Siyuan Xu, piano – biography

“Delicate layers of sound and warmth of colour”. She explores a wide range of repertoire, from the classical period to contemporary music. Siyuan graduated with a MasSiyuan Xu is a London-based collaborative pianist specialising in song and chamber music. Her playing is characterised by enthusiasm and confidence, with the of Arts in Ensemble Piano in 2024, followed by a Professional Diploma in 2025 at the Royal Academy of Music, where she studied with James Baillieu, Joseph Middleton, and Anna Tilbrook.

A prize-winning song accompanist, Siyuan was awarded the Major Van Someren- Prize for Accompanist in 2023. Recently, she was a finalist at Somerset Song Prize in May 2026. In 2024, she reached the finals of the Ashburnham English Song Awards, and returned in 2025 as a finalist again. Siyuan is a Leeds Song Young Artist in 2025 and a Song Easel Young Artist in 2026. She will also be partaking Lied the Way Song Festival in Florence in July 2026. Siyuan also performs regularly as active chamber musician with her duo partners at venues across UK and Europe, such as Southwark Cathedral, British Library, St Brady Arts Centre, Regent’s Hall, Marylebone Parish Church, Charlton House, St Stephen Walbrook, Holy Sepulchre Church in London, the Elgar Concert Hall in Birmingham, and Château Voltaire and Fort L’Écluse in France. Her most recent appearance as a repetiteur was with Carshalton Opera for Cosi fan tutte in October 2025.

