
ELVIN HOXHA GANIYEV



"I'M TRULY IMPRESSED BY HIS TREMENDOUS TALENT." ZUBIN MEHTA

Elvin Hoxha Ganiyev is a solo concert violinist performing with the greatest orchestras and top conductors around the world. His repertoire includes virtuoso and solo violin pieces, concertos for violin and orchestra, and sonatas for violin and piano.

EDUCATION

Folkwang Universität der Künste in Essen, Germany
Konzertexamen (current)
Student of Prof. Aleksey Semenenko.

Hochschule für Musik Theater und Medien Hannover, Germany
Master's Degree (2022)
Student of Professor Krzysztof Wegrzyn

Escuela Superior de Música Reina Sofía, Spain
Bachelor's degree (2019)
Student of Professor Zakhar Bron

PERFORMANCES

CONDUCTORS

Zubin Mehta, Yuri Bashmet, Vladimir	Placido Domingo, Jules van Hessen,
Fedoseyev, Gennady Rozhdestvensky,	Ender Sakpınar, Nikolay Lalov and David
Zakhar Bron, Sasha Goetzel, Gürer Aykal,	Bernard, Fuad Ibrahimov, Noorman
Rauf Abdullayev, Server Ganiyev, İbrahim	Widjaja, Antonio Pirolli, Howard Griffiths,
Yazıcı, Martin André, Dmitry Liss, Rengim	Valentin Uryupin
Gökmen, Valery Vorona, Klaus Weise,	

CONCERT HALLS

Carnegie Hall, The Berlin Philharmonic	Amsterdam Concertgebouw, Athena
Hall, Kremlin Palace and Tchaikovsky	Megaro Hall, Zurich Tonhalle, The Royal
Concert Hall Moscow, Grand Hall of St.	Albert Hall, St. John's Smith Square
Petersburg Philharmonia, Opera Garnier	London
Monte-Carlo, De Doelen Rotterdam,	

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ORCHESTRAS

Berliner Philharmoniker, Moscow Virtuosi,	Orchestra Moscow, Tchaikovsky
Shanghai Chamber Orchestra,	Symphony Orchestra, Bron Chamber
Amsterdam Philharmonic, Borusan	Orchestra, Bourgogne Lyric Orchestra,
Philharmonic, Azerbaijani State	Turkish Presidential Symphony Orchestra,
Philharmonic, Qatar Philharmonic, Odessa	İstanbul State Symphony, Bursa State
Philharmonic, New Russia Orchestra,	Symphony, Antalya State Symphony,
BMTG NY Chamber Orchestra, Bilkent	Eskişehir Municipality Symphony, İzmir
Chamber & Bilkent Symphony Orchestra,	State Symphony, Albanian RTSH
Russian National Orchestra, Kremerata	Orchestra, Albanian Opera and Ballet
Baltica, St. Petersburg Philharmonic,	State Orchestra.
Orchestra, Musica Viva Chamber	

PERFORMANCES AND MASTERCLASSES WITH

Zakhar Bron, Vadim Repin, Maxim	Shlomo Mintz, Cihat Aşkın, Sergey
Vengerov, Ivri Gitlis, Fazıl Say, Viktor	Kravchenko, Anne Sophie Mutter, Itzhak
Pikayzen, Yusif Eyvazov, Güher-Süher	Rashkovsky, Renaud Capuçon,
Pekinel, Pierre Amoyal, Shmuel Ashkenasi	Friedemann Eichhorn

FESTIVALS

Switzerland: Interlaken Classics Festivals,	Festival, Trans-Siberian Art Festival. Turkey:
France: Menton Festival, Cannes Music	Istanbul Music Festival, Ankara Music
Festival, Voices for Peace, Festival du	Festival, Bodrum Music Festival. Germany:
Floréal Musical d'Epinal. Azerbaijan:	Oettingen Festival, Kloster Bentlage,
Rostropovich Festival, Gabala Music	Greece: Megaro Festival
Festival. Russia: Vladimir Spivakov Invites	

AWARDS

2021 George Enescu International Violin Competition *Special iPalpiti Prize*

2021 George Enescu International Violin Competition *Semifinalist*

2021 International Jascha Heifetz Violin Competition *Public Prize*

2019 Istanbul Culture and Arts Foundation *Aydin Gun Encouragement Award*

2019 Virtuoso Award, Vienna International Music Competition *Grand Prize*

2018 The Republic of Azerbaijan, *Honoured Artist of Azerbaijan*

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AWARDS cont'd.

