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Andermatt Music:

Easter family concert with legendary skier Bernhard Russi as narrator

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Alpine ski racer, TV commentator, downhill course designer: Bernhard Russi is a man of many talents. On Easter Sunday, Andermatt's most famous native son will venture into new territory in the role as narrator for Sergei Prokofiev's symphonic fairy tale "Peter and the Wolf" in the Andermatt Concert Hall, accompanied by the Swiss Orchestra led by Lena-Lisa Wüstendörfer.

On Easter Sunday, the Swiss Orchestra, Andermatt's orchestra in residence, will perform a symphonic fairy tale loved by young and old alike: Sergei Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf". The work tells the story of the fearless boy Peter, who lives at the edge of the forest with his grandfather and his animal friends – the cat, the bird and the duck. When a wolf suddenly starts skulking around the house and garden, the adventure begins. The work introduces young listeners to various instruments of a symphony orchestra in an entertaining way. Each character is brought to life by a different instrument from the orchestra. The individual instruments will be introduced through short solo presentations at the beginning of the concert.

But this fairy tale also has a narrator – and on 17 April that will be no other than legendary skier Bernhard Russi. The Uri native has become something of a national treasure since his Olympic triumph for Switzerland in Sapporo, Japan, on 7 February 1972. On Easter Sunday, Bernhard Russi finds himself in a new role: "This will be the first time that I narrate a fairy tale in a concert performance. I am looking forward to telling the story of 'Peter and the Wolf' together with Lena-Lisa Wüstendörfer and the Swiss Orchestra, acquainting children with the world of classical music."

Programme

Sergei Prokofiev (1891–1953), "Peter and the Wolf", op. 67. A symphonic fairy tale for children (5 years and older) / in German language

Line-up

Swiss Orchestra Lena-Lisa Wüstendörfer, conductor Bernhard Russi, narrator

Tickets

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Andermatt Music

Andermatt Music brings music off the beaten track to Andermatt Concert Hall, Switzerland's highest concert venue. Andermatt Music presents around 20 concerts annually. In 2022 the Swiss conductor and musicologist Lena-Lisa Wüstendörfer takes the helm as Artistic Director. Her programme centres on the three pillars "Swiss Orchestra – Schweizer Klassik", "World Stage – Welt Bühne" and "Local Roots – Heimat Klänge". In addition to the Swiss Orchestra as orchestra in residence, it features acclaimed classical music stars, world-famous orchestras and outstanding Swiss ensembles. Andermatt Music establishes the Alpine destination as a magnet for classical music fans and quests from all over the world, as well as a cultural meeting point for Central Switzerland. andermattmusic.ch

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