



Changes for Symphony Concert 30 on 15 September 2018

Please note the following changes in connection with the 2018 Summer Festival. Since the conductor Mirga Gražinytė-Tyla is expecting a child in Summer, she will unfortunately not be able to perform at Lucerne Festival on 15 September. We are very pleased to announce that as her substitute we have been able to engage Omer Meir Wellber, **who will be making his Festival debut** when he conducts the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra in Symphony Concert 30. In place of the Violin Concerto in G minor by Mieczysław Weinberg, Gidon Kremer will play the First Violin Concerto by Béla Bartók. The other works remain unchanged. The complete program is as follows:

Symphony Concert 30 | 15 September | 16.30

KKL Luzern, Concert Hall

City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Omer Meir Wellber conductor

Gidon Kremer violin

Antonín Dvořák

Concert Overture *Othello*, Op. 93

Béla Bartók

Violin Concerto No. 1, Sz 36

Antonín Dvořák

Symphony No. 9 in E minor, Op. 95 *From the New World*

The Israeli conductor Omer Meir Wellber (born in 1981) has been Principal Guest Conductor of the Semperoper Dresden since 2018. He has conducted numerous top ensembles around the world, including the London Philharmonic Orchestra, the Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra, the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, the SWR Symphony Orchestra, the Orchester National de Lyon, the Staatskapelle Dresden, the RAI Torino Orchestra, and the Tonhalle Orchestra Zurich. He is a regular guest conductor at the Bavarian Staatsoper in Munich, La Fenice in Venice, and Israeli Opera. From 2008 to 2010 he was Daniel Barenboim's assistant at the Berlin Staatsoper Unter den Linden and at La Scala in Milan. From 2010 to 2014, Omer Meir Wellber was Music Director at the Palau de les Arts Reina Sofia in Valencia.

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Tickets remain valid. We are pleased to help with any further inquiries.

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