

Filip Kauch, Piano, Guest Artist Residency at Judson University

April 26 at 2PM, Judson University, Herrick Chapel: Fryderyk Chopin, E-minor Piano Concerto with Judson Civic Orchestra. Judson University is honored to welcome **Filip Kauch**, one of the most outstanding young pianists of his generation, for a special guest artist residency.



Born in 2009 in Kościan, Poland, Filip Kauch began studying piano at the age of eight under the guidance of Marian Michałowicz. He currently studies with Professor Andrzej Tatarski at the Jadwiga Kaliszewska Secondary School of Music in Poznań.

Despite his young age, Filip has already established an extraordinary international presence, earning **over 40 prizes in national and international piano competitions**. Among his most significant recent achievements are:

- **Grand Prize – “Golden Parnassus”**, International Piano Forum *Bieszczady Without Borders*, Sanok (2026)
- **First Prize**, International Vocal Chamber Music Competition, Sanok (2026)
- **Second Prize & Silver Medal**, International Piano Competition, Livorno, Italy (2025)
- **Grand Prix, First Prize, and three special awards**, International Piano Competition *Chopin Spring*, Lutsk–Sanok (2025)
- **Absolute Prize**, Music Academy FORTE International Competition, Brussels (2025)
- **Penderecki Artistic Award**, International Piano Forum, Sanok (2025)
- **Grand Prix and three special awards**, National Piano Competition, Konin (2024)
- **Special Distinction and five special awards**, International Chopin Competition for Children and Youth, Szafarnia (2024)
- **Helena Prize**, International Piano Competition for Young Musicians, Enschede, Netherlands (2024)

Filip has refined his artistry through work with many of today’s leading pianists and pedagogues, including **Leonora Armellini, Akiko Ebi, Philippe Giusiano, Andrzej Jasiński, Katarzyna Popowa-Zydroń**, and others.

He has appeared at prestigious festivals across Europe, including:

- *Mladi Virtuozzi* (Ljubljana)
- *Chopin Festivals in Szafarnia and Żelazowa Wola*
- *Paderewski Festival in Poznań*
- *European Festival of Music Academies (Warsaw)*

His performances have taken place in distinguished venues such as the **Royal Łazienki and Royal Castle in Warsaw, Schloss Reinbeck (Germany)**, and international concert halls across Poland and Europe.

A recipient of numerous scholarships and honors—including awards from the **Polish Ministry of Culture, the National Fund for Children**, and the **“Young Poland” program**—Filip represents a rare combination of technical brilliance, musical depth, and artistic maturity.

Residency Events at Judson University

During his residency, Filip Kauch will engage with the Judson community through:

- **Solo Piano Recital**
- **Concerto Performance with Orchestra** (featuring Chopin’s E minor Concerto)
- **Masterclasses and Student Engagement**
- **Community Outreach Performances**

This residency offers a unique opportunity for students, faculty, and the broader community to encounter a rising international artist whose work embodies both the rich traditions of the European piano school and a compelling, fresh artistic voice.

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April 28 at 7PM, Solo Recital Program at Church of the Cross:

Johann Sebastian Bach

Prelude and Fugue in E-flat Major
The Well-Tempered Clavier, Book I

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Sonata in B-flat Major, K. 333

- Andante cantabile
- Allegretto grazioso

Frédéric Chopin

Ballade in F Major, Op. 38

Intermission

Ludwig van Beethoven

Sonata in A Major, Op. 2 No. 2

- I. Allegro vivace

Ignacy Jan Paderewski

Intermezzo polacco in C minor, Op. 14 No. 5

Claude Debussy

Étude for Chromatic Degrees

Manuel de Falla

Fantasia Bética