The Concert of the Year 2016

The best concert in 2016 chosen by each orchestra [1/4/2016-31/3/2017]

Full Members

Sapporo Symphony Orchestra

The 594th Subscription Concert

Conducted by Radomil Eliška Smetana: "Wallenstein's Camp" Dvořák: Scherzo capriccioso Tchaikovsky: Symphony No. 5 14 & 15 October 2016 Sapporo Concert Hall; Kitara

Sendai Philharmonic Orchestra

The 300th Subscription Concert

Conducted by Pascal Verrot Berlioz: Symphonie fantastique Berlioz: "Lelio"(monodrama) 14b

15 & 16 April 2016 Hitachi Systems Hall Sendai

Concert Hall

Yamagata Symphony Orchestra

The 256th Subscription Concert

Conducted by Radek Baborak hrn: Radek Baborak Na'ama Tamir: "Spring Illusions" Mendelssohn: Lieder ohne Worte (arr.Paul Angerer) Beethoven: Symphony No.4 15 & 16 October 2016 Yamagata Terrsa Hall

Gunma Symphony Orchestra

The 523rd Subscription Concert

Conducted by Gaetano d'Espinosa pf: Michie Koyama Verdi: "Luisa Miller" Sinfonia Rachmaninov: "Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini" Shostakovich: Symphony No.5 26 November 2016 Gunma Music Center

NHK Symphony Orchestra, Tokyo

NHK Symphony Orchestra 90th Anniversary Special Concert Mahler "Symphonie der Tausend"

Conducted by Paavo Järvi S.: Erin Wall. Angela Meade. Claudia Boyle A.: Katarina Dalayman, Annely Peebo T.: Michael Schade, Br.: Michael Nagy Bs.: Ain Anger, bass Chorus: New National Theatre Chorus, Ritsuyukai Choir, NHK Tokyo Children Chorus Mahler: Symphony No.8 "Symphonie der Tausend" 8 September 2016 NHK Hall

New Japan Philharmonic

The 561st Subscription Concert "JADE" Suntory **Hall Series**

Conducted by Toshiyuki Kamioka vn: Munsu Choi (NJP Solo Concetmaster) * R.Strauss: "Also sprach Zarathustra" "Ein Heldenleben" 9 September 2016 Suntory Hall

Tokyo Symphony Orchestra

Tokyo Symphony Subscription Concert No.645

Conducted by Jonathan Nott vn: Isabelle Faust Beethoven: Violin Concerto Shostakovich: Symphony No.10 15 October 2016 Suntory Hall

Tokyo City Philharmonic Orchestra

The 300th Subscription Concert

Conducted by Ken Takaseki Satoshi Nishimura, Faust Akiya Fukushima, Méphistophélès Michiko Hayashi, Marguerite Tatsuhiko Kitagawa, Brander Chorus: TCPO Chor/ Chorusmaster: Takahiro Fujimaru, Children's chorus: KOTO Boys & Girls Chor, Berlioz: "La damnation de Faust", Légende dramatique 10 September 2016 Tokyo Opera City Concert Hall

Tokyo Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra

TMSO Special / Subscription Concert No.812 B Series

Conducted by Alan Gilbert Mozart: Symphony No.25 in G minor, K.183 (173dB) Mahler: Symphony No.5 24, 25 July 2016 Suntory Hall

Tokyo New City Orchestra

The 108th Subscription Concert

Conducted by Grzegorz Nowak pf: Krystian Zimerman Berlioz: Overture "Roman Carnival" Beethoven: Piano Concerto No.4 Musorgsky (arr.by Gorchakov): "Pictures at an Exhibition' 1 November 2016 Tokyo Opera City Concert Hall

Tokvo Philharmonic Orchestra

The 878th Orchard Hall Subscription Concert

Conducted by Mikhail Pletnev S.: Berit Solset, Solveig: Br.: Mitsuya Okubo, Peer Gynt Mz.: Akiko Tomioka, Anitra Chorus: New National Theatre Chorus/ Chorus Master: Tetsuva Kawahara Narrator: Kanji Ishimaru Grieg: Complete incidental music to "Peer Gynt" 24 April 2016 Bunkamura Orchard Hall

Japan Philharmonic Orchestra

Chief Conductor Pietari Inkinen Inauguration Concert

Conducted by Pietari INKINEN

S.: Lise Lindstrom T.: Simon O'neill

WAGNER: Excerpts from "Siegfried" WAGNER: Excerpts from "Götterdämmerung"

