

Deniz Cengiz (piano) was born in 2003, and began her musical education at the age of four with Acelya Ülgenay at the Musical Art Centre. In 2013, she successfully passed the Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University State Conservatory examinations and began full-time education with Perim Hamidođlu.

Deniz has had extensive competition success: she was awarded third prize in the International Pera Piano Competition in 2013 and the International Piano Competition in Milan Piano Talents in 2014. The same year she competed in the finals of the Cesar Frank International Piano Competition in Belgium. In April 2016, with the Trakya Chamber Orchestra, she performed Haydn's Piano Concerto No. 11 in D Major. In May 2016 she was awarded second prize in the Milan Piano Talents International Piano Competition. In August 2016, Deniz studied with Pi- Hsien Chen in the Euro Music Festival & Academy of Germany in Leipzig. In December 2016, Deniz took part in the Nilüfer International Piano Competition in Bursa and won second prize. At the same time she successfully passed her Grade 8 Piano exam with the Trinity College of London board of examiners. In August of 2017, she participated in a masterclass with Martha Gúlyas in Mozarteum, Salzburg. That same year, she won third prize in the Paris International Piano Competition. Deniz has had masterclasses with Philippe Raskin and Vincenzo Balzani. In addition, she continuously participates in concerts around Turkey and England.

As a student of Burcu Aktaş Urgan, Deniz completed her middle school education at the Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University State Conservatory between the years of 2014 and 2017. She now continues her secondary education at The Purcell School of Music as a student of Professor Tessa Nicholson, where she has been awarded the honour of being The Purcell School Friends Scholar.

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