

ANDRZEJ CIEPLIŃSKI

CLARINET

Andrzej began studying the clarinet at the age of seven. **He graduated with distinction from The Katowice Karol Szymanowski Academy of Music, in the clarinet class of professor Arkadiusz Adamski.**

For exceptional achievements during the studies, the Academy of Music in Katowice awarded him the honorary title of *Primus Inter Pares*.

As a master class participant, Andrzej has been improving his skills under the guidance of a number of foremost Polish and international clarinetists, among whom are **Yehuda Gilad, Francois Benda, Charles Neidich, Hermann Stefansson, Andreas Sunden, Jorge Montilla, Shirley Brill, Anthony McGill, Richard Stoltzman, Michel Lethiec, Florent Heau, Karel Dohnal, Ernesto Molinari.**

As a soloist he performed with orchestras such as **Polish National Radio Symphony Orchestra in Katowice, Polish Radio Symphony Orchestra in Warsaw, Opole Philharmonic, Lviv Philharmonic, Slovak Sinfonietta, Slovak Radio Symphony Orchestra.**

In 2015 he received a prestigious title of *The New Talent of the Year 2015* as a representative of Radio Poland in The New Talent Competition (formerly The International Forum of Young Performers) in Bratislava organised by **The European Broadcasting Union (EBU).**

In 2017 as a representative of Academy of Music in Katowice, he was awarded **II prize in the Concert of the Year Competition. The first prize winner of the 16th Academic Clarinet Competition in Włoszakowice 2015 and Grand Prix Laureate at The International Wind Instruments Competition in Warsaw 2010.**

He is also a beneficiary of multiple scholarships including: **The Polish Children's Fund in the academic years of 2010/2011 and 2011/2012, The Minister of Culture and National Heritage Scholarship for artistic achievements in the academic year of 2010-2011, The Sinfonia Varsovia Orchestra Foundation in 2012, W.I.S.E. Institute, Boston in 2014 and The Polish Ministry of Culture and National Heritage – Young Poland 2015, as well as The Scholarship for Outstanding Achievements 2016/2017.**