

**Kevin Griffiths** 

London-born conductor Kevin Griffiths (1978) regularly conducts concerts with the following orchestras: Frankfurt hr-Radio Symphony Orchestra, Frankfurt Opera and Museum Orchestra, Tonhalle Orchestra Zurich, Robert Schumann Philharmonic, Basel Symphony Orchestra, Lucerne Symphony Orchestra, Orchestra della svizzera italiana, Badische Staatskapelle, Zurich Chamber Orchestra. He is also an annual guest at the Menuhin Festival Gstaad and the Vaduz-Classic Festival in Liechtenstein. From 2011 to 2018 he was Principal Conductor and Artistic Director of the Collegium Musicum Basel.

Recently, Kevin Griffiths has made several CD recordings with the Deutsche Staatsphilharmonie Rheinland-Pfalz and the Netherlands Symphony Orchestra, conducted the Orchestre National de Lille, the Transylvanian State Philharmonic and the South-Bohemian Philharmonic. He made his China debut with the Xi'an Symphony Orchestra and returned to the Musikkollegium Winterthu. Other engagements have taken him to the Badische Staatskapelle, Jenear Philharmonic, Meininger Hofkapelle, Philharmonic Orchestra Heidelberg, Orquesta Sinfonica de Navarra and the Hallé Orchestra Manchester.

As artistic director of the "Academy and Philharmonic Orchestra" of the Animato Foundation, which promotes young talented musicians, he conducted the tour in 2018 throughout Europe in cities such as Prague (Smetana hall), Budapest (Liszt Academy) and Vienna (Konzerthaus). The next tour will be in 2020.

His interest in historically informed performance is seen in his work with orchestras on original instruments, such as the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment in London or the Ensemble Musica Aeterna in Bratislava. As co-founder and principal conductor of the London Steve Reich Ensemble, he has won international recognition. For his debut CD he won the acclaimed Diapason d'Or award. His second highly praised recording with the ensemble was published in September 2011 by Warner Classics.

Kevin Griffiths regularly works with major soloists such as Sir James Galway, Pierre-Laurant Aimard, Vesselina Kasarova, Fazil Say, Isabelle van Keulen, Giuliano Carmignola, Sergei Nakariakov, Paul Lewis, Dmitry Sitkovetskzy, Michel Camilo and members of the Berlin Philharmonic. He collaborated closely with the composers Steve Reich, Daniel Schnyder, Enjott Schneider, Lera Auerbach, Steven Mackey, and premiered some of their works.

In 2010 Kevin Griffiths won the 2nd prize at the International Conducting Competition "Sir Georg Solti "in Frankfurt/Main.