Nathalie Matthys - Official English biography (275 words)

Nathalie Matthys, born in Kortrijk in 1994, is a Belgian pianist, singer, songwriter and vlogger. As a soloist, Nathalie has performed in Belgium, Germany, Austria, Denmark, and the United States. She collaborates regularly with internationally acclaimed musicians such as the Walter Boeykens Ensemble, Dirk Altmann, Gaby Pas-Van Riet, Dirk Brossé, Sophie Drummel and Roby Lakatos. As a chamber musician, she performs regularly with American-Austrian clarinetist Josef Lamell as <u>Duo Lamell-Matthys</u>.

Nathalie has won several piano competitions, including the *Stephan de Jonghe Competition* (4th laureate, 2015, Aalst), the *Rotary Cultuurprijs* (1st laureate, 2012, Kortrijk), *Belfius Classics* (1st laureate, 2012, Brussels), the *Rotary-Breughel Competition* (3rd laureate, 2011, Brussels), the *Concours de piano de Liège* (1st laureate, 2010, Liège), *MusicLive* (2007, Bruges), the *Steinway Piano Competition for the Youth* (2rd laureate, 2007, Antwerp), and *Jonge Solisten aan Zee* (1st laureate, 2005, Ostend).

In 2017, she obtained her Master of Music in classical piano, summa cum laude, at the Royal Conservatory of Ghent underVitaly Samoshko. She also studied in the United States at Indiana University's Jacobs School of Music under professor Emile Naoumoff (classical piano) and professors Sachal Vasandani and Darmon Meader (jazz vocals), with sponsorship from Fulbright, SWUK, Stichting Mitialto, and Rotary Kortrijk-Groeninghe.

She has participated in master classes with Daan Vandewalle, Paul Gulda, Daniel Blumenthal, Severin von Eckardstein, Jean-Claude Vanden Eynden and Jura Margulis, as well as with Ewout Pierreux, Jozef Dumoulin, Justin Binek, Kristen Cornwell, Cyrille Aimée and Cécile McLorin Salvant.

Online, Nathalie is active on <u>Patreon</u> and <u>YouTube</u>, where she shares classical music, jazz, tutorials, and vlogs. She also teaches piano and voice through her <u>NMusician Studio</u> and at the *Amadeus International School* in Vienna.

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