, Jussi Främling

COLLABORATIVE PIANIST

Mr. Jussi Främling is one of Finland's distinguished collaborative pianists. He studied at the Tampere and Helsinki conservatories as well as the Sibelius Piano Academy. He has been the personal accompanist to such renowned singers as Tamara Lund, Alexandru Ionitza, Maria Lund, Jaakko Ryhänen as well as Marjatta Airas, Sauli Tiilikainen, Jaakko Kortekangas, Juhana Suninen, and Tero Harjunniemi. Mr. Främling has worked among others at the opera houses of Tampereen Teatteri, Tampereen Työväen Teatteri, Pyynikki Summer Theatre (Tampere), Valkeakoski City Theatre and at the Tampere Music Theatre both as a pianist and as an actor. His roles include those of Frederic Chopin (in Bruno Villien's "Un amour qui attend la mort" at the Tampereen Theatre), Ladislav Sipos in J. Bock's "She loves me", Celestin Formant in Paul Abraham's "A Ball in Savoy", and Trofimov in Anton Tchekov's "The Cherry Garden". He has made numerous television appearances. On a personal note, Mr. Främling is a passionate figure skater. He takes a keen interest in artists and prominent personalities of the past such as composer Joseph Beer whose music counts among his favorites.

