

Olga Lingienė

Olga Lingienė is an acknowledged classical guitar professor, teaching at the Lithuanian Music and Theatre Academy (LMTA) and prestigious Vilnius B. Dvarionas Music School. Her students are multiple winners of international youth classical guitar competitions in Lithuania, Italy, Estonia, Poland and Slovakia. Mrs. Lingienė has been a member of national and international classical guitar competition juries since 1998.

Born in Tashkent, Uzbekistan in 1967, Lingienė has begun her path as a pianist. Some years later, she found her passion for guitar and started classical guitar studies in Lithuania with Mrs Marija Janavičienė – the first female student of Mr. Jurigis Rimkevičius, the founder of the Lithuanian classical guitar school. In 1984-1988 Lingiene continued her studies with Mr. Rimkevičius himself, as well as with Mr. Artūras Kelpša at Kaunas J. Gruodis Conservatory. In 1995 under the supervision of Assoc. Prof. Julius Kurauskas she completed her studies at Lithuanian Music and Theatre Academy (LMTA).

During her studies, Lingienė actively participated in guitar masterclasses with Prof. Alexander Frauchi, Mr. Alexander Vintsky and Prof. Evgenii Finkelstein and as a listener, she attended various courses for other instruments by Prof. Victor Pikayzen, Mrs. Rika Okruzhko and the famous Prof. Igor Oistrakh.

As a dedicated teacher Lingienė has been working in the field for more than 30 years. She applies her own innovative concepts in training small children for international competitions as well as working with promising classical guitar talents of Lithuania. Lingienė currently teaches at Lithuanian Music and Theatre Academy (LMTA), and Vilnius B. Dvarionas Music School. From 2002 till 2017 she was also teaching and managing Vilnius J. Tallat - Kelpšos Conservatory's guitar department. As a result of her passion for teaching, Lingienė's students have been awarded with multiple first prizes in international classical guitar competitions abroad and in Lithuania.

Lingiene is also actively bringing her students to participate not only in national guitar events but also to take part in international lectures, masterclasses and concerts. Recent years activities include concerts in Prague (Czech Republic), International Olsztyn Guitar Festival (Poland), masterclasses at International Frauchi Guitar Competition (Russia), Nizhny Novgorod International Guitar Competition and Festival (Russia), yearly at International Baltic Guitar Festival and Competition (Lithuania) and many other events. Lingiene herself also participates in various international teaching seminars and conventions. In 2022 she participated in the 11-th International Suzuki Children's Convention in Cuneo, Italy.

For a decade, Lingienė has also been a member of a classical guitar duo. 1993 – 2003 together with her duo partner Prof. Inga Raginienė (Lithuania VDU Music Academy lecturer) she gave concerts in Poland and Lithuanian concert halls: Vilnius City Hall, The Congress Palace of Lithuania and others. As a soloist, she has performed in Lithuania and the Netherlands, where she played her most recent solo at Amsterdam's Historical Museum (2016).