

Flutist Petri Alanko won first prize at the 1989 Kobe International Flute Competition and again at the Munich ARD Competition in 1990.

Petri Alanko was the principal flutist in the Zurich Opera Orchestra in 1987-88 and in the Finnish Radio Symphony Orchestra in 1988-2010. Currently Alanko is the main flute teacher in Sibelius Academy (University of the Arts), Helsinki.

He has made several recordings, including three CD's of flute concertos. In 2009 he premiered the flute concerto "Soie" by Lotta Wennäkoski with the Finnish Radio Symphony Orchestra.

In 2000-2005 Petri Alanko was the Artistic Director of Crusell Music Festival in Uusikaupunki, Finland. Since 2005 Petri Alanko has worked as a jury member in international flute competitions in Munich (ARD), Kobe, Odense (Nielsen), Beijing (Nicolet), Krakow, Budapest, Uelzen (Kuhlau) and Uusikaupunki (Crusell).