Dalibor Karvay, violinist (SVK)

He was born in the Slovakian town of Vrútky. Several recordings for the Slovak Radio in Bratislava of his playing were already made when he was a pupil at the local music school. He made his studies at the Žilina Conservatory in the class of prof. Bohumil Urban. His studies at the Vienna Conservatory began in 1999 with the renowned prof. Boris Kuschnir. He participated in many masterclasses with respected teachers – Eduard Grache, Mintscho Mintshev and Herman Krebbers. His most significant successes include the victory at the Young Musician International Meeting in Cordoba (1996), the Eurovision prize - Grand Prix of the Young Musician of the Year (2002), first place at the Tibor Varga competition (2003), the New Talent International Young Performers' Tribune (2005) and first place at the David Oistrakh Competition in Moscow (2008). His concert with Mstislav Rostropovich for the Prince of Wales, Charles, in 2003 at Windsor Castle is also significant. He has been invited multiple times to the Seiji Ozawa International Academy in Switzerland. In 2009 he received the prize of the Minister of Culture of the Slovak Republic for excellent results and successful international representation of the country. As a soloist he has shared the stage with renowned conductors such as Leif Segerstam, Ion Marin, Hiroyuki Iwaki, Jaap van Zweden, Marek Janowski, Alexander Rahbari, Roman Kofman, Benjamin Wallfisch, Ondrej Lenárd, Oliver Dohnányi, Leoš Svárovský and others. The orchestras which he has performed with include Rundfunk-Symfonie Orchester Berlin, English Chamber Orchestra, Camerata Salzburg, Orchestra Ensemble Kanazawa, Czech Philharmonic, Nationaltheater-Orchester Mannheim, Radio-Symphonie Orchester Wien, Wiener Kammerorchester, Het Gelders Orkest, Solistes Européens Luxembourg, Slovak Philharmonic, Slovak Radio Symphony Orchestra, State Chamber Orchestra Žilina and others. He pursues an intense career in chamber music as well, joining such artists as Radek Baborák, Julian Rachlin, Wenzel Fuchs, Boris Kuschnir, Daniel Buranovský. Since 2014 he teaches at the Musik und Kunst Privatuniversität der Stadt Wien. Dalibor Karvay plays a violin made by the Viennese violin maker Maria Pasch.