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Concerts

Viviane Chassot, born in Zurich, sets new standards with her interpretations on the accordion. She appears in solo and chamber music performances throughout the world, in concert halls including the Philharmonie Berlin, Gewandhaus Leipzig, Guggenheim Museum New York, Konzerthaus Wien, Wigmore Hall, and Tonhalle Zurich. She works with such conductors as Simon Rattle, Riccardo Chailly, David Zinman and Heinz Holliger and makes guest appearances at

international festivals. In August 2014 she was Artist in Residence at the Murten Classics Festival. A versatile musician, she crosses stylistic boundaries and combines the genres of classical music, jazz, new music, and improvisation. In recent years Viviane Chassot has performed many world premieres and was the winner of a Kranichstein Music Prize. She was also honored with the Swiss Ambassador’s Award London in 2015. Viviane Chassot, an artistic personality with international charisma and a pioneer in her field, will receive the Swiss Music Prize 2021.

Discography

Her GENUIN debut CD featuring piano sonatas by Joseph Haydn (2009) and her subsequent recording of Jean-Philippe Rameau’s Pièces de Clavecin

Biography

(2011) earned wide praise and attracted international interest. Her playing has drawn the admiration and enthusiasm of famous musical personalities. Alfred Brendel praised her interpretation as being one of the best recordings of Joseph Haydn's piano sonatas: "The interpretation is perfect in its kind. Freshness, control, and sensitivity combine together in the most beautiful way."

Her portrait CD *New Horizons* (GENUIN, 2014) with original works for accordion was nominated for the German Record Critics' Award. Also her latest CD *objets trouvés* with works for accordion and zither (GENUIN, 2016). Increasing critical attention led to Chassot's signing by the Sony label, becoming surely the only accordionist in the illustrious history of the label's roster. She released her Sony debut, an album of Haydn Keyboard concertos, with the Basel Chamber Orchestra, which she conducted from the accordion. The album received strong critical acclaim.

Viviane Chassot lives as a freelance musician in Basel.

Releases

Pure Bach Solo CD:
Solo-CD with works of J.S. Bach
Viviane Chassot, accordion
Label Prospero Classical, CD, 2021

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
KEYBOARD CONCERTOS
Viviane Chassot, accordion
Camerata Bern
Sony Classical, CD, 2019

Joseph Haydn:
Keyboard Concertos
Viviane Chassot, accordion
Kammerorchester Basel
Sony Classical, CD, 2017

Objets Trouvés
Viviane Chassot, accordion
Martin Mallaun, zither
Genuin Classics, CD, 2016

New Horizons
Viviane Chassot, accordion
Genuin Classics, CD, 2014

Jean-Philippe Rameau:
Pièces de Clavecin
Viviane Chassot, accordion
Genuin Classics, CD, 2011

Joseph Haydn:
Piano Sonatas
Viviane Chassot, accordion
Genuin Classics, CD, 2009