

# MENUHIN

## FESTIVAL GSTAAD

# Family Matters

16 July – 5 September 2026

Tickets for the  
Gstaad Festival  
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go on sale on  
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# Welcome to the family!



The summer of 2026 marks a new era and homecoming for the Menuhin Festival Gstaad. For nearly seven decades, this beloved place has been more than a Festival – it has been a family.

Under the theme “Family Matters”, we celebrate the many forms of family – those we are born into and those we find through music. Family means trust, continuity, and belonging – values that Yehudi Menuhin embodied like few others.

These values live on in Gstaad: in encounters across generations, in friendships formed on and off stage, and in the sharing of knowledge and inspiration. Our 2026 programme celebrates the many ways we connect with one another.

*“In the mountains of Gstaad, I realised that music springs from the same source as nature – from the very breath of the world.”*

Yehudi Menuhin  
on the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Festival

The season opens with two living legends:

Zubin Mehta, conducting in celebration of his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, and Pinchas Zukerman, a dear friend and long-time musical partner. Another highlight is our collaboration with Jaap van Zweden and the Gstaad Festival Orchestra, culminating in a major European tour in 2026. We also welcome the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra under Vasily Petrenko, the Budapest Festival Orchestra, the Royal Danish Orchestra, and the Zürcher Kammerorchester.

Among the outstanding artists joining us this summer are Daniil Trifonov, Sir András Schiff, Iván Fischer, Khatia Buniashvili, Thomas Hampson, Gabriela Montero, Nikolaj Szeps-Znaider, Steven Isserlis, Regula Mühlemann, Bomsori Kim, Isata Kanneh-Mason, Marie Jacquot, and many others.

Opera lovers can look forward to Puccini’s *La bohème* with Benjamin Bernheim and Marco Armiliato – a new production premiering here in Gstaad.

“Family Matters” is more than a theme – it is a philosophy. In a rapidly changing world, we aim to show that music can unite us, offer hope, and create a shared sense of belonging beyond all boundaries.

I warmly invite you to join us this summer – to celebrate music, friendship, and new beginnings.

A handwritten signature of Daniel Hope's name in black ink.

DANIEL HOPE

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR, MENUHIN FESTIVAL GSTAAD

# Menuhin Festival Academy

The academies form the vibrant heart of the Menuhin Festival Gstaad's commitment to nurturing the next generation. Outstanding young talents connect with world-renowned artists, working together in masterclasses, workshops, and shared performances to learn, grow, and forge lasting artistic bonds.

## STRING ACADEMY

Monday, 20 July – Tuesday, 28 July 2026  
Hotel Landhaus Saanen, John F. Kennedy School  
Saanen

Public master class with **Daniel Hope** (artistic direction), **Daniel Geiss** (academy direction), the visiting teachers **Tanja Sonc** and **Adrien La Marca**, as well as the visiting professors **Pinchas Zukerman**, **Josephine Knight**, **Amanda Forsyth** and **Antonio Mosca**

String Academy live concerts will take place on **Thursday, 23 July, Saturday, 25 July, and Tuesday, 28 July**.

## CONDUCTING ACADEMY

Tuesday, 28 July – Saturday, 15 August 2026  
Gstaad Festival Tent, Zwingli Church Biel/Bienne  
Public master class with **Jaap van Zweden** and **Johannes Schlaefli**, as well as the **Gstaad Festival Orchestra**

Conducting Academy live concerts will take place on **Saturday, 1 August, Thursday, 6 August, and Thursday, 13 August**.

## PIANO ACADEMY

Saturday, 1 August – Tuesday, 4 August 2026  
Kirchgemeindehaus Gstaad

Public master class with **Sir András Schiff**

## VOCAL ACADEMY

Saturday, 22 August – Wednesday, 26 August 2026  
Kirchgemeindehaus Gstaad

Public master class with **Thomas Hampson**

Vocal Academy live concerts will take place on **Sunday, 23 August**, and on **Wednesday, 26 August**.

## AMATEUR ORCHESTRA

Monday, 27 July – Sunday, 2 August 2026  
Gstaad

A dedicated orchestral week for passionate adult amateur musicians, led this year by **Holly Hyun Choe** (participant of the 2017 and 2018 Conducting Academy).

The Amateur Orchestra's final concert will take place on **Sunday, 2 August**.

## YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Monday, 3 August – Sunday, 9 August 2026  
Gstaad/Zweisimmen

A youth orchestra week for dedicated young talents, led by **Daniel Geiss**

The final concert will take place on **Sunday, 9 August**.



