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He is a pianist, teacher, professor at the Music Academy in Łódź, former director of the Artur Rubinstein Philharmonic in Łódź and president of the Karol Szymanowski Music Society in Łódź. During his illustrious teaching career spanning nearly four decades Prof. Laskowski has trained more than forty pianists, who now pursue international careers as performers and teachers. For his achievements in this field the Professor has been several times awarded by his Alma Mater. Prof. Laskowski is a leading consultant in piano teaching whose expert opinion and advice have been sought by the Ministry of Culture Artistic Training Centre and the Ministry's Council for Higher Artistic Education.

Prof. Laskowski has served on the juries of several piano competitions in Poland and abroad, including the International Karol Szymanowski Competition in Łódź, the French Music Interpretation Competition, Chopin competitions for children and youth and the International Pianists Competition in Palm Beach, Florida.

He has performed as a soloist and has provided accompaniment to excellent instrumentalists and singers in major cultural centres throughout Poland and abroad. He has broadcast for radio and TV stations and has recorded music for films. In 1985 a serious injury terminated his stage career. He acts as Treasurer for the Fryderyk Chopin Society.