



**Martin Lysholm Jepsen** born in Copenhagen in 1966.

Martin Lysholm Jepsen graduated from the Royal Academy of Music in Aarhus in 1992 after studies by professor Bengt Johnsson and Docent Aino Gliemann. He continued as aspirant at the Lithuanian Academy of Music from 1992-1994 in the class of Professor Veronika Vitaite. Martin took part in several masterclasses and private lessons by Lazar Berman, Eugen Indjic and Günter Ludwig.

Martin Lysholm Jepsen gave numerous concerts in Denmark and abroad as soloist and accompanist.

In 2001 he founded the Gradus Piano School in Aarhus for young piano talents. At Gradus Martin educated some of the most promising danish pianists- among them Emil Gryesten, Gustav Piekut, Kristian Riisager and Rune Leicht Lund. His students were accepted for further professional studies at the esteemed academies in Berlin, Vienna, Düsseldorf, Helsinki, Vilnius and at the Lake Como Academy.

The Gradus students appeared succesfully in many concerts as soloists and with orhestras in Denmark and abroad. They won more than 250 topprizes in national and international competitions.

Martin Lysholm Jepsen has been appointed as teacher at the Royal Academy of Music in Aarhus since 2016 and he is director of the Gradus Junior College which corporates with the Royal Academy.

Since 2018 the Gradus Junior College has received generous support from the danish Augustinus Foundation, enabling Gradus to offer young talents intensive studies and many activities at a reduced price.

Martin gave masterclasses and lectures on the theme "Basic principles for building a strong and healthy piano technique" in several countries and he is regularly in the jury of competitions in Poland, Italy, Lithuania, Iceland, Russia and Denmark.

Martin Lysholm Jepsen was in board of EPTA-DK since 2000 and he is the founder and artistic director of the Gradus International Piano Festival in Musikhuset Aarhus, presenting young talents and master pianists since 2013.

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