

KUANG-HAO HUANG, piano

Pianist Kuang-Hao Huang has performed throughout the United States as well as in Europe and Asia. Mr. Huang is most often heard as a collaborator, performing concerts and radio broadcasts with Chicago's finest musicians, from instrumentalists of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra to singers with the Lyric Opera. He has been a regular guest of the Chicago Chamber Musicians and has performed with the Vermeer and Chicago String Quartets. Mr. Huang can be heard in recordings on the Cedille and Naxos labels.

An advocate of new music, Mr. Huang gave the world premiere performances of solo works by Louis Andriessen and Chen Yi at Weill Hall as part of Carnegie Hall's Millennium Piano Book Project. He has also premiered numerous ensemble works, including pieces by Jacob Bancks, Stacy Garrop, John Harbison, Daniel Kellogg, Rami Levin, James Matheson and Laura Schwendinger. Mr. Huang is a member of Fulcrum Point New Music Project. He has been involved with the Chicago Chamber Musicians Composer Perspectives series since its inception in 2001.

Also a dedicated teacher, Mr. Huang serves on the faculties of the Chicago College of Performing Arts at Roosevelt University, Concordia University-Chicago and the Merit School of Music. As a member of the International Music Foundation's Bootinsky Piano Trio, he has presented educational outreach programs throughout the Chicago Public Schools. For a decade, he coordinated the piano program at Northwestern University's National High School Music Institute. He has also served on the faculty of the Mimir Chamber Music Festival at TCU in Ft. Worth, Texas.

Mr. Huang has degrees from the University of Wisconsin, Indiana University and Northwestern University. His principal teachers include Leonard Hokanson, Joseph Kalichstein, Howard Karp, Rita Sloan and Sylvia Wang. During his graduate studies, Mr. Huang was a recipient of the U.S. Department of Education's Jacob K. Javits Fellowship. He was also a member of the New World Symphony, Michael Tilson Thomas's orchestral academy.

A native of Whitewater, Wisconsin, Mr. Huang currently resides in Oak Park, Illinois. For more information, go to www.khpiano.net.