



## FRENCH HORN

Yun ZENG

### ARTISTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Addressed by Maestro Valery Gergiev as ‘a wonderful horn player’ and ‘the biggest surprise of the competition’ at the gala concert of the 16th International Tchaikovsky Competition in 2019, Yun Zeng, a 19-year-old gold medalist in the new brass category has become a rising star of today’s musical world. Along with winning first place of Tchaikovsky Competition, he was the laureate of 12 major international competitions including Prague Spring (2018), Città di Porcia (2017) and Lieksa (2016).

After the 100 minute long recital in Shanghai Symphony Hall in 2020, music critic Keju acclaimed:”Impeccable structural aesthetic, Mellow sound and resonant line.”

Since 2014, his instrument was sponsored by BRIZ Musical Instrument Ltd., now he is playing the ‘BRIZ 2000TP’ horn.

### PERFORMANCES

As a soloist, Yun Zeng has performed some of the most renowned French horn repertoire with Mariinsky Orchestra, Orchestra di Padova e del Veneto, Central Conservatory of Music Symphony Orchestra, National Center for the Performing Arts Orchestra, Guiyang Symphony Orchestra (as Artist-in-Residence in the Season 2020-2021), Suzhou Symphony Orchestra, Xi’an Symphony Orchestra, Sichuan Symphony Orchestra and Sichuan Philharmonic Orchestra. Some of his performances have been broadcast by China Central Television, All-Russia State Television and Radio Broadcasting Company and Medici.tv.

### EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES

Born into a musical family in the year of 1999, Yun Zeng began learning French horn with his father, Jie Zeng, principal horn player of Sichuan Symphony Orchestra, at the age of 6. He was both times the first place in major assessment when admitted to the middle school as well as undergraduate studies of Central Conservatory of Music in 2011 and 2017 respectively, in the class of prof. Quan Wen. During this period, he was funded by ‘Best of the Best Project’ (2012 untill now) – a program designed by the conservatory especially for talented young musicians, and ‘Edifier Musician Foundation’ (2014). In academic year 2019-2020, he was studying in Haute Ecole de Musique de Genève ,supported by Erasmus Project, with prof. Bruno Schneider.

### HONOURS AND AWARDS

The 16th International Tchaikovsky Competition--Gold Medalist (2019)

The 70th Prague Spring International Competition--2nd Prize (2018)

The 28th Competition of ‘Citta’ di Porcia’--1st Prize (2017)

The 4th Lieksa International Horn Competition--1st Prize (2016)

2015 International Horn Competition of America--2nd Prize of Professional Division(2015)

The 8th Jeju International Brass Competition--2nd Prize of Horn Catagory(2013)

Etc.