

Irit Rub

Irit Rub is the initiator and director of the **KeyNote** program, the **Israel Philharmonic Orchestra's** music education and community outreach project, which she initiated in 2000.

She is also the artistic director of the Israel Philharmonic's children and family series, both the full orchestra's family series and the chamber concerts' series for children.

In 1994-1996 she was assistant director of the Arthur Rubinstein International Piano Master Competition and the producer of the 1995 competition.

In 1985-1994 she was the founder-director of the music department of the School of Arts in Tel-Aviv, forming a studying curricula that is still being practiced until now.

Irit Rub is an active concert pianist. She graduated from the Vienna **Hochschule fur Musik** where she studied with **Prof. Hans Graf**. After further studies with **Prof. Arie Vardi** at the **Rubin Academy of Music of Tel-Aviv University**, she earned her Artist's Diploma with honors.

Ms. Rub performs regularly as soloist and with various chamber ensembles. In Israel she performed as soloist with all the prominent orchestras, including the **Israel Philharmonic Orchestra** under the baton of Maestro **Zubin Mehta**. She played in concert tours in Canada, South-Africa, Austria, Germany, France and Holland. She also collaborated with renowned artists during their visits to Israel, such as violinists Sarah Chang and Ivry Gitlis, tenor Daniel Johanssen, flutists Andrea Griminelli and Maxim Rubtsov, and lately with violinist Joshua Bell.

The Tel Aviv Piano Duo which she initiated in 1983 performed the world premiere of **Leonard Bernstein's** Arias and Barcarolles, during the Maestro's last visit to Israel in 1989. Later that year she was engaged to perform the London premiere of this work.

Ms. Rub often performs with **Yossi Arnheim**, former principal flutist of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra. The duo performed six European tours and recorded two CDs. Their first CD, chamber music by Martinu recorded with string soloists of the Israel Philharmonic, received critical acclaim in the prestigious **American Record Guide**.

Ms. Rub's **other CDs** include the repertoire of Polish-born French composer Norbert Glanzberg and Israeli composers.

In recent years she joined baritone and conductor **David Sebba** to perform the successful show **Stand-Up Opera** all over Israel and in Estonia at the 2013 Tallinn Festival. The show was performed over 200 times.