

SALZBURG Choral Festival

Jubilate Mozart!

June 26 - 30, 2019

Stan Engebretson



In Washington, DC since 1990, Dr. Stan Engebretson is Professor of Music and Director of Choral Studies at George Mason University. He also is the Artistic Director of the National Philharmonic Chorale and is the Director of Music at the historic New York Avenue Presbyterian Church that is famous for its connection to Abraham Lincoln and its championing of American music. He leads major performances at Mason and conducts masterworks ranging in size from Handel's Messiah to Berlioz' Requiem with the National Philharmonic at The Music Center at Strathmore. He has appeared on concert stages throughout the United States and in Europe, Asia, and Australia and has studied with the great masters of choral music, including Robert Shaw, Gregg Smith, Richard Westenburg, Roger Wagner and Eric Ericson, Conductor Emeritus of the world-renowned Swedish Radio Choir in Stockholm, Sweden.

Hailing from the upper Midwest, Engebretson grew up in a musical environment singing in the Scandinavian choral tradition. His love of Celtic traditions began here from his Icelandic heritage with its strong connection to Irish music. He earned Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Piano and Voice from the University of North Dakota, and has a Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Conducting from Stanford University. Before moving East, he taught in the University of Texas system and at the University of Minnesota. In addition, he served as the Artistic Director of the Midland-Odessa Symphony Chorale and was the Associate Conductor of the Minnesota Chorale.

In 2009 he served as a Fulbright Scholar to Iceland and since 1992, he has lectured for the Smithsonian Institution at the Bach Festival in Carmel, CA; the Aspen Music Festival in Aspen, CO; and the Spoleto-USA Festival in Charleston, SC. Abroad in recent seasons he performed in festivals presented by the Europa Cantat and AMJ (Arbeitskreis Musik in der Jugend), plus other concerts, masterclasses, and workshops in Germany, Spain, France, Italy, Russia, Lithuania, Iceland, Switzerland, China, Korea, and Australia.



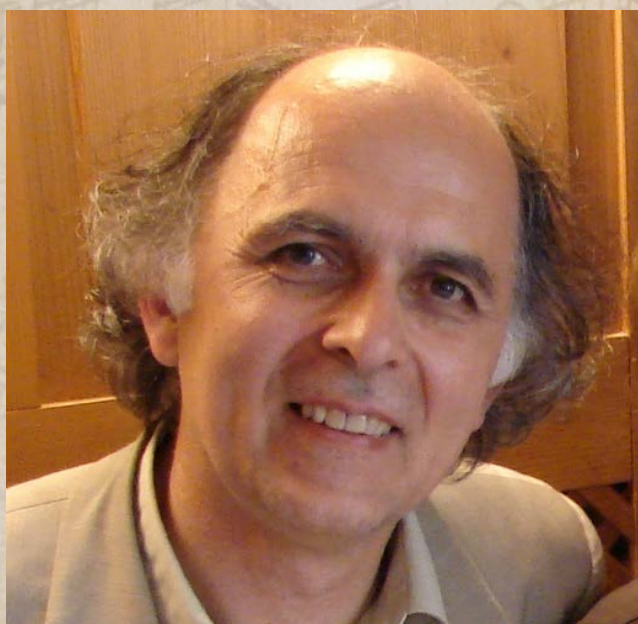
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János Czifra



Born in Hungary, János Czifra has been the director of music of the Salzburg Dom since 1989. Apart from his liturgical services, Czifra has arranged the music for the choir and the orchestra of the cathedral for internationally recognized big events such as the visit of the Pope to Salzburg, Episcopal consecration and jubilees, and festivals of sacred music and symposiums.

Numerous concert tours led János Czifra and the Cathedral Choir to the USA, to Japan and to various European cities. Due to his international reputation, Czifra has repeatedly been invited as conductor or juror in Europe and overseas. In 2002 Janos Czifra was admitted into the European Academy of Science and Arts and thus given the title "Professor." He very much values and enjoys the opportunities to work together with the many musical guests to Salzburg and the cathedral.

