

## Youngmin Park, Conductor



In 2015, Youngmin Park was appointed Music Director and conductor of the Bucheon Philharmonic Orchestra. He studied at Universität Mozarteum Salzburg with Maestro Michael Gielen and graduated with the highest honours, as a recipient of the Paumgartner Medal from the Internationale Stiftung Mozarteum. Consequently, he was selected to study with Maestro Myung-Whun Chung, completing his studies at the Chigiana Academy in Siena, Italy with great distinction.

On his return to South Korea, Youngmin Park obtained the faculty position of professor of conducting at Chugye University for the Arts in Seoul at the age of 32. He also held the position of Music Director and Conductor of the Wonju Philharmonic

Orchestra (from 2011 to 2014), and of Seoul Classical Players (from 2001 to 2010).

In 2009, Youngmin Park made a highly acclaimed European debut in Musikverein in Vienna, Austria, with the Budapest Symphony Orchestra MÁV. He also appeared as a guest conductor with various European orchestras and Opera productions, including the Brno Philharmonic Orchestra in the Czech Republic, Stadttheater Bremerhaven Orchestra, Armenian Philharmonic Orchestra, Lithuanian National Symphony Orchestra, Opole Philharmonic Orchestra, Rzeszow Philharmonic Orchestra, North Czech Philharmonic, Nürnberg Symphony Orchestra, Orquestra do Norte in Portugal, Banda Municipal de Barcelona and Mallorca Symphony Orchestra in Spain.

In Asia, Youngmin has conducted the Seoul Philharmonic Orchestra, the KBS Symphony Orchestra and has toured Japan with the Orchestra Ensemble Kanazawa. A highlight of this tour was his successful performance of Mahler Symphony in La Folle Journée Festival in Japan.

Maestro Park has a vast repertoire that includes the complete symphonies of Mahler and tone poems of Richard Strauss. Recently he expanded his repertoire to the operatic genre, including Wagner's operas. In particular, his performance of the opera 'Tannhäuser' was highly praised for his 'successful venture,' and he is raising expectations for the production of Wagner's Opera 'Das Rheingold' next season.

Youngmin released two distinctive recordings featuring Mahler symphony No. 6 and No.1 which are critically acclaimed on Sony Classical.

The most recent news is the repertoire for Season 2017/18 mainly includes works of Richard Strauss and Mahler and Tour Europe including a concert at Philharmonie Berlin is expected.

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