



## Traian Sturza

Traian Sturza, born in 1997 in Romania, started playing bassoon at the age of 10 in the National School of Arts in Iași, Romania with Prof. Valentin Petrescu. He also studied for many years with Constantin Barcov. In 2015, he was awarded the Ioan Goia Trophy.

After graduating from the School of Arts in Iasi, Traian Sturza was awarded the Woodruff Award Scholarship and completed his Bachelor at the Schwob School of Music in Columbus, Georgia, USA, where he received instruction from Dr. Ronald Wirt and Dr. Stephanie Patterson. He has taken part in numerous music festivals, such as the Britten-Pears Young Artist Program, the Brevard Music Festival, the Pacific Music Festival, and the Schleswig-Holstein Music Festival.

As an orchestral musician, Traian Sturza has worked with orchestras in the USA, such as the Columbus Symphony Orchestra and the Lagrange Symphony, and spent a season as co-principal bassoonist of the Malmo Opera in Sweden. As a soloist, he has performed with the Moldova Philharmonic in Iași, Romania, the Lagrange Symphony, the CSU Philharmonic, and the Brevard Music Festival Orchestra.

Currently, Traian Sturza is completing his master's degree as a student of Dag Jensen at the College of Music and Theater in Munich.