- 2018 Florida Keys International Music Competition for Young Talents *Grand Prize*
- 2018 Berliner International Music Competition *Golden Medal*
- 2016 Shanghai Isaac Stern International Violin Competition *Semifinalist*
- 2016 Novosibirsk Russia Young Violinist International Competition *1st Prize*
- 2016 New York Golden Classical Music Awards International Competition *3rd Prize*
- 2013 V. Moscow International David Oistrakh Violin Competition *3rd Prize*
- 2012 7th Intl. Tchaikovsky Young Musicians Competition Switzerland *Special Prize*
- 2012 2nd Competition and International Music Festival Night in Madrid *1st Prize*
- 2010 A medal from the Pope
- 2010 Andante Classical Music Awards *New Young Musician of the Year*
- 2009 International Lipinski-Wieniawski Young Violinist Competition *2nd prize*
- 2008 Azerbaijani Presidential Scholarship. Included in the Golden Book of Azerbaijan.
- 2007 2nd Gülden Turalı Violin Competition *1st prize* and *Turkish Composer Special Award*
- 2006 International Classical Culture Heritage Competition in Moscow *1st prize*

RECORDINGS

- 2021 *"Voyages, Chapter Istanbul" Album. Cem Esen, Fazıl Say Violin Sonatas*
- 2020 *"Chausson, Poème Op.25" EP*
- 2019 *"Fazil Say's 1001 Nights in the Harem" EP*
- 2015 LGT Young Soloists, *"Italian Journey - Works for String Orchestra"* Sony Music Entertainment Switzerland GmbH

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TESTIMONIALS

"I'm truly impressed by his tremendous talent." *Zubin Mehta*

"Elvin has shown exceptional talent as a soloist. Apart from his high quality of technical abilities, he is playing with a variety of colors in his sound and with an expression that touches every audience." *Prof. Zakhar Bron*

"With his remarkable talents, I certainly believe that Elvin should be considered as one of the few greatest violinists of our time." *Vladimir Ashkenazy*

"Elvin embodies the characteristics of the world's greatest virtuosos." *Gennady Rozhdestvensky*

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BIOGRAPHY

Elvin Hoxha Ganiyev is a solo concert violinist with a broad and diverse repertoire, who is currently pursuing his Konzertexamen degree at Folkwang Universität der Künste in Essen with Prof. Aleksey Semenenko.

He holds a Master's Degree from Hochschule für Musik Theater und Medien Hannover in Germany, where he studied with Professor Krzysztof Wegrzyn, and also a Bachelor's Degree from Escuela Superior de Música Reina Sofía in Spain, from the class of Professor Zakhar Bron.

He is the recipient of the 2019 IKSİ Istanbul Culture and Arts Foundation Aydin Gun Encouragement Award.

Elvin was born in 1997 into a family of esteemed musicians and started playing the violin when he was five years old. At the age of 8, he gave his first orchestral concert with his grandfather Server Ganiyev, and that same year he was admitted to the Zurich Conservatory Young Student program.

Since the age of 10, when Elvin made his debut with Moscow Virtuosi under the baton of Vladimir Spivakov at the Kremlin Palace, he has always performed with renowned conductors and esteemed orchestras in prominent concert halls and prestigious international festivals throughout the world.

Elvin has won numerous awards and honors at prestigious international competitions. He is the Semi-finalist and the winner of the special iPalpiti Prize at the 2021 George Enescu International Violin Competition. In the same year, he was also awarded the Public Prize at the International Jascha Heifetz Violin Competition, where he was a semifinalist. Elvin is also the laureate of many other reputable international music competitions, including the David Oistrakh Violin Competition, Lipinski-Wieniawski Competition for Young Musicians, Golden Medal Berliner International Music Competition, and Vienna International Music Competition, to name a few.

He released a debut album in 2019, "Say's 1001 Nights in the Harem Violin Concerto," and a single in 2020, "Chausson, Poème Op.25," on digital music platforms. He recorded with LGT Young Soloists for the "Italian Journey" album under RCA Red Seal/Sony Music Switzerland. His latest album, "Voyages, Chapter Istanbul," where he performed Cem Esen's and Fazıl Say's Violin Sonatas, was released in 2021. He is currently developing new recording projects both for classical and contemporary works.

