

Štěpán Jinek

Štěpán Jinek (2004) has been playing the bassoon since the age of six. He began his studies at the **Taussigova Elementary Art School** in Prague, initially in the class of the school's headmaster **Bedřich Kameník**, where he later continued under the guidance of bassoonist **Luboš Fait**.

From an early age, he achieved success in prestigious **performance competitions and showcases**, including awards at the National Competition of the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, the Performance Showcases of the Czech Double Reed Society, the International Performance Competition Pro Bohemia Ostrava, and the International Wind Instruments Performance Competition Brno.

From 2019 to 2025 he studied at the **Prague Conservatoire** in the bassoon class of **Ondřej Roskovec**, principal bassoonist of the **Czech Philharmonic**. In 2025 he **graduated** with a solo concert with the Prague Conservatoire Symphony Orchestra in the **Dvořák Hall** of the **Rudolfinum**. Since the same year he has continued his studies at the **Staatliche Hochschule für Musik und Darstellende Kunst Mannheim** with Prof. **Ole Kristian Dahl**.

As a soloist, chamber and orchestral player, he has collaborated with a number of leading ensembles, such as the **Prague Philharmonia** (formerly the Prague Chamber Philharmonic), the **Pilsen Philharmonic**, the **South Bohemian Philharmonic**, the **Prague Radio Symphony Orchestra** and the **Czech Philharmonic**. In 2022 he performed as a soloist with the Prague Philharmonia. He has also premiered solo works by Petr Wajsar and Jiří Trtík.

From 2022 to 2025 he was a member of the Orchestral Academy of the **Prague Philharmonia** and at the same time taught at the **Taussigova Elementary Art School** in Prague. He is a member of the **Czech Double Reed Society** and regularly takes part in its masterclasses and seminars.

Every year he collaborates with the **Czech Student Philharmonic**, performing at educational as well as subscription concerts of the Czech Philharmonic. In addition to playing the bassoon, he also plays the piano and organ and occasionally engages in arranging and composing.