

Ivan Gusev is a pianist born in Karaganda, Kazakhstan in 1988. In 1992 he moved with his family to Russia. He started to play the piano at age 6 at the School of Arts in Korolev, Moscow region. During his first school years he won the Korolev competition twice, the competition of the Moscow Region and won an award at a Russian national competition. At age 9 he was invited to continue his studies at the Chopin Music School of the Moscow College of Instrumental performance, class of Elena Kaminskaya.

In 2004 Ivan entered the Gnessin College of Music. During his college years he was the winner of the International Competition in Finland (Jyvaskyla). He received the highest mark for his graduate piano performance exam.

In 2008 Ivan began his studies at the Moscow State Conservatory, classes of professors Mikhail Voskresensky and Eliso Virsaladze. In 2013 he graduated from the Moscow Conservatory with highest honors. In 2015 Ivan completed his graduate studies at the Moscow Conservatory graduating with highest honors.

Ivan is the winner of the 3rd Gershwin International Music Competition in New York, a prize-winner of the Mauro Monopoli Prize International Piano Competition (Barletta, Italy, 2013), the Benditsky Russian piano competition (Russia, 2014), Dorothy MacKenzie Artist Recognition scholarship award (International Keyboard Institute and Festival, New York, USA, 2015), the Third International Stanislav Neuhaus Piano Competition (Russia, 2015), New York Festival and Piano Competition (New York, USA, 2017, winner of the best performance of the 20th Century composer work prize).