

## SABINE PYRKER

Sabine Pyrker was born in 1986 in Wels, Upper Austria. At the age of seven she got her first piano lessons, and two years later she started to learn percussion at the music school in Wels with Max Murauer. Since 2005 she has been studying classical percussion with Prof. Leonhard Schmidinger at the Konservatorium Wien University. In 2010 she finished her bachelor studies with distinction and continued with her master studies in the same subject.

She won several first prizes and special awards in the finale of the Austrian music school contest "prima la musica", both as soloist and with ensemble. In 2010 she placed first in the Fidelio contest (sponsored by HFP Steuerberater).

Since 1999 she has been playing concerts together with her father, the blues and boogie-woogie piano player Martin Pyrker. Furthermore, she is the drummer of her band "The Rocking Birds" and of the "Joachim Palden Trio", which accompanies the established singers Dana Gillespie and Betty Semper.

She has gained experience as substitute in the Bruckner Orchester Linz. In addition, she is a member of the ensemble of the famous multi-percussionist Martin Grubinger.

Numerous concerts in the most important concert halls in Austria as well as international performances and concert tours – including Germany, Switzerland, Italy, France, Spain, Portugal and the USA – bear witness to this versatile young musician's successful career so far.