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Fumi Otsuki was born in Sendai, Japan and studied the violin there with Gerhard Bosse and Masayoshi Kumai there and Shizuko Ishii in Tokyo.

He then moved to the UK to study the violin with Jill Thoday, piano with Antonietta Notariello and composition with Nigel Clakre at the Royal Academy of Music. He later studied violin with Kun Hu and piano with Raymond Banning at the Trinity College of Music in London.

Further to this he attended the masterclass in Dartington and Courchevel with Jean-Jacque Kantorow, Tomotada Soh and Kun Hu, and had private violin lessons with Tomotada Soh, Sigrun Edvaldsdottir, Andtea Jacobs-Gajic, Kun Hu and Winifred Roberts.

Fumi has given many concerts in the UK including Southwark, Guildford, Portsmouth and Newport cathedrals, Cheltenham Town Hall, Stansted House, Holy Trinity in Stansted-upon-Avon,St.Nicholas in Brighton, St.Paul in Bedford, All Saints in High Wycombe, St.Mary's in Portchester and Holy Trinity in Gosport.

Gisela Meyer was born in Frankfurt am Main, Germany. She studied piano solo and accompaniment with cello in Frankfurt, Weimar and at the Guildhall School of Music & DramaSMD, later adding singing studying with Jessica Cash for several years.

Gisela is a freelance pianist, accompanist and soprano and teaches various musical subjects privately and at the City Lit in London. She performs regularly in concerts as soloist, accompanist and in chamber ensembles as a pianist and singer, and her solo recitals also include art songs where she accompanies herself.

Her recent programme ‘Wonders of Nature’ was her first full recital as a singing pianist and ended with popular songs with audience participation.

Last summer she was booked as pianist for a promotional video shot for Genshin Impact which included the London symphony orchestra and the singer Aurora.

Gisela plays in two chamber groups: Trio Quill and Trio Louise Farrenc who performed in the Bloomsbury Festival this October.

Apart from “Wonders of Nature” another solo programme is planned for next Spring with music by Gershwin, Barber and Beach. For more information about future concerts or to get in touch with Gisela, please visit: giselameyer.me.uk