Orkester Norden Lahti, Finland 2019-2024

Orkester Norden

Orkester Norden is a Symphony Orchestra for young musicians at the age of 15 to 26. Orchestra gets together yearly in July and August to practise and perfrorm.

Orkester Norden is the result of a unique Nordic collaborative effort within our shared Nordic culture. The orchestra helps educate future professional orchestra musicians and competently carries our Nordic heritage into the future.

It's is a platform for young musicians from the Nordic and Baltic regions to meet, develop and create music together – with input from the most renowned musicians and composers who would like to share their experience and knowledge.





- 1st violin, Adam Grüchot, Kristiansand Symphony Orchestra
- 2nd violin, Arne Jørgen Øian, Oslo Philharmonic Orchestra
- Viola, Mina Fred, Athelas Sinfonietta
- Cello, Ilkka Uurtimo, Lahti Symphony Orchestra
- Double bass, Michael Karlsson, The Royal Swedish Opera
- Woodwinds, Viktor Wennesz, Danish Royal Life Guard Orchestra
- Brass, Ingemar Roos, Norwegian Academy of Music
- Percussion, Heikki Parviainen, The Finnish National Opera

Instructors 2022

Year 2021

- In 2021 Orkester Norden rehearsals and tour was unfortunately cancelled due to COVID19 pandemic.
- Despite the cancellation some new activities were created.
- New audition coatching was organized online for every young musician who applied to the orhestra.
- LUT univercity in Lahti made a CO2 mission study on Orkester Norden. Results of the research are used in future years to cut down CO2 missons.
- First ever online event was organized in October including performances, greetings from instuctors, conductor and musicians and lectures for young musicians to follow.



Year 2022

- Conductor Eivind Gullberg Jensen (Norwegian)
- Application time 2.12.2021–25.2.2022
- 73 young musicians are selected to the orhestra in March
- Rehearsal and concert period 16.7-30.7.2022 in Lahti, Finland
- Concert tour dates are to be confirmed.

Sibelius Hall, Lahti, Finland Järvenpää-talo, Järvenpää, Finland Tour in Sweden

Orkester Norden now

- Application period is closing 25.2. Normally we receive approx. 200 application. Currently we have 60 names on our list, and the word needs to be spread out! There is still time to apply
- More information on the application process you can be found here: <u>www.orkesternorden.com/how-to-apply/</u>
- Paperwork for the annual funding by the Nordic Council of Ministers is being drafted. Year 2022 the support will be 114.000€ which is less than in the previous years. We have sent some additional grant applications to be able to organize a tour! Pandemic has put the cultural sector in a very difficult position with funding. Ideas for Nordic funding are much appreciated!
- In 2023 we are celebrating 30th anniversary. Funding from the Nordic Council of Ministers is unsecure. Lobbying is being made in order to maintain the basic funding of 127.000 € from the Nordic Council of Ministers and other funds and foundations.



- COVID19 is still affecting our planning. We truly hope to have a normal summer 2022.
- Concert tour plans are relying on Lions cooperations. We are currently discussing to organize few concerts in Sweden and we are happy about this opportunity.
- Local Lions co-operation in Lahti helps with concert ticket sale, evening activities during rehearsal period for musicians and searching local sponsor to support the orchestra.
- Nordic Lions can help in advertising the application period and summer tour to wider audiences in Nordic countries.
- During the concert tour, advertising concerts, hosting the orchestra in concert sites and making young musicians feel themselves welcome is made by lions in coordination of the country coordinator.
- Providing travel grants for the musicians is very important form of support to the orchestra.
- In order to plan an easy transfer to Iceland 2024-2025 we are inviting Icelandic host organization members from to visit Lahti during the summer camp in 2022.
- We are looking forward to summer 2022!







Orkester Norden

 Orkester Norden is managed by a passionate team who's members are dedicated to strengthen and develop the best youth symphony orchestra in the Nordic and Baltic regions.

