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je pianistka in mednarodno priznana klavirska pedagoginja, ki poučuje klavir in komorno igro na Državni srednji glasbeni in baletni šoli »Sergej Mihajlov« v Štipu (Severna Makedonija). Njeni učenci dosegajo izjemne uspehe na mednarodnem prizorišču – osvojili so več kot **500 nagrad** na prestižnih tekmovanjih in festivalih po Evropi, ZDA, Kanadi in Aziji ter nastopali v uglednih koncertnih dvoranah po vsem svetu.

Za svoje pedagoško delo je prejela številna najvišja priznanja in nagrade doma in v tujini. Med njimi izstopajo **plaketa za najboljšega pedagoga** Zveze glasbenih in baletnih pedagogov Republike Severne Makedonije, **nagrada »Sv. Nikolaj«** Občine Štip ter **mestna nagrada »8. november«**. Leta 2019 je v Beogradu prejela tudi naziv **»Najboljša učiteljica v državah nekdanje Jugoslavije«**, ki ga podeljuje mednarodno združenje ANN_EX_YU.

Njeno delo potrjujejo tudi številna mednarodna priznanja, med drugim **Grand Prix v Parizu**, **Diploma of High Honors** v ZDA, nagrade v Italiji, Španiji in Belgiji ter številna priznanja iz New Yorka, Japonske, Rusije, Ukrajine in drugih držav. Mnogi njeni učenci danes uspešno delujejo na mednarodnih odrih in so pomembni ambasadorji glasbene kulture svoje države.

M. A. Marija Maksimova is a pianist and an internationally recognized piano pedagogue. She teaches piano and chamber music at the State Music and Ballet High School "Sergej Mihajlov" in Štip, North Macedonia. Her students have achieved outstanding success on the international stage, winning **more than 500 awards** at prestigious competitions and festivals throughout Europe, the United States, Canada, and Asia, and performing in renowned concert halls worldwide.

For her pedagogical work, she has received numerous top-level awards and honors both nationally and internationally. Among the most notable are the **Plaque for Best Pedagogue** awarded by the Union of Music and Ballet Pedagogues of the Republic of North Macedonia, the **"St. Nicholas" Award** presented by the Municipality of Štip, and the **"8th of November" City Award**. In 2019, she was also awarded the title **"Best Teacher in the Countries of the Former Yugoslavia"** in Belgrade by the international association ANN_EX_YU.

Her achievements are further confirmed by a wide range of international distinctions, including a **Grand Prix in Paris**, the **Diploma of High Honors** in the United States, awards in Italy, Spain, and Belgium, as well as numerous recognitions from New York, Japan, Russia, Ukraine, and other countries. Many of her former students are now active on international stages, serving as distinguished ambassadors of their country's musical culture.