



**Ren Jie:**  
**Born to Be Chinese Harp**  
**Musician**

*In the cold winter, you resisted bitter coldness with Gu Zheng (Chinese harp).  
You plucked strings with slim fingers and melodious sounds retreated the coldness.  
The snow melted into clean spring water to moisten the green dreamland.  
You were born to be a Chinese harp musician.  
You opened the door of arts with the key of youth.  
In the sky of music, you fly as a free bird, showing angel-like charms.  
Behind the brilliant music you play, however, there are not only smiles but also tears.*

### The musician's artistic profile:

Ren Jie, a graduate student in Gu Zheng and a young Gu Zheng musician under the mentorship of master educators Yan Aihua and Wang Zhongjun.

- Age 6 Began learning Gu Zheng;
- Age 8 Admitted as Gu Zheng solo by Nanjing Little Red Flower Arts Troupe;
- 1994 Enrolled in the middle school attached to Nanjing Arts College;
- 2001 Enrolled in the Music School of Nanjing Arts College;
- 2005 Enrolled in the graduate program of Nanjing Arts College as the most excellent applicant;

Awards and prizes Ren Jie has won include Wenhua Award for arts colleges by the Ministry of Culture of China, Gold Prize for Gu Zheng at the Second National Traditional Instruments Performance Competition, and Gold Prize for Gu Zheng at Jinzhong Award Ceremony (China's highest award for music).

Ren Jie has conducted cooperation with a number of renowned composers in playing their new compositions and performed for state leaders and distinguished foreign guests on many official occasions. She also played at the closing ceremony of the Tenth National Games and the CCTV Spring Festival Show. Countries and regions she has toured include Germany, France, Japan, Singapore, Hong Kong and Taiwan. As a solo player, Ren has been invited to join in many arts festivals, music festivals as well as important international concerts. Some foreign TV stations, radios and other media organizations have gave her interviews.

Ren has produced a dozen of CD albums and she appears in the music textbook for elementary and junior middle schools. ■

