

VILNIUS FESTIVAL 2025

29-th festival

May 30 – June 20*, 2025

**Post scriptum* – August 20

May 30, Friday, 19.00, Lithuanian National Philharmonic Concert Hall

The Great Romantics. Christian Tetzlaff and the LNSO Interpret Brahms and Sibelius

LITHUANIAN NATIONAL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

(artistic director and principal conductor Modestas Pitrenas)

Soloist CHRISTIAN TETZLAFF (violin, Germany)

Conductor MIRIAN KHUKHUNAISHVILI (Georgia)

Programme:

JOHANNES BRAHMS – Concerto for violin and orchestra in D major, Op. 77

JEAN SIBELIUS – Symphony No. 1 in E minor, Op. 39

Ticket prices – 21, 31, 41, 51, 61 Eur

June 1, Saturday, 19.00, Lithuanian National Philharmonic Concert Hall

European Baroque Journey. “Akademie für Alte Musik Berlin”, Georg Kallweit

AKADEMIE FÜR ALTE MUSIK BERLIN Early Music Chamber Orchestra (Germany)

Soloist and concertmaster GEORG KALLWEIT (baroque violin, Germany)

Programme:

FRANCESCO MARIA VERACINI – Overture No. 6 in G minor for two oboes, bassoon, string orchestra and *basso continuo*

TARQUINIO MERULA – Canzona No. 4, Op. 12, *La treccia* (The Braid) for two violins and *basso continuo*

GEORG FRIEDRICH HÄNDEL – *Concerto grosso* for two violins, cello and string orchestra No. 1 in G major, Op. 6, HWV 319

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH – Concerto for violin, orchestra and *basso continuo* No. 2 in E major, BWV 1042

ANTONIO VIVALDI – Concerto for two oboes, strings and *basso continuo* in D minor, RV 353

JOHANN VALENTIN MEDER – Chaconne in C major for two solo instruments and *basso continuo*

GEORG PHILIPP TELEMANN – Suite for string orchestra and *basso continuo* No. 6 in G minor *La Musette*, TWV 55:g1

FRANCESCO GEMINIANI – *Concerto grosso* No. 12 in D minor, H. 143 *La Folia* for two violins, string orchestra and *basso continuo*. Theme and variations after Arcangelo Corelli Violin sonata No. 12 in D minor, Op. 5 *La Folia*

Ticket prices – 21, 31, 41, 51 Eur

June 4, Wednesday, 19.00, Lithuanian National Philharmonic Concert Hall

Maestra Mūza Rubackytė. Vilnius to Venice

MŪZA RUBACKYTĖ (piano; Lithuania, France, Switzerland)

Programme:

LEOPOLD GODOWSKY – Sonata in E minor, 1st mvt. – *Allegro non troppo, ma appassionato*

MIKALOJUS KONSTANTINAS ČIURLIONIS – Preludes: D minor (VL 239), D minor (VL 294, *Ruduo/Autumn*), F minor (VL 197); Nocturnes: C sharp minor (VL 183), F sharp minor (VL 178)

FERENC LISZT – *Venezia e Napoli* (Venice & Naples), S. 162

RAMINTA ŠERKŠNYTĖ – *Pasakalija* (Passacaglia) for piano

FERENC LISZT – Sonata in B minor, S. 178

Ticket prices – 21, 31, 41, 51, 61 Eur

June 6, Friday, 19.00, Lithuanian National Philharmonic Concert Hall

French Horizons with Maurice Ravel. LNSO, Victorien Vanoosten, Gabrielė Bukinė

LITHUANIAN NATIONAL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

(artistic director and principal conductor Modestas Pitrenas)

Soloist and conductor VICTORIEN VANOOSTEN (piano, France)

Soloist GABRIELĖ BUKINĖ (soprano)

Programme:

MAURICE RAVEL – *Daphnis et Chloé* Suite No.1, M. 57a; Concerto for piano and orchestra in

G major, M. 83; Song cycle *Shéhérazade* for soprano and orchestra, M. 41; *Bolero*, M. 81

Ticket prices – 21, 31, 41, 51, 61 Eur

June 7, Saturday, 19.00, Lithuanian National Philharmonic Concert Hall

Violin Star Janine Jansen and the Camerata Salzburg Orchestra. Visions of Čiurlionis and Mendelssohn

CAMERATA SALZBURG Orchestra (Austria)

Soloist JANINE JANSEN (violin, Netherlands)

Orchestra leader / concertmaster GREGORY AHSS (violin, Israel)

Programme:

MIKALOJUS KONSTANTINAS ČIURLIONIS – String quartet in C minor (orchestra version by Vilhelmas Čepinskis)

FELIX MENDELSSOHN – Concerto for violin and orchestra in E minor, Op. 64; Symphony No. 5 in D major/D minor, Op. 107 (*Reformation*)

Ticket prices – 31, 41, 51, 61, 81 Eur

The concert is partly funded by the Ministry of Culture's Professional Art Promotion Programme

