

The Tanaka-Dziurbiel piano duo was founded in 2016 by Chiemi Tanaka (Japan) and Krzysztof Dziurbiel (Poland) and has enjoyed international popularity with numerous invitations to festivals and concerts.

In 2019 Tanaka-Dziurbiel made their debut at the Musikverein Graz and have been recording extensively for the Austrian Broadcasting Corporation ORF. While focusing largely on the classical repertoire, they also enjoy regular collaborations with contemporary composers which led to their participation at the Graz festival "Tage der neuen Klaviermusik" in 2021 and to several recordings of contemporary Austrian works. The duo was recently invited to Linz for a concert as part of the "Take Six" university conference.

Tanaka and Dziurbiel also devote themselves to writing arrangements of works for piano duo. Among their most recent achievements is an arrangement of Béla Bartók's Sonata for two pianos and percussion which has been enthusiastically received in its concert version for two pianos accompanied by a third piano. In 2022, the two pianists graduated with distinction from Silver Garburg's piano duo class at the University of Music and Performing Arts Graz.

The same year, they released their first CD with a live concert recording of contemporary music in cooperation with the Styrian Tonkünstlerbund.

The Tanaka-Dziurbiel piano duo has further received awards from international juries at renowned competitions:

In 2016 and 2017 they were awarded 2nd prizes at the Martha Debelli Competition in Graz (Austria) in the category "piano duo" (with no 1st prizes awarded in those years) following which they won the 1st prize in 2018. They were awarded first prize in the chamber music category at the European Music Competition "Citta di Moncalieri" in Italy. In 2017 in Italy they were awarded the highest prizes at the International Piano Competition "Città di San Donà di Piave", the International Music Competition "Val Tidone" and the International Piano Competition "ISCHIA".

The Tanaka-Dziurbiel Piano Duo also won 2nd prize in the chamber music category at the Grand Prize Virtuoso Recordings Competition in Salzburg (Austria), leading to an invitation to perform at the Salzburg Mozarteum.

In 2018 and 2019 they won international competitions in Austria, Italy and Slovenia with prizes at the International Music Competition "Citta di Sarzana" (Italy) and at the Oskar Rieding International Competition for Young Musicians in Celje (Slovenia), alongside several concert opportunities. They also celebrated successes at the International Competition "Luigi Zanuccoli" in Savignano sul Rubicone (Italy).

Tanaka-Dziurbiel performed as finalists of the international music competition "Classic Pure Vienna" at the Mozarthaus Vienna, and they were prizewinners at the International Danubia Talent Music Competition in Hungary and the Music and Stars Award competition.

In 2021 the duo was honored with the highest prize at the International AEMC Chamber Music Competition in Italy. As a bonus prize, they were awarded a CD production, a press release and an invitation to the "Virtuoso and Virtuosi in Virtuale" festival. The same year, they won the "Wiener Klassiker" International Danubia Talents Online Music Competition (Austria), the International Piano Competition Smederevo (Serbia), the International Piano Competition of the World Piano Teachers Association (Finland), an online music competition in Paris (France), the Gold Hands Prize and the Best Composer's Award of the 20th-21st Century at the Carles and Sofia International Piano Competition in Spain for which they were invited to concerts in Barcelona and Girona.

Tanaka-Dziurbiel have further received awards at the IS CART International Music Competition in Switzerland, the International Competition for Instrumental and Vocal Performances in Romania, the Cadenza Competition in Italy, the International Music Competition OPUS 2021 in Kraków (Poland), the American Classical Young Musician Award in the USA, the World Chamber Music E-Competition "Napolinova" in Italy and the International Music Competition in Quebec (Canada).

Currently, Tanaka-Dziurbiel are planning the recording of their second CD and they are preparing for their debut at the Styrian Chamber Music Festival in Graz.