



piano **PIOTR WYLEŻOŁ**



**SZYMON MIKA** guitar



*One of the most outstanding jazz musicians in Europe - pianist Piotr Wyleżoł and guitarist Szymon Mika have been cooperating for many years in various musical projects, traveling the stages of Poland and the world. They are both leaders of their own projects and have recorded dozens of albums under their own names, as well as alongside the greatest jazz music celebrities.*

*Wyleżoł and Mika in an atmospheric duo format present their original music that draws heavily on classical music and broadly understood jazz, but are also not afraid to use popular music in their repertoire, for which they create original arrangements, giving them their unique sound and character.*



# PIOTR WYLEŻOŁ

**"One of Europe's most prodigiously talented pianist"**

by british „Blues&Soul”, Amrys Baird

*For years considered as one of the most important pianists and composers of polish jazz scene. As a child, he was already winning awards at national piano competitions in Poland. Called the „golden child“ when at 10 and 11 years old, he performed Haydn and Beethoven piano concertos with the Philharmonic Orchestras.*

*He started his professional career already as a student of Jazz Department on Academy of Music in Katowice, when he started to co-operate with legends of polish jazz like Janusz Muniak, Tomasz Stańko, or Jarek Śmietana and others. He was also the laureate of individual award on International Jazz Improvisation Competition, and many other jazz competitions with several groups.*

# SZYMON MIKA

*One of the most talented jazz guitarists of the young generation, winner of the First Prize at the Jarek Śmietana International Jazz Guitar Competition (2015), the Grand Prix of Jazz Individuality at the Jazz on the Odra Festival (2012) and many other awards and distinctions. It was recognized as the Hope of the Year 2016 according to the readers' poll of the Jazz Forum magazine. It delights with its mature playing, refined sound and professional workshop.*

*In 2016, he graduated from the Karol Szymanowski Academy of Music in Katowice with honors, obtaining a master's degree. He continued his studies in Basel at the Jazz Campus. In 2017-2018, he participated in the Focusyear project, during which he performed alongside artists such as Dave Holland, Kurt Rosenwinkel, Mark Turner, Joshua Redman, Avishai Cohen and many others.*



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