

Biography



Tonhalle-Orchester Zürich

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Founded in 1868, the Tonhalle-Orchester Zürich is the oldest symphony orchestra in Switzerland. Top-class conductors have shaped the Tonhalle Orchestra Zurich and made it what it is today.

Chief conductors to date have included Friedrich Hegar, Volkmar Andreae, Erich Schmid, Hans Rosbaud, Rudolf Kempe, Gerd Albrecht, Christoph Eschenbach, Hiroshi Wakasugi and David Zinman.

The Tonhalle-Orchester Zürich has developed into one of the world's finest orchestras. The orchestra has also won important prizes all over the world. A new era has now been ushered in with the arrival in the 2014/15 season of new Chief Conductor and Music Director, Frenchman Lionel Bringuier.

In the summer of 2017, the orchestra will move to a new purpose-built timber-frame hall inside an existing industrial warehouse in the area north of Zurich's main train station. They will be based here for three years while the Tonhalle building, which is well over 100 years old, undergoes urgent and extensive renovation.

The Tonhalle-Orchester Zürich have engaged ICA to consult on the development of an extended media strategy and policy, including in particular the creation of digital streaming facilities within the orchestra's new purpose-built concert hall, and the renovated Tonhalle to which they will return in 2020.