

# **Wolfgang Kühnl's Artistic Vita**

## **Important points of his artistic career**

Wolfgang Kühnl was born in 1956 in Alsfeld/Germany.

He began with piano lessons in 1962. From 1973–1975 he was »Jungstudent« at the Music Academy of Würzburg.

After his graduation he first started to study music for secondary education at the »Nordwestdeutsche Musikakademie« in Detmold and then he began his pianistic education at the »Hochschule der Künste« in Berlin with professor Lothar Broddack. Later on he continued his pianistic studies with Maria Curcio in London.

In this time he received important artistic impulses in the master classes of Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau and Aribert Reimann. After his master diploma in 1986 he worked as accompanist and chamber musician at the University of Free Arts in Berlin (UdK).

## **Central aspects of his artistic life:**

### **Wolfgang Kühnl as a chamber musician**

In 1990 Wolfgang Kühnl founded the Trio Apollon together with soloists of the »Staatskapelle Berlin« (clarinet, viola, piano). With them he has regularly toured European and non-European countries such as the USA, Canada and China. They produced various cds and in 2006 they won the famous »ECHO«-award for the best chamber music cd production of the year.

For many years Wolfgang Kühnl has been a member of the ensemble »work in progress«, which is dedicated to the performance of contemporary music only.

Wolfgang Kühnl performs as duo partner as well as in various chamber music formations from the classical piano trio to the piano sextett with famous artists such as Thomas Brandis, Wolfgang Boettcher, Nora Chastain, Wolfgang Emanuel Schmidt, Troels Svane, Hartmut Rohde and others. In addition he works as a lied accompanist and has performed with Annette Dasch, Iris Vermillion and others.

## **Other important aspects of his artistic life:**

### **Wolfgang Kühnl as an orchestra pianist and a teacher**

Since 1989 Wolfgang Kühnl has regularly played as an orchestra pianist for the Berlin Philharmonic, the DSO Berlin, the RSB and other orchestras. He took part in a number of orchestra tours of the Berlin Philharmonic (Europe, South East Asia and the USA).

For many years Wolfgang Kühnl has worked as accompanist and teacher in many international competitions and master classes.