Klosters Music 2023 media release at the start of the festival

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The excitement builds as the start of the festival approaches

Everything has been done to make the 5th edition of Klosters Music (29 July to 6 August 2023) one to remember. Never before have so many tickets been purchased in advance as this year. A whole region is looking forward to the classical music festival, which presents eight symphony and chamber concerts, a cinema evening with live orchestra and an author reading, and for the first time a choir.

Klosters Music celebrates masterpieces – especially in its anniversary edition. This year's motto " for Sehnsucht Natur. Musical Landscapes" highlights the combination of first-class music and beautiful Alpine panorama that audiences experience at this festival. The personal atmosphere of the concerts and the wonderful surroundings play an essential part in ensuring that international classical music stars such as Sol Gabetta, Arabella Steinbacher and Sir András Schiff are also happy to return.

For the opening concert on 29 July, French soprano Julie Fuchs returns after her acclaimed Handel Recital 2021 with an opera gala featuring arias by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and Gioachino Rossini, accompanied by the Camerata Salzburg under Daniel Cohen. Joseph Haydn's oratorio "The Creation" with the Basel Chamber Orchestra and the Bavarian Radio Choir conducted by Giovanni Antonini on 30 July is a special highlight in the festival's history, especially since the soloist ensemble with Nikola Hillebrand (soprano), Maximilian Schmitt (tenor) and Florian Boesch (baritone) is of the highest calibre. Antonio Vivaldi's "Four Seasons" will be brought to life by German violinist Arabella Steinbacher and the Kammerakademie Potsdam (3 August). Further masterpieces are on the programme with Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's Clarinet Concerto, played by the German-Israeli soloist Sharon Kam, and Ludwig van Beethoven's 6th Symphony "Pastorale". The interpretation of the Deutsche Kammerphilharmonie Bremen under the highly talented Finnish guest conductor Tarmo Peltokoski will also undoubtedly be of great interest (5 August).

The concert by Immanuel Richter (trumpet) and Rudolf Lutz (organ) in St. Jacob's Church (2 August), entitled "Heavenly Fanfares", brings some royal splendour. The chamber music evening "Funkenschlag" presents the exceptional trio Veronika Eberle (violin), Antoine Tamestit (viola) and Sol Gabetta (violoncello) on Stradivari instruments (works by Beethoven and Dohnányi, 4 August). The already traditional, very popular cinema event with live music on the national holiday (5pm) this time features three silent films by Charlie Chaplin, Laurel & Hardy (Dick & Doof) and Buster Keaton, with music by the City Light Chamber Orchestra conducted by Kevin Griffiths. For the first time, the festival's programme also includes "Carnival of the Animals", an approximately one-hour, relaxed family concert in the Old Schoolhouse (31 July). On the same day, the renowned Swiss author Thomas Hürlimann talks to Fedora Wesseler about his latest works in the Bolt studio and reads excerpts from "Der Rote Diamant" and "Abendspaziergang mit dem Kater". At the end on 6 August, Sir András Schiff will give one of

his impressive piano recitals, which he will also present, in the Arena Klosters concert hall under the title "Out of the Silence", as he has done in recent festival years. What he will play remains a secret until the concert begins.

For more detailed information on the Klosters Music programme (29.7. to 6.8.2023) and ticket ordering visit: www.klosters-music.ch

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