**Paavo Järvi**

Estonian Grammy Award winner Paavo Järvi is considered one of the most important conductors of our time and works closely with the world's best orchestras. He is Music Director of the Tonhalle-Orchester Zürich, Artistic Director of Deutsche Kammerphilharmonie Bremen since 2004 and Founder and Artistic Director of the Estonian Festival Orchestra. With the start of the 2022/23 season, he will also be Honorary Conductor of the NHK Symphony Orchestra.

In his fourth season with the Tonhalle-Orchester Zürich, he continues the Bruckner cycle and completes the Mendelssohn cycle, combined with CD recordings. In addition, he will record performances of Beethoven's «Fidelio» in a semi-staged production, as well as a new release (September 2022) of orchestral works by John Adams to mark the composer's 75th birthday.

He concludes each season with a week of concerts and masterclasses at the Pärnu Music Festival in Estonia, which he founded with his father Neeme Järvi in 2011. The success of the festival and the the Estonian Festival Orchestra has led to a number of high-profile invitations, such as recently to the Berlin Philharmonie, the Vienna Konzerthaus, the BBC Proms and the Hamburg Elbphilharmonie. In addition, Paavo Järvi is a much sought-after guest conductor and continues to maintain close relationships with his former orchestras worldwide.

A dedicated promoter of Estonian culture, he was awarded the Order of the White Star (Estonian: Valgetähe teenetemärk) by the President of Estonia in 2013. Further awards: Grammy Award for Sibelius Cantatas 2003, «Artist of the Year» Gramophone (GB) and Diapason (F) 2015, Sibelius Medal 2015, Opus Klassik «Conductor of the Year» 2019, Rheingau Music Prize 2019, Europäischer Kulturpreis 2022.

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