

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.

Anna-Maria Helsing has led almost all major Scandinavian orchestras. Furthermore she was at the rostrum of Philharmonia Orchestra, Roya 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, Tapiola Sinfonietta, Norrköping Symphony and a new production at the Finnish National Opera.

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

Anna-Maria Helsing began her career as a violinist and graduated from the world famous conductors class at the Sibelius Academy Helsinki. In addition she has attended masterclasses with Esa-Pekka Salonen, Jorma Panula, John Carewe and Vladimir Jurowski.

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