

## Magdalena Ursu

### Biography



Magdalena Ursu is currently the Head of Violin and Strings Department of the Dinu Lipatti National College of Arts in Bucharest. As a violin teacher, she is recognized by a vast experience in the department, of 38 years. In fact, one of the most recent proofs of her recognition consists in the Mentor award, an award granted by the Foundation for Community to the 10 most deserving teachers in Romania.

Her dedication and ambition as a teacher are also proven by the fact that, although she graduated brilliantly from the University of Music in Bucharest in the Pedagogy, she returned to the music University just a few years later to complete the courses of the Violin Instrumental Section.

In regards to the activity in the department, Magdalena Ursu has gained an enviable reputation in the field as a violin teacher, bringing annually at least 5 national Olympians for more than ten years. This year, 8 of her students were selected to perform at the Musical Performance Olympics - Violin at the national stage.

Magdalena Ursu's students are winners of other important prizes, including at international level, such as *Grumiaux* International Competition, *Bravo!* International Competition, *Schontal* International Violin Competition, *Remember Enescu* International Competition, *The Muse* International Competition and others. Her record as a teacher includes hundreds of other national competitions where, under her guidance, the students won not only first prizes, but also Grand Trophies.

Over the years, the students trained by her continued their studies both at the University of Music in Bucharest and at other prestigious music faculties around the world. Of these, most of them today are renowned teachers and violinists, respected performers, members of various world famous orchestras and concertmasters.