

## Dresden Philharmonic

Upon being founded in 1870, the Dresden Philharmonic brought a new spirit to the city's public music culture with its performances at the Gewerbehaus-saal. The Orchestra remains true to this tradition today. As the city's Orchestra, the Dresden Philharmonic is conscious of its obligation to a diverse audience. In addition to its classical-romantic core repertoire, the Dresden Philharmonic has always been open to performing contemporary compositions. The Orchestra continues this trend today, with recently commissioned works from Sofia Gubaidulina, Rodion Schtschedrin, Gija Kancheli, and Michael Nyman. Noteworthy conductors and soloists regularly gave guest performances with the Dresden Philharmonic: Johannes Brahms, Pyotr Tchaikovsky, Antonín Dvořák and Richard Strauss came to conduct their own works. In later years, this included artists like Hermann Abendroth, Eduard van Beinum, Fritz Busch, Eugen Jochum, Joseph Keilberth, Erich Kleiber, Hans Knappertsbusch, Franz Konwitschny or Arthur Nikisch. In recent times, the Orchestra has worked with guest conductors such as Marc Albrecht, Dennis Russell Davies, Miguel Harth-Bedoya, Kristjan Järvi, Michail Jurowski, Dmitri Kitajenko, Yakov Kreizberg, Sir Neville Marriner, Wayne Marshall, Kurt Masur, Ingo Metzmacher, Andris Nelsons, Markus Poschner, André Previn, Karl-Heinz Steffens, Yuri Temirkanov, Yan Pascal Tortelier, Sebastian Weigle, Simone Young and Lothar Zagrosek. Regular guest appearances by soloists such as Rudolf Buchbinder, Julia Fischer, Kirill Gerstein, Matthias Goerne, Vadim Gluzman, Martin Grubinger, Håkan Hardenberger, Michaela Kaune, Anne-Sophie Mutter, Daniel Müller-Schott, Fazıl Say and Jean-Yves Thibaudet have also enriched the Orchestra's repertoire. In 1909, the Dresden Philharmonic became one of the first German orchestras to perform a concert tour in the United States. Since then, concert tours have taken the Dresden Philharmonic to the major music centres of Europe, the Americas and Asia. Michael Sanderling, Principal Conductor since 2011–2012, will lead the Dresden Philharmonic this season on tours to the United States, to Japan and to the leading central European music centres, including Cologne, Munich and Vienna.

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