In the past year, Elvin founded an ensemble of 15 musicians called "Afterimage Ensemble," whose purpose is to play lesser-known compositions of composers from minority groups. The ensemble is working on the concert programs and planning performances for the upcoming seasons.

Elvin Hoxha Ganiyev is supported by the ÇEV Contemporary Education Foundation of Turkey Young Talents Project and also by Dr. Nejat F. Eczacıbaşı Foundation Music Scholarships Program. Elvin performs on a 1715 Guiseppe Guarneri "filius Andreae" violin with an Eugène Sartory bow.

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REPERTOIRE

VIRTUOSO PIECES

Béla Bartók - Romanian Folk Dances	Niccolò Paganini - I Palpiti
Antonio Bazzini - La Ronde des Lutins	Astor Piazzola - Las Cuatro Estaciones Porteñas
Johannes Brahms - Hungarian Dance No. 1	Manuel Ponce - Estrellita
Johannes Brahms - Hungarian Dance No. 5	Maurice Ravel - Tzigane
Johannes Brahms - Hungarian Dance No. 7	Camille Saint-Saëns - Rondo Capriccioso, Op.28
Ernest Chausson - Poème, Op. 25	Pablo de Sarasate - Malagueña
Antonín Dvořák - Humoresques, Op. 101 No. 7	Pablo de Sarasate - Zigeunerweisen, Op.20
Heinrich Wilhelm Ernst - Fantasie brillante sur la Marche et la Romance d'Otello	Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky - Méditation
Manuel de Falla - Suite Populaire 'Nana'	Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky - The Valse-Scherzo in C major, Op. 34
Manuel de Falla - Danza Española No. 1	Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky - Melodie, Op.42 No.3
George Gershwin, D. Heyward, Ira Gershwin - Summertime and A Woman is a Sometime Thing	Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky - Suite from "Swan Lake " for solo violin
Fritz Kreisler - Liebeslied	Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky - Russian Dance
Fritz Kreisler - Liebesfreud	Franz Waxman - Carmen Fantasie
Fritz Kreisler - La Gitana	Henryk Wieniawski - Variations on an Original Theme, Op.15
Fritz Kreisler - Midnight Bells	Henryk Wieniawski - Faust Fantasy, Op.20
Fritz Kreisler - Syncopation	Henryk Wieniawski - Scherzo Tarantelle, Op.16
Fritz Kreisler - Variations on a Theme of Corelli	Henryk Wieniawski - Polonaise de concert in D Major, Op.4
Fritz Kreisler - Prelude and Allegro in the style of Pugnani	Henryk Wieniawski - Légende, Op.17
Jules Massenet - Méditation	

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CONCERTOS

Johann Sebastian Bach - Concerto for 2 Violins
in D Minor, BWV 1043

Johann Sebastian Bach - Violin Concerto
in E Major, BWV 1042

Johann Sebastian Bach - Violin Concerto
in A Minor, BWV 1041

Béla Bartók - Violin Concerto No. 1

Ludwig van Beethoven - Violin Concerto
in D Major, Op. 61

Ludwig van Beethoven - Triple Concerto for
Violin, Cello & Piano in C Major, Op. 56

Johannes Brahms -
Violin Concerto in D major, Op. 77

Johannes Brahms -
The Double Concerto in A minor, Op. 102

Gang Chen & Zhanhao He - Violin Concerto
"Butterfly Lovers"

Ulvi Cemal Erkin - Violin Concerto

Rauf Hadjiyev - Violin Concerto

Kara Karayev - Violin Concerto

Édouard Lalo - Symphony Espagnole
in F Major , Op. 20

Felix Mendelssohn - Violin Concerto
in E minor, Op. 64

Felix Mendelssohn - Concerto for Violin and
String Orchestra in D minor

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart - Violin Concerto
No. 3 in G major, K 216

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart - Violin Concerto
No . 4 in D Major, K 218

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart - Violin Concerto
No . 5 in A Major, K 219

Niccolò Paganini - Violin Concerto No. 1,
Op. 6

Sergei Prokofiev - Violin Concerto No. 1
in D major, Op. 19

Sergei Prokofiev - Violin Concerto No. 2
in G minor, Op. 63

Fazıl Say - Violin Concerto "1001 Nights in the
Harem"

