



# BIOGRAPHY

## CLARA SOPHIA

## MURNIG

Austrian pianist Clara Sophia Murnig is performing as a soloist, chamber musician and Lied accompanist. She is specializing in contemporary piano music and a lecturer for piano at the Ludwig van Beethoven Department of the University of Music and Performing Arts Vienna since 2013.

As a pianist she was guest at the Edgar Elgar Room of the Royal Albert Hall (UK), at Sage Gateshead (UK), at Konzerthaus Vienna, Schönberg Center Vienna, Gmunder Festwochen, festival classic.muerz, Styriarte, Beethovenhaus Baden bei Wien, Brahmsmuseum Mürzzuschlag, Cremona Musica 2017 (IT), Stift Heiligenkreuz, Kultur- & Kongresszentrum Liederhalle Stuttgart (DE), Bernhard Theater Zürich (CHE), King Alexei's Place (RU), Kunststation St. Peter Köln (DE) and Bayrische Akademie of the fine arts Munich (DE).

She is to be heard in fixed formations in a duo with violinist Iris Schützenberger and with her brother percussionist Joachim Murnig.

She received her pianistic education at the University of Music and Performing Arts Vienna with Ursula Kneihs and Anna Pfeiffer and at the Royal College of Music in London in Piano Accompaniment with Simon Pepper and Roger Vignoles.

She worked as a Samling Artist with Malcolm Martineau, Stephen King und Sir Thomas Allen in 2014, 2012 at the Schubert Institut Baden bei Wien with Elly Ameling, Helmut Deutsch, Julius Drake, Bernarda Fink, Robert Holl and Rudolf Jansen. She has been a student at the Viennese Days of Contemporary Piano Music with Helmut Lachenmann, Robert HP Platz and Clay McMillan, where she is now on the organization board of the festival.

She has also been part of the international summer academy of the mdw with Klangforum Wien and enjoyed additional lessons with Ferenc Rados and Gregor Weichert.

In 2012 she received the STARTStipendium of the Ministry of Education, Art and Culture in the section Music and Performing Arts. She was scholar of the Lucy Ann Jones Awards of the Royal College of Music and a scholar of the Josef-Krainer-Stipendienfonds of Styria in Austria.

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