27 September 2016 Suntory Hall

Yomiuri Nippon Symphony Orchestra, Tokyo

The 566th Subscription Concert

Conducted by Sylvain Cambreling Messiaen: "Éclairs sur l'Au-Delà" 31 January 2017 Suntory Hall

Kanagawa Philharmonic Orchestra

Special Joint Concert Nagoya Philharmonic Orchestra and Kanagawa Philharmonic Orchestra

Conducted by Kentaro Kawase pf: Yoko Kikuchi

Mozart: Concerto for Piano and Orcehstra No.21 in C major k.467

Shostakovich: Symphony No.7

25 June 2016 Yokohama Minatomirai Hall

Orchestra Ensemble Kanazawa

Hirovuki Iwaki Memorial Concert

Conducted by Kazuki Yamada vn: Abigail Young (Violin) S.: Keiko Yoshihara / Br.: Kei Yonashiro Chorus: Tokyo Philharmonic Chorus Ligeti: "Lux Aeterna" Barber: Violin Concerto Faure: Requiem

10 September 2016 Ishikawa Ongakudo Concert Hall

Central Aichi Symphony Orchestra

The 150th Subscription Concert

Conducted by Leoš Svárovský S.: Eva Hornyakova / Mz.: Karla Bytnarova T.: Otokar Klein / Bs.: Jozef Benci Chorus: Nagoya University of the Arts Stabat Mater Dvořák: Stabat Mater

30 September 2016 Aichi Arts Center Concert Hall

Nagoya Philharmonic Orchestra

The 51st Famous Works Series

Conducted by Kentaro Kawase pf: Yoko Kikuchi orch: Kanagawa Philharmonic Orchestra Mozart: Piano Concerto No.21 in C major K.467 Shostakovich: Symphony No.7 "Leningrad" 27 June 2016 NTK Hall Forest Hall

Kyoto Symphony Orchestra

Miyakomesse (Exhibition Hall 3)

The 60th Anniversary Special Concert

Conducted by Junichi Hirokami, Ken Takaseki, Tatsuya Shimono, Mayumi Otani, Hiroyuki Mito Stockhausen: "Gruppen" for three orchestras (performed twice) Cage: Thirty pieces for five orchestras 23 December 2016 Kyoto International Exhibition Hall The 202nd Subscription Concert

Osaka Symphony Orchestra

Conducted by Yuzo Toyama Yuzo Toyama: "Gen-oh" for Orchestra -2014~2015-

Poulenc: "Les animaux modèles" Suite d'orchestre Beethoven: Symphonie Nr.3 "Eroica" 10 May 2016 The Symphony HALL

Osaka Philharmonic Orchestra

The 505th Subscription Concert, The 50th Subscription Concert in Tokyo

Conducted by Michiyoshi Inoue Schostakovich: Symphony No.11, No.12 17,18 December 2017 Festival Hall/ 22 December 2017 / Tokyo Metropolitan Theatre

Kansai Philharmonic Orchestra

The 273rd Subscription Concert

Conducted by Sachio Fujioka pf: Yukio Yokoyama Rachmaninov: "The Bells of Moscow" (Prelude C sharp minor Op.3-2 Orchestral Version) Piano Concerto No.3 Yugo Kanno: Symphony No.1 (The Border) (World Premiere) 29 April 2016 The Symphony Hall

Japan Century Symphony Orchestra

The 213rd Subscription Concert

Conducted by Norichika Iimori pf: Fazil Say Mozart: Overture to the Opera "Die Entführung aus dem Serail" (11/25) Lully: Ballet Music"Le Bourgeois Gentilhommex~ Marche pour la Ceremonie des Turcs" (11/26) Mozart: Concerto for Piano and Orchestra No.21 F.Say: Symphony No.1 "Istanbul Symphony" 25, 26 November 2016 The Symphony Hall

Hyogo Performing Arts center Orchestra

Special Concert "A Midsummer Night's Dream"

Conducted by Yutaka Sado Narration: Fumi Dan S.: Hiroko Kouda / Mz.: Michiko Hayashi va: Kei Tojo Hindemith: Kammermusik No.5 Mendelssohn: "A Midsummer Night's Dream-Incidental Music to Shakesperar's play' 8, 9 April/2016 Hyogo Performing Arts Center Grand

Hiroshima Symphony Orchestra

Hiroshima Symphony Orchestra The 368th Subscription Concert

Conducted by Kazuyoshi Akiyama cl: Daniel Ottensamer Mozart: Divertimento in D major K.136 Mozart: Clarinet Concerto in A major K.622 R. Strauss: "Ein Heldenleben" 18 March 2017 Hiroshima Bunka Gakuen HBG Hall

