

MASTER CLASS FOR SINGERS AND PIANISTS 5–6 SEPT. 2015



Martin Katz conducts a master class for pianists and singers at Verkatehdas, Vanaja Hall from 5 to 6 September 2015 (Sat and Sun). Audience of teachers and students of music are welcome to observe the class.

Martin Katz is an acclaimed and intuitive teacher who gives master classes to solo pianists and singers as well as singer-pianist duos. In this master class, he shares his expertise and insights accumulated during his extensive career. According to The New York Times, Katz is “the gold standard of collaborative pianists”. As a teacher, he is phenomenal in focusing on the technical and artistic issues with great precision and enthusiasm to open up new perspectives for the performing artist.

For more information about Martin Katz, see the brochure in www.piri-piri.fi/pohjolan-tuulia

Applications

Based on applications, 8 duos are selected for the class. Class language is English. Classes take place in the Vanaja Hall at Verkatehdas. Each duo has a dedicated session of 45 minutes each day. Rehearsal rooms are available for class participants at Verkatehdas (Sibelius School of Music).

The master class fee is € 190/each participant. More information and applications (in English) by 15 June 2015: markku.piri@piri-piri.fi

Please specify your background information and musical education as well as your future plans or wishes for the class. Selected participants will receive a confirmation on 21 June at the latest, together with the invoice payable on 15 July.

Audience

Class participants can observe the work of other duos among the audience at Vanaja Hall. Teachers and students of music are also welcome to observe the master class. The audience can enter and exit between duos. Martin Katz allows questions also from the audience. According to Katz’s recommendation, the youngest music students wishing to attend should be already at the high school level.

At class conclusion on Sunday (from 17 to 18) class participants and the audience have one more opportunity to have their questions answered by Martin Katz.

Day ticket for teachers and students is € 5/day. Tickets are sold at Verkatehdas.

Repertoire

Each singer-pianist-duo will select their songs (excluding arias) from the following categories:

1. One song by a Finnish (or Nordic) composer
2. Two songs from German repertoire, e.g. Schubert and Strauss
4. One song in English
5. One song from French, Italian or Spanish repertoire

Please send a list of selected songs to Markku Piri no later than 15 July.

Class programme

Saturday, 5 September

09.45–10.45	pianists and Martin Katz meet in Vanaja Hall (no audience present)
10.45–11.00	Coffee break
11.00–11.45	Duo 1
11.45–12.30	Duo 2
12.30–13.15	Duo 3
13.15–14.00	Duo 4
14.00–15.00	Lunch
15.00–15.45	Duo 5
15.45–16.30	Duo 6
16.30–17.15	Duo 7
17.15–18.00	Duo 8

Sunday, 6 September

10.00–10.45	Duo 1
10.45–11.30	Duo 2
11.30–12.15	Duo 3
12.15–13.00	Duo 4
13.00–14.00	Lunch
14.00–14.45	Duo 5
14.45–15.30	Duo 6
15.30–16.15	Duo 7
16.15–17.00	Duo 8
17.00–18.00	Conclusion: discussion with Martin Katz, questions from the audience also welcome.

Rehearsal rooms at Verkatehdas (Sibelius School of Music) are available for duos on Saturday (from 9 to 20) and Sunday (from 9 to 16).



Accommodation in Hämeenlinna

See the map for hotels closest to Verkatehdas and Vanaja Hall (20).

Sokos Hotel Vaakuna Hämeenlinna (18)

www.sokoshotels.fi/fi/

Hotelli Emilia (33)

www.hotelliemilia.fi

Hotelli Cumulus Hämeenlinna (27)

www.cumulus.fi