

## PROFILE, Pianist Timothy Chiang (28 yrs)

Timothy Chiang is competing in 2016 Australian National Piano Award 5-10 September

Timothy began learning the piano at the age of five with his mother Nancy Chiang, and the violin at age of nine with Brian Blake. From an early age, he won numerous awards and first prizes in various Eisteddfods.

In 2000, he was awarded a music and academic scholarship to Scotch College (Melbourne) and continued his piano studies with Mikhail Solovei. In 2002 he continued studying the violin with Leonid Zeyde. Whilst at Scotch College, Timothy obtained the LMusA (piano), LRSM (piano), LMusA (violin), and performed Rachmaninov's Piano Concerto No1, and Liszt's Piano Concerto No1 with the Scotch College Symphony Orchestra. He was also their Leader of the Symphony Orchestra and String Orchestra in 2005.

In 2013 he was awarded the Fellowship of Trinity College London (FTCL), and was a finalist in the Hephzibah Menuhin Memorial Award. In 2014, he was selected into the 2<sup>nd</sup> Australian International Chopin Piano Competition, and was also a performer for the 3MBS 'The Talent' Series 2. He currently studies with Mikhail Solovei.

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