

GUILDHALL GALA WITH CHOPIN PIANO

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An important celebration in London for the 100th anniversary of the restoration of the Polish State after the First World War will take place on November 26th at the prestigious Guildhall, the heart of the City of London.

It is being organised by the Chopin Society UK, in partnership with the Polish Cultural Institute and the Adam Mickiewicz Institute, and will also be commemorating the 170th anniversary of Chopin's final concert, which took place at Guildhall in November 1848.

This event has been made possible by the support of the Leading Patron, PKN ORLEN.

The evening itself will consist of a Champagne Reception and Concert for over 400 guests. The pianists will be Krzysztof Książek and his wife Agnieszka Zahaczewska-Książek, who will be performing works by Chopin and Paderewski. Paderewski was of course one of the first Prime Ministers of the newly-formed Poland.

Krzysztof is one of the most promising young talents from Poland, and a prize winner at the 17th International Chopin Competition in Warsaw and the 2nd American Paderewski Competition in Los Angeles. More recently he was a prize winner at the 1st Chopin Competition on Period Instruments held in Warsaw, where he also won the special prize for mazurkas.

The Broadwood piano Chopin used for his Guildhall concert is being lent for the occasion by the Royal Academy of Music and the Cobbe Collection Trust at Hatchlands, and a modern concert grand is also being lent by Steinway & Sons.

This is a private, invitation only event.

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