Kyusyu Symphony Orchestra

The 352nd Subscription Concert

Conducted by Kazuhiro Koizumi pf: Noriko Ogawa Shigenobu Nakamura: Symphony No.5 "The Sacred Departure"

Grieg: Piano Concerto

Nielsen: Symphony No.4 "The Inextinguishable" 19 September 2016 ACROS Fukuoka Symphony Hall

Associate Members

Chiba Symphony Orchestra

The 100th Subscription Concert

Conducted by Yamashita Kazufumi Mozart: Symphony No. 41 Yamamoto Junnosuke: "SEN NO NE TO GAKU NO HA" Stravinsky: Ballet Suite "Firebird" (1919 edition) 23 October 16 Chiba Prefectural Cultural Center hall

The Geidai Philharmonia Orchestra, Tokyo

Geidai The 377th Subscription Concert, Geidai Philharmonia Subscription Concert

Conducted by Ken Takaseki pf: Hiroshi Arimori Rachmaninov: Piano Concerto No.3 Stravinsky: "The Rite of Spring" (1947/67 revised version) 28 October 2016 Sogakudo Concert Hall

Tokyo Universal Philharmonic Orchestra

"Hatsuyume Concert" 2017

Conducted by Hakaru Matsuoka
Bandoneon: Satoru Kitamura/mar: Mizuno Yoshihisa
Ballet group: Toshiko Saiga ballet institute
Johann Strauss II: "Voices of Spring" Waltz
Tchaikovsky: "The Lake of Swans" highlight ~
Overture, Waltz, Scene, 4 swans, Chardash, Mazurka,
The final music

Piazzolla: "Libertango", milonga "La Morena", Gerardo Matos Rodríguez "La Cumparsita", Ernesto Lecuona "La Malagueña", Lorenzo Barcelata "Maria Elena ", Rafael Hernández "El Cumbanchero", others 8 January 2017 Ota Citizens Hall Aprico

Shizuoka Symphony Orchestra

The 474th Subscription Concert

Conducted by Yasuo Shinozaki Grieg: "Peer Gynt" Suite No.1 Piano Concerto Tchaikovsky: Symphony No.4 4 September 2016 Shizuoka City Shimizu Cultural Hall, Marinart

Chubu Philharmonic Orchestra

The 54th Subscription Concert

Conducted by Kazuyoshi Akiyama pf: Yukio Yokoyama Beethoven: Symphony No.2 Chopin: Piano concerto No.2

Stravinsky: "The Firebird Suite" (1919 Version)

Kyoto Philharmonic Chamber Orchestra

The 203rd Subscription Concert

Conducted by Ichiro Saito
S.: Morikawa Eiko
Hindemith: Kammermusik op24-1
Xenakis: ANAKTORIA
Tetsuji Emura: "Estuary" for chamber orchestra
Isang Yun: "Tapis" (version for string orchestra)
Mayako Kubo: "Sanriku-Lieder"
17 April 2016 Kyoto Concert Hall Small Hall

The College Operahouse Orchestra

The 28th The Concerto Concert

Conducted by Hidehiro Shindori vc: Hayato Minakawa/sax: Natsumi Iwasaki euph: Ryohei Hamada/ pf: Marina Fujiwara Haydn: Cello Concerto No. 2 Glazunov: Concerto for Alto Saxophone Horovitz: Euphonium Concerto Ravel: Piano Concerto in G major 17 November 2016 The College Operahouse

Telemann Chamber Orchestra

The 235th Subscription Concert

Conducted by Takeharu Nobuhara harpsichord: Taiji Takata / vn: Sakino Asai J.S.Bach: "Brandenburg Concertos" 6 October 2016 Osaka City Central Public Hall

Nara Philharmonic Orchestra

The 39th Subscription Concert

Conducted by Sou Awatsuji
ob: Yukari Maehashi / cl: Kayo Nishikawa
hrn: Yuu Sekomune / fg: Tomoko Konishi
Mozart: "The Marriage of Figaro" Overture
Sinfonia Concertantes K.297b
Beethoven: Symphony No.2
4 September 2016 Nara Prefectural Cultural Center
Kokusai Hall

Seto Philharmonic Orchestra

The 27th Subscription Concert

Conducted by NOORMAN WIDJAJA Wagner: "Tannhäuser" Overture Liszt: "Hungarian Rhapsody" No.2 Holst: "The Planets"

4 September 2016 Sunport hall TAKAMATSU

Okayama Philharmonic Orchestra

The 52nd Subscription Concert

Conducted by Hansjörg Schellenberger Beethoven: Symphony No.6 Symphony No.5 25 March 2017 Okayama Symphony Hall