

## **Biographie Benjamin Engeli**

Each week Benjamin Engeli commutes around 1000 kilometers by train for his many concerts, his teaching job at Zürcher Hochschule der Künste, his various Jury engagements and his commitment for his family. His versatility is also reflected in his impressive piano repertoire. As a soloist he appears with renowned orchestras such as the Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra, the Tchaikovsky Symphony Orchestra Moscow and the Tonhalle Orchestra Zurich.

Benjamin is also a gifted chamber musician: as a member of the Tecchler Trio he won the 2007 ARD Music Competition, and is now appearing with the Ensemble Kandinsky and other musical partners in venues including the Concertgebouw Amsterdam, Konzerthaus Berlin, Wigmore Hall London, Teatro Municipal do Rio de Janeiro, Shanghai Oriental Art Center and the Vienna Musikverein. As member of the Gershwin Piano Quartet he likes to cross musical borders and is also active as an arranger of music by many different composers, ranging from Johann Sebastian Bach to Michael Jackson. Engeli hails from a musical family and started his musical education on various instruments at an early age. He studied horn at first before eventually concentrating on his principal instrument, studying with Adrian Oetiker at the Musik-Akademie Basel. He undertook further studies with Homero Francesch, Lazar Berman, Andrzej Jasinski, Maurizio Pollini and Andràs Schiff.