

The Bruckner Orchester Linz

The history of the Bruckner Orchester Linz spans 200 years of tradition and excellence. In the last three decades, it has won an international reputation as one of the leading orchestras of Central Europe.

Consisting of 110 musicians, the orchestra is not only the concert orchestra for the state of Upper Austria but also the opera orchestra at the Landestheater Linz, and participates in the Bruckner Festival, the Ars Electronica Festival and the Linzer Klangwolke. The Bruckner Orchester Linz has performed extensively in The United States (2005, 2009), Germany, Spain and Italy under Chief Conductor Dennis Russell Davies in addition to appearances in Japan and France. Recent tours have featured concerts in New York City, Paris, Vienna and Istanbul.

The Bruckner Orchester records prolifically including recent productions of Bruckner's "Nullte" and 5th symphonies in completion of a Bruckner cycle for arte nova/SONY as well as of Symphonies 6, 7 and 8 by Philip Glass. The orchestra has already gained an excellent reputation for its recordings of works by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Franz Schubert, Siegfried Matthus, Franz Schmidt, Erich Wolfgang Korngold and Gustav Holst.

During its long and venerable history, the orchestra has performed with such luminaries as Clemens Kraus, Hans Knappertsbusch, Sergiu Celibidache, Kurt Eichhorn, Vaclav Neumann, and Christoph von Dohnányi. In recent times, the distinguished roster has included Zubin Mehta, Serge Baudo, Horst Stein, Vladimir Fedosejew, Michael Gielen, Bernhard Klee, Steven Sloane, Stanislaw Skrowaczewski and Franz Welser-Möst. The Resident Conductor is Ingo Ingensand. Maestro Heinrich Schiff appears regularly with the orchestra, both as soloist and as conductor. He was named the Principal Guest Conductor in 2004.

Dennis Russell Davies began his tenure as Chief Conductor and Music Director of the Bruckner Orchester Linz in 2002.