

Joseph Tong Biography

Joseph Tong enjoys a busy and varied career as a solo pianist, chamber musician, teacher and adjudicator. He studied at Wells Cathedral School, read music at Cambridge University and then completed postgraduate studies with Christopher Elton at the Royal Academy of Music where he received the DipRAM. Joseph made his Wigmore Hall debut in 1997 as winner of the Maisie Lewis Young Artists Award and now gives regular recitals throughout the UK and abroad.

His recent Sibelius recording project has seen two CDs released on the Quartz label to widespread critical acclaim. Joseph has already made several concert tours to Finland, including recitals at *Ainola* on the composer's original Steinway, the Sibelius Museum in Turku, the 2019 Korpo Sibelius Festival and Helsinki Music Centre. Joseph has broadcast for BBC Radio 3, appearing on *In Tune* as a soloist and in his piano duo with Waka Hasegawa. Other recent highlights have included recitals at St John's Smith Square in London, the Presteigne Festival, St David's Hall, Cardiff and St George's Bristol. His latest CD of Schumann for the Quartz label, recorded at the Sendesaal in Bremen, was Instrumental Choice in BBC Music Magazine.

Joseph has been a visiting piano teacher at Wells Cathedral School since 2008 and holds part-time teaching posts at Hampton School and Trinity School, Croydon. He was appointed a music adjudicator by the British and International Federation of Festivals in 2019.