

## Trio Arion



**Edith Escudero Gracia**  
**Shelly Ezra**  
**Nika Brnić**

Piano  
Clarinet  
Cello

The **Arion Trio** was established in the Music Academy of Lübeck. The trio works with professors including Konrad Elser, Troels Svane, Barbara Westphal, Dithelm Jonas and Inge Susann Romhild.

In 2009 the trio won the Possehl Music Prize. It has performed around Germany in chamber-music series and in concerts broadcast live on NDR Radio. The trio have been scholars of the Yehudi Menuhin Foundation "Live Music Now" scheme since June 2009.

Mexican pianist **Edith Escudero Gracia** is a student of Dr Garcia Torres and Konrad Elser and winner of the Grieg Piano Competition, Mexico. She has performed as a soloist with Sinfonica Carlos Chavez, Orquesta de Camara de Bellas artes and Sinfonica de Chihuahua and has played in concerts in Mexico, Norway, Austria, The Netherlands, Spain, Germany, Palestine and the US.

Israeli **Shelly Ezra** studies the clarinet with Itschak Kazap, Sabine Meyer, Reiner Wehle, Dithelm Jonas and Joy Farrall. She is the winner of the ARD Music Competition Munich, Freiburg International Music Competition and the Braunschweig-Classix Festival Competition. She has performed as a soloist with the Bavarian Philharmonic Orchestra, the Chamber Orchestra of Munich, the Classical Philharmonic Bonn, Camerata Moravia Prague and the Israeli Chamber Orchestra.

Born in Slovenia, cellist **Nika Brnić** is a student of Milos Mlejnik and Troels Svane. She is a three-time prize winner in the National Competition of Slovenia and the recipient of prizes in the Arenzano Competition (Italy) and Liezen Competition (Austria). She has performed as a soloist with the Philharmonic Orchestra of Slovenia and the Chamber Orchestra of Latvia and has appeared as a recitalist in Slovenia, Croatia, Italy, Austria, Switzerland and Lithuania.