June 11, Wednesday, 19.00, Lithuanian National Philharmonic Concert Hall

Piano Legend Sir András Schiff Interprets the Classics

Sir ANDRÁS SCHIFF (piano, United Kingdom)

Works by Johann Sebastian Bach, Joseph Haydn, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Ludwig van Beethoven, Franz Schubert

Ticket prices – 21, 31, 41, 51, 61 Eur

June 13, Friday, 19.00, Lithuanian National Philharmonic Concert Hall

Invocations of Faith and Hope. LNSO, KVCH, Robertas Šervenikas, Darius Meškauskas

LITHUANIAN NATIONAL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

(artistic director and principal conductor Modestas Pitrenas)

KAUNAS STATE CHOIR

(artistic director and principal conductor Robertas Šervenikas)

DARIUS MEŠKAUSKAS (narrator)

Conductor ROBERTAS ŠERVENIKAS

Programme:

ONUTĖ NARBUTAITĖ – *A Melody in the Garden of Olives (Melodija Alyvų sode)* for symphony orchestra (Symphony No. 2, Part 2 – *A Melody*)

ALGIRDAS MARTINAITIS – Oratorio *Tikėjimo ir vilties invokacijos* (Invocations of Faith and Hope) (liturgical, Freedom Struggle Archive, Maironis, Vincas Mykolaitis-Putinas and composer's texts)

Ticket prices – 21, 31, 41 Eur

June 15, Sunday, 19.00, Church of St. Casimir

Virtuosos from Taiwan Salute Vilnius

TAIWAN PHILHARMONIC CHAMBER ENSEMBLE:

HAO-TUN TENG (violin, leader of the ensemble), ZHI-HUI LIN (violin), JUBEL CHEN (viola), YI-SHIEN LIEN (cello), SHANNON SHUEN CHIEH (harp), MAY-LIN JU (clarinet)

Programme:

FRANZ POENITZ – Capriccio, Op. 73 for clarinet and harp

JUOZAS NAUJALIS – *Dream* for string quartet

YUAN-CHEN LI – *Tao of Meinong* for string quartet and clarinet

CHING-MEI LIN – *Enchanted Forest Whispers* for string quartet and harp

YU-HSIEN TENG – *April Rain* for string quartet (arranged by Ting-Chuan Chen)

Free admission

Concert organised in cooperation with PI “Religious Music Centre”

Partner of the concert – The Taiwanese Representative Office in Lithuania

June 18, Wednesday, 19.00, Lithuanian National Philharmonic Concert Hall

Dispute Between J.S. Bach and A. Žlabys. LCO, Sergej Krylov, Andrius Žlabys

LITHUANIAN CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Artistic director, soloist and conductor SERGEJ KRYLOV (violin)

Soloist ANDRIUS ŽLABYS (piano)

Programme:

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH – Brandenburg Concerto No. 5 in D major, BWV 1050; Concerto for keyboard and orchestra No. 1 in D minor, BWV 1052

GIUSEPPE TARTINI – Sonata for violin and piano in G minor, B. g5 (*Devil's Trill*, arrangement for orchestra by Hugo Kauder)

ANDRIUS ŽLABYS – *Movement for Strings and Piano*

Ticket prices – 21, 31, 41, 51, 61 Eur

June 20, Friday, 19.00, Lithuanian National Philharmonic Concert Hall

Star of the World opera Stages Joseph Calleja, LNSO, Modestas Pitrenas

LITHUANIAN NATIONAL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

(artistic director and principal conductor Modestas Pitrenas)

Soloist JOSEPH CALLEJA (tenor, Malta)

Conductor MODESTAS PITRĖNAS

Works by Giacomo Puccini, Antonín Dvořák, Jules Massenet, Joaquín Rodrigo, Joseph Vella, Georg Friedrich Händel, Francesco Paolo Tosti

Ticket prices – 41, 51, 61, 81, 101, 121 Eur

August 20, Wednesday, 19.00, Lithuanian National Philharmonic Concert Hall

SLAVA UKRAINI! Ukrainian Freedom Orchestra, Keri-Lynn Wilson, Rachel Willis-Sørensen

UKRAINIAN FREEDOM ORCHESTRA

Soloist RACHEL WILLIS-SØRENSEN (soprano, USA)

Conductor KERI-LYNN WILSON (Canada, USA)

Programme:

MAXIM KOLOMIETS – Suite from the opera *The Mothers of Kherson* (premiere)

RICHARD WAGNER – Prelude and *Liebestod* from the opera *Tristan und Isolde*

LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN – Symphony No. 5 in C minor (*Schicksalssinfonie/Fate*), Op. 67

Ticket prices – 21, 31, 41, 51, 61 Eur

Organisers of the Festival:

Lithuanian National Philharmonic Society, PI “Vilniaus festivaliai”

Sponsors of the Festival:

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