

Soave-Baccolo piano duo

Pianists Chiara Soave and Cecilia Baccolo, both pupils of M° Rinaldo Rossi, have been playing in duo since 1995. They have therefore shared their musical experiences from a very early stage on, creating a wide repertoire.

The two young musicians have studied with pianists of international fame, such as Cristiano Burato and Mauro Minguzzi.

In 2004, the duo have been admitted at the International Piano Academy “Incontri col Maestro” of Imola, in the studio of Pier Narciso Masi. They received the Diploma in 2007 with the honorific mention of “Master”.

Since 2006, Cecilia and Chiara have also been trained by the world-wide known Tal-Groethuysen Duo at the Hochschule fuer Musik und Theater of Munich getting their degree in June 2008.

Chiara Soave and Cecilia Baccolo gave performances in most important Italian music halls and festivals: Capitol Square in Rome, Bologna Festival, Bibiena theatre and Palazzo Ducale in Mantua, concert season “Tempo d’Orchestra” (Mozart Concerto for three pianos – Symphonic Orchestra of Brescia, conductor Riccardo Frizza), Festival Dante09 in Ravenna, Rossetti Theatre in Vasto, a.s.o. The Duo Soave-Baccolo is regularly invited to give concerts in Switzerland, Germany and Netherlands as well.

Moreover Chiara and Cecilia have also started several interactive collaborations: with the “Ricerca Ensemble” choir conducted by Romano Adami, with the “Novantiqua” choir conducted by Bernard Héritier, with the Orchestra Giovanile Aloisiana conducted by Chiara Romanò, with the puppet master Maurizio Corniani and with the famous Italian actor Sebastiano Somma.

After having won important prizes of several national and international piano competitions, such as “Città di Stresa”, the “Rospigliosi Competition” of Lamporecchio, the AFC “Roma 2004”, the “Twenty Fingers international piano duo competition”, the “Gaetano Zinetti” of Verona, the “Togni of Brescia”, the duo was awarded the first prize at the Chamber Music Competition in Hellevoetsluis (Rotterdam).

Overwhelming critics have always emphasized their interpretations of Schubert’s music; these merits brought the Soave-Baccolo Duo to the Concertgebouw Hall in Amsterdam where the two musicians performed a programme exclusively dedicated to the great German genius – and additionally was the only Italian piano duo featured in that renowned hall in 2010.

Chiara and Cecilia recorded for the Italian label Dynamic.