

ANNA-MARIA HELSING | CONDUCTOR

Anna-Maria Helsing has gained an outstanding reputation with leading Scandinavian orchestras and opera houses with her special affinity for the sound and style of modernism and contemporary music.

Since 2023 she holds the position as Chief Conductor of BBC Concert Orchestra. Since 2025 she is at the helm of the Vaasa City Orchestra in Finland. In addition she is Artistic Director of the high-profile chamber music festival Rusk in Jakobstad, Finland.

The Swedish-Finnish conductor has led major Scandinavian orchestras including Finnish Radio Symphony Orchestra, Helsinki Philharmonic, Tampere Philharmonic, Tapiola Sinfonietta, Lahti Sinfonia, Royal Stockholm Philharmonic, Göteborg Symphony, Swedish Radio Symphony, Malmö Symphony, Norrköping Symphony, Norwegian Radio Orchestra, Stavanger and Trondheim Symphony, Iceland Symphony, Danish Philharmonic, Odense Symphony, Aalborg Symphony, Finnish National Opera, Royal Swedish Opera, Göteborg Opera, Malmö Opera, Avanti! Chamber Orchestra and others.

Furthermore she was at the rostrum of Philharmonia Orchestra, Royal Philharmonic, BBC Philharmonic, Royal Scottish National Orchestra, Barcelona Symphony Orchestra, Budapest Festival Orchestra, Musikkollegium Winterthur, Staatsorchester Wiesbaden, Brno Philharmonic and Vancouver Symphony.

Upcoming highlights encompass engagements with the National Symphony of Ireland, Orchestre National de Bordeaux, Finnish Radio Symphony, Tampere Philharmonic, Helsinki and Turku Philharmonic, Tapiola Sinfonietta, Norrköping Symphony and a new production at Finnish National Opera.

Anna-Maria Helsing made her operatic debut at the Finnish National Opera, Royal Danish Opera, Folkoperan Stockholm, Göteborg Opera, Icelandic Opera, Savonlinna Opera Festival. She conducted world premieres and contemporary Nordic opera in Tampere, Vaasa, Pitea and Åland. In 2025 she made her debut at Royal Swedish Opera.

Anna-Maria Helsing began her career as a violinist and completed her studies as conductor at Sibelius Academy Helsinki. In addition she has attended masterclasses with Jorma Panula, Vladimir Jurowski and John Carewe.

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