



Kuhmo and Savonlinna Festivals

Sunday 16th - Sunday 23th July 2017

During our week exploring the summer landscape of tranquil lakes and silver birch forests in the environs of Savonlinna and Kuhmo, we attend the following performances:

Monday 17th July, 11.00, in Kuhmo's wooden church

Franz Liszt (1811–1886):

Nuages gris, S. 199 for piano
Go

Ludwig van Beethoven (1770–1827):

String Quartet No. 14 in C sharp minor, Op. 131
Meta4

Intermission

Alban Berg (1885–1935):

Piano Sonata, Op. 1
Go

Bela Bartok (1881–1945):

String Quartet No. 1, Op. 7
O/MQ (Ticciati, Rowland, Lubbe, Arp)

Monday 17th July, 18.15, in Kuhmo Arts Centre

Antonio Vivaldi (1678–1741):

Flute Concerto in D, RV 428 'Il gardellino'
Thomsen, Nguyen, Etelävuori, B. Hilpo, Pulkkinen, Mäkiharju, Abendroth

Joseph Haydn (1732–1809):

String Quartet No. 53 in D, Op. 64/5 'Lark'
Meta4

Robert Schumann (1810–1856):

The Prophet Bird, Op. 82/7 (transcription for violin and piano by L. Auer)
Vähälä, Rucli

Intermission

Olivier Messiaen (1908–1992):

Abîme des oiseaux for solo clarinet
Lethiec

Peter Maxwell Davies (1934–):

Eight Songs for a Mad King
Florio, Kortelainen, Oramo, Boeschoten, Cohen, Lehtinen, Nurminen, Schmidt, M. Hilpo, Mäkelä

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Tuesday 18th July, 11.00, in Kuhmo Arts Centre

Antonio Vivaldi (1678–1741):

Flute Concerto in F, RV 433 'La tempesta di mare'
*Thomsen, Geka, Ibañez-Resjan, Mendelssohn, Kankkunen,
Mäkiharju, Abendroth*

Franz Schubert (1797–1828):

Allegro in A minor, D. 947 for piano four hands 'Lebensstürme'
Prosseda, Ammara

Jean-Philippe Rameau (1683–1764):

Prologue and Orage from *Platée*
*Bunel, Gleisner, Morita, Lehtinen, Nurminen, Mesirca, Pedrini,
Meta4, de Groot, Schmidt*

Ludwig van Beethoven (1770–1827):

Piano Sonata No. 17 in D minor, Op. 31/2 'Tempest'
Gröndahl

Wednesday 19th July, 19.00, in the **Olavinlinna Castle** in Savonlinna

MOZART: THE ABDUCTION FROM THE SERAGLIO

Sung in German. Finnish and English surtitles.
Duration approximately 3 hours. One interval.

Conductor: Christoph Altstaedt

*Cast includes: Sebastian Wirmitzer (Selim), Hulkar Sabirova (Konstanze),
Claire de Sévigné (Blonde), Jussi Myllys (Belmonte), Jonathan Winell (Pedrillo),
Petri Lindroos (Osmin).*

Savonlinna Opera Festival Orchestra and Savonlinna Opera Festival Choir

Thursday 20th July, 19.00, in the **Olavinlinna Castle** in Savonlinna

VERDI: RIGOLETTO

Sung in Italian. Finnish and English surtitles.
Duration approximately 3 hours. One interval after act I.

Conductor: Philippe Auguin

*Cast includes: Rame Lahaj (Duke of Mantua), Kiril Manolov (Rigoletto), Tuuli Takala (Gilda),
Merja Mäkelä (Giovanna), Taras Shtonda (Sparafucile), Katarina Giotas (Maddalena),
Juha Pikkarainen (Monterone), Mikko Järviluoto (Ceprano), Jussi Merikanto (Marullo),
Juha Riihimäki (Borsa).*

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Please note that the Savonlinna and Kuhmo Festival organisers reserve the right to alter the programme in exceptional circumstances.