



## Guest Artist

# So Yoon Lee, piano

So Yoon Lee, pianist, first prize winner of the 22nd Kingsville International Competition enjoys a remarkable and multifaceted career that has taken her throughout the United States, Canada and Asia.

She received her doctoral degree in piano performance from the University of Texas at Austin, master's degree from the Eastman School of Music and bachelor's degree (highest honors) in Seoul National University. She also received a Performer's Certificate from the Eastman School of Music. In addition to garnering many awards from her alma mater, she was the second prize winner of the 26th Frinna Awerbuch International Piano Competition in New York City (2002); prize winner of the Washington International Competition in Washington, DC (2005); and won the second prize at the 2007 Bradshaw & Buono International Piano Competition in New York City. She has studied with Barry Snyder, Anton Nel, Krystian Zimerman, Ursula Oppens, Paul Badura-Skoda, Jean Barr, and Ann Shein.

For many years she has maintained a busy schedule as performer and collaborator in solo recitals, chamber music performances, and ensemble performances. Her recital appearances have included numerous performances at the Carnegie Hall, Steinway Hall, Bechstein Auditorium and the Donnell Library Center in New York City, NY; Kennedy Center in Washington, DC; Gateway Theatre in Vancouver, Canada; Libby Gardner Concert Hall in Salt Lake City, Utah; George Eastman House, Memorial Art Gallery and Kilbourn Hall in Rochester, New York; the Seoul Arts Center and Sejong Cultural Center in Seoul, Korea; Irons Recital Hall and Brookhaven Recital Hall in Dallas, Texas; Northwest Performing Arts Center and Fort Bend Music Center in Houston, Texas; and Bates Recital Hall and Jessen Auditorium in Austin, Texas. Recent highlight in the US include performances with the Valley Symphony Orchestra, the Houston Community Chamber Orchestra, the Symphony North of Houston, St. Thomas Chamber Ensemble, the Galveston Symphony Orchestra and the Clear Lake Symphony Orchestra, among many others. Eager to pursue dual careers in teaching and performing she was appointed to the faculty of the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley and Texas Southern University. She is currently a piano faculty at Lone Star College, and received a Lone Star College Faculty Excellence Award in 2010.

