

## CHORWERK RUHR

Chorwerk Ruhr is one of Germany's leading chamber choirs. The flexibility of its solo line-ups, combined with the ensemble's seamless blend in choral sound, are what define the distinctive quality of this vocal ensemble, founded in 1999.

The multi-award-winning conductor Florian Helgath has shaped Chorwerk Ruhr into an international ensemble of the highest calibre, both in the field of A cappella music and in the choral symphonic repertoire, whilst placing new choral music in the context of traditional musical forms at the forefront. The ensemble's versatility is evident in numerous commissioned works and world premieres by renowned contemporary composers.

Chorwerk Ruhr cooperates with orchestras such as Deutsche Kammerphilharmonie Bremen, Berliner Philharmoniker, Concerto Köln, Ensemble Resonanz, Ensemble Modern, Schönberg Ensemble Amsterdam, Symphonieorchester des Bayerischen Rundfunks as well as with conductors as Kent Nagano, Sylvain Cambreling, Adam Fischer, Reinhard Goebel, Susanna Mälkki, Peter Rundel, Hans Zender, Yuval Weinberg, Martina Batic, Kaspars Putniņš and Paul Hillier among others.

Upcoming highlights include performances at the Festival of European Church Music in Schwäbisch Gmünd and the Music & Church Festival in Brixen with Concerto Köln, followed by A cappella concerts in Tilburg, Groningen and Arnhem. The vocal group is scheduled at Konzerthaus Dortmund together with Rascher Saxophone Quartet.

Chorwerk Ruhr is a regular partner of the Ruhrtriennale festival.

The choir's discography reflects its versatility and spectrum from Renaissance to contemporary music with works ranging from Gluck, Schumann and Schönberg to Rihm. Meanwhile seven albums by Chorwerk Ruhr and Florian Helgath are released with Brahms: A German Requiem, Mozart: Requiem, *Bodenschätze: Motets of the 17<sup>th</sup> century* with Capella de la Torre, *Musikalische Exequien: Schütz*, Kagel: Chorbuch, Brahms: Choir songs (*Als ob mich Engel riefen*) and *Abendlob und Morgenglanz: Rachmaninow Vigil op. 37* for Coviello Classics.

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