# Gstaad Festival Orchestra

## La bohème

Benjamin Bernheim, Tenor (Rodolfo)

Carolina López Moreno, Soprano (Mimi)

Lodovico Filippo Ravizza, Baritone (Marcello)

Biagio Pizzuti, Baritone (Schaunard)

Gianluca Buratto, Bass (Colline)

Sandra Hamaoui, Soprano (Musetta)

Chor der Bühnen Bern

Gstaad Festival Orchestra

Marco Armiliato, Conductor

Puccini: "La bohème", opera in 4 acts – *in a concert version*

**23.8.2026 | FESTSPIELHAUS  
BADEN-BADEN (DE)**

## Gstaad Festival Orchestra | van Zweden & Hope

Daniel Hope, Violin

Gstaad Festival Orchestra

Jaap van Zweden, Conductor

Chief Conductor of the Gstaad  
Festival Orchestra

Elgar: Violin Concerto; Beethoven:  
Symphony No. 5

**28.9.2026 | DR KONCERTHUSET  
COPENHAGEN (DK)**

**29.9.2026 | ALTE OPER  
FRANKFURT (DE)**

**30.9.2026 | ELBPHILHARMONIE  
HAMBURG (DE)**

**1.10.2026 | HANNOVER CONGRESS  
CENTRUM (DE)**

**2.10.2026 | PHILHARMONIE  
KÖLN (DE)**

**3.10.2026 | TONHALLE  
DÜSSELDORF (DE)**

## JAAP VAN ZWEDEN CHIEF CONDUCTOR

Since 2010, the Gstaad Festival Orchestra has been at the heart of the Festival. Since 2014, it has also been an essential partner of the Conducting Academy. Guided by Jaap van Zweden, whose deep and almost familial bond with the musicians has grown over many years, the orchestra benefits from his immense international experience – as Music Director of the Seoul Philharmonic and, from September 2026, of the Orchestre Philharmonique de Radio France. Together, they are expanding the orchestra's global presence and strengthening its role as a charismatic ambassador for the Festival's spirit.

Following a triumphant Asian tour in autumn 2025 – directed from the violin by Daniel Hope himself – the orchestra will once again embark on a new tour in 2026. First up: a new production of Puccini's *La bohème*, conducted by Marco Armiliato and starring Benjamin Bernheim, the radiant centrepiece of the Festival's traditional Baden-Baden appearance. Then, in early autumn 2026, a major European tour led by Jaap van Zweden will showcase musical landmarks such as Beethoven's *Fifth Symphony* and Elgar's *Violin Concerto*, with Daniel Hope as soloist.

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**TOUR  
2026**



# Thank you very much!

We extend our sincere thanks to all sponsors, patrons of art, foundations, media partners, and Festival Friends who share our vision and support the Festival with their commitment. Every contribution enriches the artistic quality of our programme, nurtures young talent, and enables the development of new formats. Together, we create unforgettable musical experiences!

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**THURSDAY, 16.07.2026**

*Celebration |*  
**70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert |**  
**Mehta & Zukerman**

Pinchas Zukerman, Violin & Viola

Daniel Hope, Violin

Amanda Forsyth, Cello

Zürcher Kammerorchester

Zubin Mehta, Conductor

Mozart: Violin Concerto No. 3, Sinfonia concertante for Violin and Viola; Haydn: Symphony No. 104 "London"; Offenbach: "Les Larmes de Jacqueline" for Cello and Orchestra

**ORCHESTRA** **FAMILY MATTERS**  
**LIVING LEGENDS**

7.30 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 170/145/95/40



| Pinchas Zukerman

**FRIDAY, 17.07.2026**

*Celebration |*  
**Mehta & Zukerman**

Pinchas Zukerman, Violin & Viola

Daniel Hope, Violin

Amanda Forsyth, Cello

Zürcher Kammerorchester

Zubin Mehta, Conductor

Mozart: Violin Concerto No. 3, Sinfonia concertante for Violin and Viola; Haydn: Symphony No. 104 "London"; Offenbach: "Les Larmes de Jacqueline" for Cello and Orchestra