Dmitri Shostakovich -
The Violin Concerto No. 1 in A minor, Op. 77

Jean Sibelius -
The Violin Concerto in D minor, Op. 47

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky - Violin Concerto No. 1
in D Major, Op. 35

Henri Vieuxtemps - Violin Concerto No.5
in A minor, Op. 37

Antonio Vivaldi - The Four Seasons

Antonio Vivaldi - Concerto for 4 Violins
in B Minor, RV 580

Henryk Wieniawski - Violin Concerto No. 1
in F sharp Minor

Henryk Wieniawski - Violin Concerto No. 2
in D Major

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SOLO VIOLIN

Johann Sebastian Bach - Sonata No. 1
in G Minor, BWV 1001

Johann Sebastian Bach - Sonata No. 2
in A Minor, BWV 1003

Johann Sebastian Bach - Partita No. 3
in E Major, BWV 1006

Francesco Geminiani - Sonata violin solo
in B-flat Major

Nathan Milstein - Paganiniana

Niccolò Paganini - Caprices nr.
1,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,13,14,16,17,18,19,21,23,24

Eugene Ysaÿe - Sonata for Solo Violin, Op. 27,
No. 2 "Jacques Thibaud"

Eugene Ysaÿe - Sonata No. 1 in G Minor " "
Joseph Szigeti"

Eugene Ysaÿe - Sonata No. 2 in A Minor " "
Jacques Thibaud"

Eugene Ysaÿe - Sonata No. 3 in D Minor " "
Georges Enescu"

Eugene Ysaÿe - Sonata No. 4 in E Minor " "
Fritz Kreisler"

Eugene Ysaÿe - Sonata No. 5 in G Major " "
Mathieu Crickboom"

Eugene Ysaÿe - Sonata No. 6 in E Major
"Manuel Quiroga"

SONATAS FOR VIOLIN AND PIANO

Ludwig van Beethoven - Violin Sonata No. 2
in A Major, Op. 12

Ludwig van Beethoven - Violin Sonata No. 5
in F Major, Op. 24

Ludwig van Beethoven - Violin Sonata No. 7
in C Minor, Op.30-2

Ludwig van Beethoven - Violin Sonata No. 8
in G Major, Op.30-3

Ludwig van Beethoven - Violin Sonata No. 9
in A Major, Op.47 "Kreutzer"

George Enescu - Violin Sonata No. 2 in F
Minor, Op.6

Johannes Brahms - Violin Sonata No. 1
in G Major, Op.78

Johannes Brahms - Violin Sonata No. 3
in D Minor, Op. 108

Cem Esen - Violin Sonata Op.24

César Franck - Violin Sonata in A Major

Edvard Grieg - Violin Sonata No. 3 in G Minor,
Op. 45

George Frideric Händel - Violin Sonata No. 4
in D major, Op.1 No. 13, HWV 371

George Frideric Händel - Violin Sonata
in G minor, Op.1 No.6, HWV364a

Kara Karayev - Violin Sonata

Jean-Marie Leclair - Violin Sonata No. 3
in D Major, Op. 9

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart - Sonata for Piano
and Violin in E minor, K. 304

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart - Violin Sonata
in C Major, K. 296

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart - Violin Sonata
in F Major, K. 376

Sergei Prokofiev - Violin Sonata No. 1
in F Minor, Op.80

Fazıl Say - Sonata for Violin and Piano, Op. 7

G. Tartini - Violin Sonata "Le Trille Du Diable"

Mieczysław Weinberg - Violin Sonata No. 3,
Op. 37

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CHAMBER MUSIC

Ilhan Baran - Transformations for Piano Trio

Johannes Brahms - Piano Trio in B Major, Op.8

Johannes Brahms - Clarinet Quintet in B minor,
Op. 115

Claude Debussy - Piano Trio in G major L.5

César Franck - Piano Quintet in F minor

Joseph Haydn - Piano Trio in G major,
Hob.XV:25

Sergei Rachmaninov - Trio élégiaque No. 1 in
G Minor

Fazil Say: Space Jump Op. 46 Trio for Piano,
Violin and Cello

Robert Schumann - The Piano Quintet in
E-flat major, Op. 44

Franz Schubert - Piano "Trout" Quintet in
A major, D.667