

*Galina Eguiazarova* (Piano)

The professional life of Galina Eguiazarova has been closely linked from its beginnings to the Tchaikovsky Conservatory in Moscow, where she taught –after finishing her studies with Alexander Goldenweiser– from 1960. Early on, Galina Eguiazarova decided to devote all her energies to teaching. This meant that she was in contact with artists of the stature of Tatiana Nikolaeva and Dimitri Bashkirov, with both of whom she has worked as Assistant Professor.

Among her most celebrated pupils are Radu Lupu and Arcadi Volodos, both of whom studied under her tutorship for several years. Others include a large number of pianists who are today both teaching and playing in principal musical institutions throughout the world; and also those who have won international competitions. In 1992 a representative selection of these former students appeared with great success in the Scriabin Festival in Moscow.

Galina Eguiazarova has been honoured by the Russian Ministry of Culture for her teaching activities. In 1993 she joined the Chair of Piano at the *Reina Sofia School of Music*.



*Zakhar Bron* (Violin)

Zakhar Bron was born in Uralsk in 1947. He studied at the Stoliarsky School of Music in Odessa, the Gnessin School of Music in Moscow and the Tchaikovsky Conservatory. After completing his studies, he worked as an assistant professor in the Chair of Violin at the Moscow Conservatory. Bron has had an intensive teaching career at the Novosibirsk Conservatory, the Lübeck School of Music, the London Royal Academy of Music and the Rotterdam Conservatory. He is Honorary Professor of the Novosibirsk Music Conservatory and the Tokyo Music Conservatory.

Professor Bron has won first prizes in competitions in the Soviet Union, Belgium and Poland. He has also been a member of numerous national and international juries and has taught advanced classes in Austria, Great Britain, France, Germany, Spain, Japan and other countries. His students, among which are Vadim Repin and Maxim Vengerov, have won 88 international prizes, of which 26 were first prizes. When the *Reina Sofia School of Music* was founded in Madrid in 1991, Zakhar Bron was named Head Professor of the Chair of Violin, a post which he continues to hold today.