**ORCHESTRAL** **FAMILY MATTERS**  
**LIVING LEGENDS**

7.30 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 170/145/95/40

**SATURDAY, 18.07.2026**

**Lora Markova**

Lora Markova, Violin

Alexandra Stychnina, Piano

Music by Prokofiev, Szymanowski and

Ysaÿe/Saint-Saëns

**RECITAL** **NEXT GENERATION**

10.30 am | Gstaad Chapel | CHF 30

**SATURDAY, 18.07.2026**

**Zürcher Kammerorchester &**  
**Regula Mühlemann**

Regula Mühlemann, Soprano

Zürcher Kammerorchester

Mozart: Symphony No. 51, concert & opera arias  
Haydn: Symphony No. 49 "La passione"

**ORCHESTRA** **LADIES FIRST**

7.30 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 170/145/95/40

**SUNDAY, 19.07.2026**

*Fiddlefest with Daniel Hope*

Daniel Hope, Violin & Presentation

Ragnhild Hemsing, Violin; Tanja Sonc, Violin

Helen Maier, Violin; Sandro Roy, Violin

Antonis Sousamoglou, Violin & Arrangements

Joscho Stephan, Guitar; Stéphane Logerot, Double Bass; Julia Okruashvili, Piano

**CHAMBER MUSIC** **MENUHIN'S LEGACY**

6 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 130/110/70/40

**TUESDAY, 21.07.2026**

**Maxim Lando**

Maxim Lando, Piano

Music by Bach/Brahms, Schumann and Liebermann

**RECITAL** **NEXT GENERATION**

7.30 pm | Zweisimmen Church | CHF 85/60/40

**WEDNESDAY, 22.07.2026**

*Sonc, La Marca, Knight & Crawford-Phillips*

Tanja Sonc, Violin; Adrien La Marca, Viola

Josephine Knight, Cello

Simon Crawford-Phillips, Piano

Music by Mozart, Clara & Robert Schumann and Dvořák

**CHAMBER MUSIC** **FAMILY MATTERS**

7.30 pm | Zweisimmen Church | CHF 130/110/70

**THURSDAY, 23.07.2026**

*String Academy | Concert I*

Participants of the String Academy

**CHAMBER MUSIC** **ACADEMY LIVE**

**MUSIC FOR GSTAAD**

5.30 pm | Hotel Landhaus Saanen | Booking is mandatory – Free admission with a collection

**FRIDAY, 24.07.2026**

## Carte blanche à Pinchas Zukerman

Pinchas Zukerman, Violin  
Adrien La Marca, Viola  
Amanda Forsyth, Cello  
Simon Crawford-Phillips, Piano  
Music by Mendelssohn and Brahms

**CHAMBER MUSIC** **LIVING LEGENDS**

7.30 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 170/145/95/40

**SATURDAY, 25.07.2026**

## Ron Maxim Huang

**Ron Maxim Huang, Piano**

Music by Chopin, Brahms, Liszt, Schechtmann and Kapustin

**RECITAL** **NEXT GENERATION**

10.30 am | Gstaad Chapel | CHF 30

## String Academy | Concert II

Daniel Hope, Violin; Tanja Sonc, Violin  
Adrien La Marca, Viola; Josephine Knight, Cello  
Participants of the String Academy

**CHAMBER MUSIC** **ACADEMY LIVE**

3 pm | Chalet Balthus, Rossinière | CHF 50

## Brahms & Schubert | Zukerman & Hope

Pinchas Zukerman, Violin  
Daniel Hope, Violin  
Ryszard Groblewski, Viola  
Amanda Forsyth, Cello  
Josephine Knight, Cello  
Simon Crawford-Phillips, Piano  
Brahms: Piano Quartet No. 3  
Schubert: String Quintet

**CHAMBER MUSIC** **FAMILY MATTERS**

7.30 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 170/145/95/40

**SUNDAY, 26.07.2026**

## Masters of Sound – a charity concert hosted by David Garrett & The Del Gesù Club

David Garrett, Violin & Presentation  
and other musicians

**CHAMBER MUSIC** **MENUHIN'S LEGACY**

6 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 170/145/95/40  
Proceeds from ticket sales support the Menuhin  
Festival String Academy.

