



**Igor Levit
Piano**

Hailed by the New York Times as “one of the essential artists of his generation” (*New York Times*), Igor Levit is the 2018 Gilmore Artist and Royal Philharmonic Society’s “Instrumentalist of the Year” 2018. He is the Artistic Director of the Chamber Music Academy and of the Festival “Standpunkte” of the Heidelberg Spring Festival and has been appointed a professorship at his Alma Mater the University of Music, Drama and Media in Hanover in spring 2019.

In September 2019 Sony Classical releases Igor Levit’s highly anticipated first recording of all Beethoven Sonatas. The season marks the start of three Beethoven sonata cycles at the Lucerne Festival, Elbphilharmonie Hamburg and Stockholm’s Konserthuset. The end of the season will see Igor Levit on tour in the United States with an all-Beethoven sonata program – amongst others at New York’s Carnegie Hall, Princeton, Washington, San Francisco and Chicago.

Igor Levit is Barbican Centre’s “Featured Artist” of the 2019/20 season. The residency comprises a solo recital and two duo recitals with pianists Markus Becker and Markus Hinterhäuser. Orchestral engagements will see him on tour in Europe with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra conducted by Manfred Honeck and returns amongst others to the Cleveland Orchestra, the Gewandhausorchester Leipzig and the London Philharmonic Orchestra.

Highlights of past seasons included debuts with the Berlin Philharmonic, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, the Royal Concertgebouw Orkest as well as international tours with the Tonhalleorchester Zürich and the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra.

Born in Nizhni Nowgorod in 1987, Igor Levit moved to Germany with his family at age eight. He completed his piano studies at Hannover Academy of Music, Theatre and Media in 2009 with the highest academic and performance scores in the history of the institute. In Berlin, where he makes his home, Igor Levit is playing on a Steinway D Grand Piano kindly given to him by the Trustees of Independent Opera at Sadler’s Wells.

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