tour with the Nuremberg Symphony.

Her recital debuts include Zankel Hall at Carnegie Hall and the Kennedy Center's Terrace Theater. Recent recital highlights span Musica Insieme Bologna, Hammerklavier International Piano Festival in Barcelona, the C. Bechstein Series at the Konzerthaus Berlin, and the YCA Season Finale at Zankel Hall at Carnegie Hall. Upcoming recitals include the Nantucket Musical Arts Society and Portland Piano International. As a chamber musician, she has appeared at the Verbier Festival Academy, Ravinia's Steans Institute, and La Jolla SummerFest, with upcoming collaborations with the Ivalas Quartet and Curtis On Tour.

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