**TUESDAY, 28.07.2026**

## String Academy | Concert III

**CHAMBER MUSIC** **ACADEMY LIVE**  
**MUSIC FOR GSTAAD**

5.30 pm | Hotel Landhaus Saanen | Booking  
is mandatory – Free admission with a collection

**WEDNESDAY, 29.07.2026**

## Gabriela Montero

**Gabriela Montero, Piano**

«Freestyle» – Improvisations and other works by  
Albéniz, Granados and Liszt

**RECITAL** **LADIES FIRST**

7.30 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 130/110/70/40



| Gabriela Montero

**THURSDAY, 30.07.2026**

## The Broman Family

Malin Broman, Violin; Maya Broman, Violin  
Fabian Broman, Cello  
Simon Crawford-Phillips, Piano  
Music by Bridge, Clara Schumann, Halvorsen/  
Handel, Britta Byström and Robert Schumann

**CHAMBER MUSIC** **FAMILY MATTERS**

7.30 pm | Rougemont Church | CHF 85/60/40

**FRIDAY, 31.07.2026**

## Sir András

Sir András Schiff, Piano

**RECITAL** **LIVING LEGENDS**

7.30 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 170/145/95/40

**SATURDAY, 01.08.2026**

## Conducting Academy | Concert I

Sinfonieorchester Biel Solothurn

**ORCHESTRA** **ACADEMY LIVE**

18.00 Uhr | Zwingli Church Biel/Bienne

SUNDAY, 02.08.2026

## Mountain Spirit | Eggli Flying Lunch | Guttman Tango Quintet

Guttman Tango Quintet

**CHAMBER MUSIC** **HOPE'S CHOICE**

11.00 am | Eggli Lounge | CHF 150  
including tickets for uphill and downhill ride,  
concert and flying-lunch

## Menuhin Festival Amateur Orchestra

Dmitry Ishkhanov, Piano; Menuhin Festival  
Amateur Orchestra; Holly Hyun Choe, Conductor

Rachmaninov: Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini  
for Piano and Orchestra

Prokofiev: "Romeo and Juliet" (highlights)

**MENUHIN'S LEGACY** **MUSIC FOR GSTAAD**

11.30 am | Gstaad Festival Tent | Booking  
is mandatory – Free admission with a collection

## Sonic Experience | LGT Young Soloists

Alexander Gilman, Violin  
LGT Young Soloists

Light & Sound: an immersive concert format with  
projections, light art, and music by Vivaldi, Piazzolla  
and Portman

**ORCHESTRA** **NEXT GENERATION**

6 pm | Gstaad Festival Tent | CHF 130/110/90/50

MONDAY, 03.08.2026

## Two Pianos | Bax & Chung

Alessio Bax, Piano; Lucille Chung, Piano

Music for 2 pianos and piano 4 hands by Busoni,  
Poulenc, Debussy, Ravel and Piazzolla

**CHAMBER MUSIC** **FAMILY MATTERS**

7.30 pm | Zweisimmen Church | CHF 130/110/70

WEDNESDAY, 05.08.2026

## Mountain Spirit | Pacific Wind Quintet

Pacific Wind Quintet

Music by Verdi, Doderer, Mozart and Blumer

**CHAMBER MUSIC** **NEXT GENERATION**

7.30 pm | Berghaus Eggli, covered terrace  
CHF 95/70 including tickets for uphill and downhill  
ride | Optional culinary package add-on: CHF 65

THURSDAY, 06.08.2026

## Conducting Academy | Concert II

Gstaad Festival Orchestra

Participants of the Conducting Academy

**ORCHESTRA** **ACADEMY LIVE**

**MUSIC FOR GSTAAD**

5.30 pm | Gstaad Festival Tent | Booking  
is mandatory – Free admission with a collection

## Mountain Spirit | Swing & Electro | David Hermlin Trio

David Hermlin Trio

*in collaboration with PLAUSCH Events*

**CHAMBER MUSIC** **HOPE'S CHOICE**

7.30 pm | Berghaus Eggli, covered terrace  
CHF 95/70 including tickets for uphill and downhill  
ride | Optional culinary package add-on: CHF 65  
Electronic Music Ticket: CHF 25 including tickets  
for uphill and downhill ride

