

Associazione Culturale Festival di San Biagio

# PIANO MASTERCLASS

25th-28th August 2023



## Who we are

The Associazione Culturale Festival di San Biagio is an organization committed to the dissemination of classical music culture and has been operating in the area for 16 years proposing concert events and educational activities aimed at a cross-sectional audience with the aim of increasing the collective interest in this area. Now in its fifteenth edition of the San Biagio Festival, the Association proposes this year the second edition of the Masterclass San Biagio.



# Masterclass San Biagio

## Teachers

Piano teacher **Prof. Johan Schmidt**  
Assistant Professor **Fabio Afrune**

## Location

Antico Monastero di San Biagio  
Nocera Umbra (PG)

## Timetable

The course starts at 9:00 on August the 25 and ends at 17:00 on August the 28

## Registration

By 15 July

## Prices

The course fee is € 550 and includes:

- membership fee,
- insurance policy,
- 4 hours of one-to-one lessons with M. Schmidt,
- courses, workshops and in-depth study with the teacher Fabio Afrune (for information [info@fabioafrune.it](mailto:info@fabioafrune.it))
- use for personal study of acoustic and digital instruments (it is recommended to bring personal earphones)
- possibility to perform (at the discretion of the teachers) in a concert at the end of the course in the evocative location of San Biagio.

## Registration

Registration is subject to the filing of the attached application and payment of the first installment of € 250, by bank transfer IBAN: IT49X0344038470000000151500 BANCO DESIO,  
Reason: Masterclass Schmidt.

The deposit will not be refunded in case of non-participation except for serious and documented reasons. The balance of the entire registration fee can be paid by bank transfer one week before the event or by cash on arrival at the property.

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## Teacher

Piano teacher **Prof. Johan Schmidt**



## Johan Schmidt

Among the greatest Belgian pianists of all time, his perfect technique and rare interpretive sensibility combines impeccable virtuosity with an elegant and enchanting sound.

Schmidt has been awarded prizes at the most important piano competitions (Tchaikovsky in Moscow 3rd prize, Van Cliburn 4th prize, Queen Elizabeth 4th prize and the audience prize, International Japan Competition 1st prize, Maria Callas Athens 1st prize) and performs at concerts around the world.

Schmidt holds the position of professor of piano at the Conservatoire Royal in Brussels, Qingdao University in China and the University of Sensoku Gakuen in Japan.

He also hosts masterclasses in Paris, Madrid, Tokyo, the Académie d'été in Nice, and Shanghai.

Many of his students have gone on to win important international competitions.

[www.johanschmidt.be](http://www.johanschmidt.be)

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## Assistant Professor

Fabio Afrune



## Fabio Afrune

The Italian pianist Fabio Afrune graduated cum laude at the Conservatoire in Perugia with special mention, before continuing his studies with Johan Schmidt and David Levy at the Conservatoire Royal de Bruxelles, where he was awarded a Master's degree in piano "avec Grand distinction" and a Master Spécialisé "avec Distinction".

Afrune has won the Roscini Prize, a scholarship from the Rotary Club in Bruxelles, and the prestigious Gerofi Baschwitz Prize, which is awarded to outstanding graduates by the Conservatoire de Bruxelles.

Afrune's current activities include teaching and performing at numerous concerts,

both as a soloist, and with choir and orchestra, for audiences in Italy, Belgium, Austria, Germany and Thailand. He has recorded many pieces by contemporary composers, and notably performed Luigi Nono's "Polifonica-Monodia-Ritmica" in the presence of Nuria Schönberg Nono.

[www.fabioafrune.it](http://www.fabioafrune.it)

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Located a short distance from Assisi, Gubbio and Nocera Umbra, the **Antico Monastero di San Biagio** is a complete and refined accommodation. Set within an estate of 30 hectares, the ancient rectory, carefully restored, dominates the valley that surrounds it almost suspended in a timeless space. An agreement valid until 5th of June 2023 between the Cultural Association of San Biagio and the host estate allows the following economic conditions for accommodation at the Antico Monastero di San Biagio where the Masterclass will take place:

- full board and accommodation for three nights/ four days in a double room € 270 per person
- in a single room € 360.
- It is possible on request to stay both on 24th and 28th of August.

For reservations and further information you can call **+39 331 7868451** or write to **sanbiagioevents@gmail.com** using the reference code **Masterclass Schmidt**.

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