



VIVIANE HAGNER, Violin

Munich-born violinist Viviane Hagner has won exceptional praise for her highly intelligent musicality and passionate artistry. Since making her international debut at the age of 12, and a year later participating in the legendary ‘joint concert’ of the Israel and Berlin Philharmonics (conducted by Zubin Mehta in Tel Aviv), Viviane Hagner has acquired a depth and maturity in her playing that is reflected in her serene stage presence and magnificent assurance.

Appearing with the world’s great orchestras, Viviane Hagner’s concerto appearances include the Berlin Philharmonic, Boston Symphony, Chicago Symphony, Cleveland Orchestra, Leipzig Gewandhaus, New York Philharmonic and the Philharmonia Orchestra, working with conductors such as Ashkenazy, Barenboim, Eschenbach and Salonen as well as Carnegie Hall appearance with the Orpheus Chamber Orchestra. This season she makes several visits to North America with appearances with the Sarasota and Oregon Symphony Orchestras and returns to the National Arts Centre Orchestra, Ottawa for performances of Mozart’s Sinfonia Concertante alongside Pichas Zukerman. In Europe she joins the BBC Philharmonic and the Polish National Radio Symphony Orchestra amongst others.

As well as bringing insight and virtuosity to the central concerto repertoire, Viviane Hagner is an ardent advocate of new, neglected and undiscovered music, championing composers such as Sofia Gubaidulina, Karl Amadeus Hartmann and Witold Lutoslawski. Dedicatée of Unsuk Chin’s Violin Concerto, she gave the world premiere in 2002 with the Deutsches Symphonie-Orchester and Kent Nagano, and has since given performances across Europe, the US and as far afield as Brazil. Last season she gave the Asian premiere of Anders Hillborg’s second violin concerto with the Seoul Philharmonic Orchestra.

A committed chamber musician, Hagner regularly appears in concert halls such as the Amsterdam Concertgebouw, Berlin Konzerthaus, London’s Wigmore Hall, the Palais des Beaux Arts Brussels and the Zurich Tonhalle. Performing at festivals across the world, past invitations include the Ravello Festival, Salzburg Easter Festival and the Lincoln Center’s Mostly Mozart Festival and this season she returns to Mecklenburg-Vorpommern and the Kamara.Hu festival in Budapest.

On disc, the Hyperion label issued Hagner’s performances of Vieuxtemps Violin Concerti 4 & 5, whilst the Canadian company Analekta released her recording of Unsuk Chin’s Violin Concerto with Kent Nagano and the Montreal Symphony Orchestra. Her performance of Christian Jost’s TiefenRausch conducted by the composer with the Essen Philharmonic was released by the Capriccio label to critical acclaim.

Viviane Hagner dedicates herself to outreach activities for audiences of all ages. She is a founder and Artistic Director of Krzyżowa-Music, an ambitious festival promoting the exchange of ideas and culture whilst allowing young and aspiring musicians the opportunity to live, rehearse and perform with internationally-acclaimed artists. Residing in Berlin where she grew up, she has been Professor at the Mannheim Conservatory of Music and Performing Arts since 2013.