

ORCHESTRAL CONCERTS

Vivid orchestral colour, surprise effects, colossal proportions: the orchestral concerts give a sense of the richness of European music since the 19th century. As French composer Bizet invented a Spanish sound-palette in *Carmen*, so Claude Debussy, Maurice Ravel and Manuel de Falla later combined French and Spanish elements in their music. The Vorarlberg Symphony Orchestra performs one of the best known French symphonies and shows Olivier Messiaen looking back in humility at the ever-smiling Mozart. A delirious passion is dramatically depicted by Hector Berlioz in his *Symphonie fantastique*.

The most famous sibling couple in operatic history – Siegmund and Sieglinde from Wagner's *Die Walküre* – are consumed by an overpowering passion fraught with danger. Their love becomes incandescent under the baton of Philippe Jordan, chief conductor of the Vienna Symphony Orchestra, joined by international star singers.

VIENNA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

24 July 2017 – 7.30 pm, Festspielhaus Conductor **Antonio Méndez** Piano **Javier Perianes**

Claude Debussy Iberia. Images pour orchestre, no. 2 Manuel de Falla Nights in the Gardens of Spain Maurice Ravel Concerto for Piano and Orchestra in G major Manuel de Falla The Three-Cornered Hat, Suites 1 and 2

30 July 2017 – 11 am, Festspielhaus Conductor **Philippe Jordan** Sieglinde **Martina Serafin** Siegmund **Andreas Schager** Hunding **Kwangchul Youn**

Richard Wagner Siegfried Idyll Richard Wagner Die Walküre. Act One

7 August 2017 – 7.30 pm, Festspielhaus Conductor **Constantinos Carydis** Percussion **Dimitris Desyllas**

Ernest Guiraud *Chasse fantastique*, symphonic poem **Minas Borboudakis** *Cassiopeia* for percussion and strings **Hector Berlioz** *Symphonie fantastique*

VORARLBERG SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

20 August 2017 – 11 am, Festspielhaus Conductor **Gérard Korsten** Violin **Paweł Zalejski** Viola **Piotr Szumieł**



Olivier Messiaen Un sourire

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Sinfonia Concertante in E flat major KV 364 (320d) **César Franck** Symphony in D minor

The 2017 Bregenz Festival runs from 19 July to 20 August 2017. For tickets and information, please visit www.bregenzerfestspiele.com or call tel. 0043 5574 4076.