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Carlo Goldstein Conductor

Carlo Goldstein is the designated Principal Guest Conductor of the Wiener Volksoper with the beginning of the 2022/23 season.

In November 2021, he made his debut with the BBC Philharmonic as a stand-in, conducting, among other works, the UK premiere of Paul Ben-Haim's Symphony No. 2. He was immediately re-invited for the 2023/24 season as a result. Other recent highlights include a symphonic concert at Teatro Massimo in June 2021 - following his *Cavalleria rusticana* with Roberto Alagna and Aleksandra Kurzak in Palermo in summer 2020 - and the 2019/20 season opening at Sydney Opera with *La Bohème*.

In the coming seasons, Carlo Goldstein will make his debut in Copenhagen with *Aida* and conduct a new production each year at the Volksoper Wien. Re-invitations will also take him to Sydney Opera and to the Toscanini Orchestra in Parma.

In 2018 Carlo Goldstein made his debut at Sydney Opera with *Carmen* and at the Daegu International Opera Festival in Korea with *Turandot*. He is regularly invited to Korea, most recently to the Seoul Arts Center and Busan Arts Center with *Madama Butterfly* and *La Traviata* and to the Daegu Opera House with *Pagliacci*.

In Italy, Goldstein has conducted at the Teatro La Fenice and at the opera houses of Bari, Brescia, Como, Cremona, Livorno, Lucca, Pavia, Pisa and Reggio Emilia, among others. *Adriana Lecouvreur, Un ballo in maschera, La Bohème, Carmen, Così fan tutte, Turandot, La Traviata* as well as *Pagliacci* at the Teatro Sociale di Como Summer Festival - a production that won the prestigious Abbiati Prize. At the Festival della Valle d'Itria, Goldstein conducted the world premiere of *L'Orfeo. Immagini di una Iontananza* by Daniela Terranova, based on Luigi Rossi's *L'Orfeo* from 1642.

In addition to symphony concerts in Italy, e.g., with the Orchestra del Maggio Musicale, invitations have also taken him to orchestras in Israel and Russia, including the St. Petersburg State Symphony Orchestra and the Hermitage Symphony Orchestra. In 2018 Carlo Goldstein made his debut at the Sächsische Staatskapelle Dresden with works by Schönberg, Weber and Mendelssohn. He has worked together with Steven Isserlis, Avi Avital and Stephen Hough, among others.

On top of his musical education (e.g., at the Salzburg Mozarteum and the Royal College of Music London) Goldstein obtained a degree in philosophy (aesthetics) from the University of Milan. He has published several articles on aesthetics and music history. In 2009 Carlo Goldstein was awarded first prize at the International Conductors' Competition in Graz. A portrait of him was produced in the *Notevoli* series of the Classica channel and broadcast on Sky Italia. Omer Meir-Wellber discovered Goldstein as an extraordinary talent and initially made him his assistant in Valencia and Vienna. Today, the two artists are collaborating on a regular basis.

Carlo Goldstein researches the works he conducts very thoroughly. In musical realisation, liveliness and coherence are more important to him than interpretational traditions. His interpretations are full of warmth and sensitivity and develop their special charm without false grandeur. He usually conducts operas by heart, carrying his singers on his hands. Beyond being an adept Italian opera conductor, Goldstein has a profound knowledge of the – even remote – symphonic repertoire. He has conducted numerous premieres of works by Italian and international composers, including at the Milano Musica Festival and with the MDI Ensemble.

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