

## **Kazimierz Gierżod**

He studied piano with Prof. Margerita Trombini-Kazuro at the Chopin Music Academy. After graduating with First Class Honours in 1962, he continued his studies under Prof. Guido Agosti at the Accademia Chigiana in Sienna and received a Diploma di merito.

Kazimierz Gierżod won first prize in the Young Musicians Festival in Gdańsk, 1964. He has given concerts in Poland and abroad since. He has performed throughout Europe, in Australia, Canada, China, Japan, the United States, Cyprus and Kuwait. He has made numerous recordings for Polish Radio and TV and foreign broadcasters, and for Polish and German record companies. His stage performances highlight Polish music.

Since graduation, he has taught at the Warsaw Music Academy. His students have been Polish and foreign pianists.

In 1986 Kazimierz Gierżod became Professor of Musical Arts. In the years 1975-1987 he served as Chair of the Piano, Harpsichord and Organ Department, twice (1987, 1990) he was Rector of the Chopin Music Academy, and he was also Chair of the Second Piano Department. He gives master classes in Poland and abroad and serves as a jury member of international piano competitions. Since 1988 he has been Guest Professor of Soai University in Osaka. In 2002 Prof. Gierżod was elected President of the Fryderyk Chopin Society in Warsaw.