

Wenchen Qin

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Wenchen Qin was born in Erdos, Inner Mongolia, on 29 October 1966. From 1987 he attended Shanghai Conservatory, where he studied composition with Xu Shuya and Zhu Jianer. After taking his degree in 1992, he taught at the Central Conservatory of Music in Beijing.

In 1998 a German Academic Exchange Scholarship enabled him to study with Nicolaus A. Huber, Folkwang Conservatory, Essen. Since returning to China in 2001 he has again taught at the Central Conservatory of Music in Beijing.

Wenchen Qin is one of the leading Chinese composers of his generation. In recent years he has written many works commissioned by musical institutions outside of China. He collaborates with excellent ensembles, and his music is often performed abroad.