

Ada Kuuseoks (Estonia)

Ada Kuuseoks graduated from the Moscow Tchaikovsky Conservatory with Prof. Viktor Meržanov. Her career as a pianist began when she was still studying in high school and received the first prize at the Estonian Soviet Socialist Republic's Youth Piano Competition (1957). She was also awarded first prizes from the USSR competition in Minsk (1960). During recent years, she has received the first prize on two occasions from the International Teacher's Competition in Warsaw (2013, 2016). Ada Kuuseoks has focused a big part of her career on teaching. She has been working at the piano department of the Estonian Academy of Music and Theatre since 1966. During 51 years, 86 students have graduated from her piano class. On many occasions, Ada has written concert reviews in local newspapers and magazines. Her first CD was issued in 2001 which included recordings made at the Estonian National Concert Hall during years 1969-1982. She has been awarded the People's Artist of the ESSR in 1978 and an honorary diploma by the Estonian Education Ministry in 1991.