



PROFILE

ROBBIN REZA, Pianist in the 2018 Australian National Piano Award 3-8 September

Australian Pianist Robbin Reza (23 years old) completed a Bachelor of Performance with First Class Honours at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music. There, he studied with Daniel Herscovitch from 2007 till 2016. From October 2017, Robbin commenced a Master's Degree with Claudio Martinez-Mehner and Nina Tichman at the Hochschule für Musik und Tanz Köln in Germany. Robbin gave his first public recital at the age of 11 for the launch of the 9th Sydney International Piano Competition.

He was the winner of the 2011 Ku-Ring-Gai Philharmonic Orchestra's Secondary Schools Concerto Competition – Senior Section, and the 2016 Sydney Conservatorium Concerto Competition, performing concerti by Carl Vine and Scriabin. He also has a keen interest in Contemporary Music and performed at the Australian Premiere of Elliot Carter's *Conversations* in 2010.

In 2013, Robbin represented NSW as a finalist in the ABC Symphony Australia Young Performers Awards and has also been selected as a semi- finalist in the 2018 competition.

Robbin has been supported by scholarships from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music (Bessie Cook Scholarship), The Theme and Variations Foundation, DAAD, and the Mendelssohn Scholarship (Mendelssohn Akademie Leipzig). He has participated in Masterclasses with Stephen Hough, Alexey Sokolov, Arie Vardi, Jacques Rouvier and Dan Zhaoyi.

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