

THE DRESDEN PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

The Orchestra was founded on 1870.

First post-war concert was given on 8th June 1945.

During 1947 Musical Director-General Professor Heinz Bongartz was appointed conductor of the Dresden Philharmonic.

During 1950 and few weeks after the foundation of the German Democratic Republic, the Orchestra became a state institution.

During 1954 the Orchestra had his first post-war concert tour abroad to France and Roumania.

During 1956 the Orchestra had his tour in Italy.

During 1957 the orchestra had visited Spain, Portugal, France Switzerland and Poland.

During 1959 the Orchestra had a six-week concert tour in China and then in Czechoslovakia.

During November 1960 a ceremony had been held in honour of the 90th Anniversary of the Dresden Philharmonic Orchestra.

From 1961 to 1963 the Orchestra visited Czechoslovakia, Yougoslavia, and Poland.

On 1st September 1964 Professor Horst Forster took over the direction of the Orchestra.

On 10th December 1964, the Orchestra was awarded the First Prize in the Orchestral Competition sponsored by the Confederation of Free German Trade Unions.

During 1966 the Orchestra visited Bulgaria.

