

Dr. Robert Roux, USA, Piano



Pianist Robert Roux began his career at age 10 with a performance on the nationally televised Lawrence Welk Show. Since that time, he has been a winner of several piano competitions in the United States, including the United States Information Agency's Artistic Ambassador Competition and the International Piano Recording Competition. A Steinway Artist, Roux's performances include appearances at the White House, the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and Library of Congress in Washington, DC., Merkin Concert Hall in New York, Stude Concert Hall in Houston on the Horowitz Steinway, St. Petersburg Conservatory of Music, Villa Pignatelli in Naples and the Salle Cortot in Paris. He has toured as recitalist and concerto soloist in sixteen countries; *Nuremberg Nachrichten*, Germany's third largest daily newspaper, deemed him "...a smart interpreter of Viennese classicism whom we should bear in mind." *Clavier* magazine, referring to a three-day American Liszt Society festival, deemed Roux's performance of the Liszt Sonata "...the most stunning playing during the festival...for which the audience offered a well-deserved standing ovation."

Dr. Roux's students have been frequent prizewinners and award recipients internationally. He has been chair of the keyboard department at Rice University's Shepherd School of Music since 1990. He has served on the faculty of the prestigious Van Cliburn Institute, PianoSummer at New Paltz, the Moscow International Piano Masterclasses, the Paris International Piano Sessions, the Association of German Music Schools, the Amalfi Coast festival, and the International Certificate Program for Piano Artists (Ecole Normale in Paris). In 2005 he received the Julia Mile Chance Award for Excellence in Teaching, one of Rice University's highest honors. As a founding member of the Prague International Piano Masterclasses, he was Associate Director of that festival from 1997 to 2007. His list of teachers and coaches includes Lili Kraus, Adele Marcus, James Bastien, William Race, and Leonard Shure. He is listed in *Who's Who in America* (2003) and is also interviewed as one of the top teachers in Benjamin Saver's publication, *The Most Wanted Piano Teachers in the USA*.