Since winning the German Music Competition in 2013 and being nominated SWR2 New Talent Janina Ruh is a highly requested cellist.

In her Southern German hometown Rottweil, Janina Ruh began to learn the cello when she was 8 years old and her progress was rapid: with 12 years, she was accepted as a junior student in Zurich, later in Dusseldorf, then studied with David Geringas and Wolfgang Emanuel Schmidt in Berlin and is currently under the tutelage of László Fenyö.

In addition, she studied singing at the Berlin University of Arts under Julie Kaufmann. Since 2015, she learns with Carola Höhn.

She received awards at several cello competitions, among them the Lutoslawski International Cello Competition in Warsaw and the International Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow. As cello soloist she has already toured half of Europe: from Milan to Warsaw and Helsinki- with orchestras such as the Latvian National Symphony Orchestra, the MDR Leipzig Radio Symphony Orchestra, the Warsaw Philharmonic Orchestra, the Tapiola Sinfonietta from Finland, the Cameristi della Scala Milan and the SWR Stuttgart Symphony Orchestra.

She also gives numerous chamber concerts, preferably with Boris Kusnezow as her pianist. Their latest CD includes sonatas and songs by French composer Poulenc, Franck and Debussy and was published in November 2016 with Naxos Germany and SWRclassics.

Since 2016 she performs on a cello built by Pietro Guarneri (Cremona, 1725) - a loan from the L-Bank Baden- Württemberg.