Resume

Victoria ZHADKO, Ukraine Conductor, guitar player

Prize-Winner in national and international competitions

COMPETITIONS AND AWARDS

1998 - XII International Nikolai MALKO Conducting Competition, Copenhagen, Denmark, IV Prize

1995 – V International Grzegorz FITELBERG Conducting Competition, Katowice, Poland, I Prize

1995 – XI International Nikolay MALKO Conducting Competition, Copenhagen, Denmark, V Prize

1994 – I National Stefan TURCHAK Conducting Competition, Kyiv, Ukraine, I Prize

1994 – III International Kyrill KONDRASHYN Conducting Competition, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, finalist

1993 - V International Arturo TOSCANINI Conducting Competition, Parma, Italy, finalist

1993 – I Sergey PROKOFJEW International Conducting Competition, S.-Petersburg, Russia, I Prize

1988 – The National Performers Competition, Ukraine, I Prize (classical guitar)

1994 – Title of the HONORED ARTIST OF UKRAINE granted by the President of Ukraine

Employment

2000 - PRESENT: Conductor, The National Radio Symphony Orchestra of Ukraine

2005 – PRESENT: Artistic Director and Jury Chairman of M. Sokolowski International Classical Guitar Competition and Festival, Ukraine

1997 – PRESENT: Professor at the Kyiv National University for Culture and Arts, Conducting and classical guitar classes

1997 – 2000: established and chaired first in Eastern Europe Cathedra for Ancient and Chamber Music

1997 – 2000: Principal Conductor of the Kharkiv Symphony Orchestra

1996 – PRESENT: permanent jury member in several international performing competitions in Ukraine and abroad

1995 – 1997: Lecturer (Docent), Kyiv State Institute for Culture

1993 – 1997: Conductor, the National Radio Symphony Orchestra of Ukraine

1993 -1994: teaching in musical higher education institutions, Ukraine

Professional activities

Zhadko performed as a Guest Conductor with a number of European orchestras, among which are:

St.-Petersburg Philharmonic Orchestra (both), Moscow State Symphony Orchestra;

Warsaw Radio Symphony Orchestra, Wroclaw Philharmonic, Philharmonia Slaska;

London Schubert Players; Helsinki Philharmonic;

Danish National Radio Symphony Orchestra, Odense Symphony, Tivoli Symphony;

National Symphony Orchestra of Ukraine, Symphony Orchestra of the National Opera of Ukraine;

Rotterdam Philharmonic. The Netherlands Radio Symphony Orchestra

in collaboration with such performers as Alicia de Larocca (piano), Krzysztof Jakowicz and George Pauk (violin), Volodymyr Gryshko (tenor), Torleif Theeden (cello)

V. Zhadko conducted at the number of international festivals:

Warsaw Autumn (Poland), Kyiv Music Fest, The Contrasts International

Contemporary Music Festival, The *Virtuosos* (Ukraine), Mikkeli Music Festival (Finland) and others Producing Conductor of the contemporary and classical ballets in Kharkiv Opera.

Providing master classes and lectures on conducting and classical guitar in Ukraine and abroad.

Zhadko is the author of the first in Ukraine academic study program for guitar in higher education institutions (2005).

Victoria's students won more than 30 prizes in national and international music competitions.

Zhadko conducted for numerous recording sessions of the contemporary Ukrainian and classical music.

Education

P.Tschaikowski Kyiv State Conservatory (now Tschaikowski National Music Academy), Ukraine:

Opera and symphony conducting (1993, Prof. Vlasenko):

Classical guitar (1991, Prof. Davydov)

Lugansk State Music College, Ukraine, (1986)

Personal data

Born in August, 23,1967 in Kyiv, Ukraine; two children