FRIDAY, 07.08.2026

## Steven Isserlis & Camerata Bern

Steven Isserlis, Cello  
Camerata Bern

Music by Beethoven, Boccherini, C. P. E. Bach,  
Saint-Saëns and Mendelssohn

**ORCHESTRA** **LIVING LEGENDS**

7.30 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 170/145/95/40



| Steven Isserlis

SATURDAY, 08.08.2026

## Julian Kainrath

Julian Kainrath, Violin

Anton Gerzenberg, Piano

Music by Grieg and Franck

**RECITAL** **NEXT GENERATION**

10.30 am | Gstaad Chapel | CHF 30

**SATURDAY, 08.08.2026**

## Gstaad Festival Orchestra | Bomsori, Zhao & van Zweden

Bomsori Kim, Violin; Jing Zhao, Cello

Gstaad Festival Orchestra

Jaap van Zweden, Conductor

Chief Conductor of the Gstaad Festival Orchestra

Haydn: Cello Concerto No. 1

Mozart: Symphony No. 40, Violin Concerto No. 5

**ORCHESTRA | LADIES FIRST**

7.30 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 130/110/70/40



| Bomsori Kim

**SUNDAY, 09.08.2026**

## Menuhin Festival Youth Orchestra

**Soloists of the Menuhin Festival Youth Orchestra**

Menuhin Festival Youth Orchestra

Daniel Geiss, Conductor

Tchaikovsky: "Romeo and Juliet"; Vivaldi: Concerto for 4 Violins; Stravinsky: "The Firebird"

**MENUHIN'S LEGACY | MUSIC FOR GSTAAD**

11.30 am | Gstaad Festival Tent | Booking  
is mandatory – Free admission with a collection

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## Duo Runge & Ammon

Eckart Runge, Cello

Jacques Ammon, Piano

*Generations*

Music by Mozart, Beethoven, Gardel, Piazzolla,  
Weill, Ravel, Gershwin, Kapustin, Debussy, Piaf,  
Tailleferre and Morricone

**CHAMBER MUSIC | HOPE'S CHOICE**

4 pm | Zweisimmen Church | CHF 130/110/70

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## Mountain Spirit | Joscho Stephan Trio

Joscho Stephan, Guitar & Presentation; Sven  
Jungbeck, Guitar; Volker Kamp, Double Bass

**CHAMBER MUSIC | HOPE'S CHOICE**

7.30 pm | Berghaus Eggi, covered terrace  
CHF 95/70 including tickets for uphill and downhill  
ride | Optional culinary package add-on: CHF 65

**MONDAY, 10.08.2026**

## Hayato Sumino

Hayato Sumino, Piano

Surprise programme

**RECITAL | NEXT GENERATION**

7.30 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 130/110/70/40

**WEDNESDAY, 12.08.2026**

## Brodsky Quartet, Dimitri Ashkenazy & Jeremy Muhin

Jeremy Muhin, Piano

Dimitri Ashkenazy, Clarinet; Brodsky Quartet

Music by Mozart, Debussy, Shostakovich and  
Jeremy Muhin

**CHAMBER MUSIC | MENUHIN'S LEGACY**

7.30 pm | Lauenen Church | CHF 85/60/40

**THURSDAY, 13.08.2026**

## Conducting Academy | Concert III | Menuhin Conducting Prize

Gstaad Festival Orchestra

Participants of the Conducting Academy

Music by Beethoven (among others)

Award Ceremony of the Menuhin Conducting Prize  
2026

**ORCHESTRA | ACADEMY LIVE**

**MUSIC FOR GSTAAD**

5.30 pm | Gstaad Festival Tent | Booking  
is mandatory – Free admission with a collection

**FRIDAY, 14.08.2026**

## Winterreise Reloaded | Daniel Behle & Oliver Schnyder Trio

Daniel Behle, Baritone; Andreas Janke, Violin

Benjamin Nyffenegger, Cello

Oliver Schnyder, Piano

Schubert: "Die Winterreise" (version with  
accompaniment by piano trio)

**CHAMBER MUSIC | HOPE'S CHOICE**

7.30 pm | Zweisimmen Church | CHF 130/110/70

**SATURDAY, 15.08.2026**

## Raphael Nussbaumer

Raphael Nussbaumer, Violin

Kateryna Tereshchenko, Piano

**RECITAL | NEXT GENERATION**

10.30 am | Gstaad Chapel | CHF 30



**SATURDAY, 15.08.2026**

## Celebration | Gstaad Festival Orchestra | van Zweden & Hope

Daniel Hope, Violin

Gstaad Festival Orchestra

Jaap van Zweden, Conductor

Chief Conductor of the Gstaad Festival Orchestra

Elgar: Violin Concerto; Beethoven: Symphony No. 5

**ORCHESTRA** **MENUHIN'S LEGACY** 

7.30 pm | Gstaad Festival Tent

CHF 170/145/100/70

**SUNDAY, 16.08.2026**

## Budapest Festival Orchestra & Iván Fischer | Beethoven Friendship Award

Isata Kanneh-Mason, Piano

Budapest Festival Orchestra

Iván Fischer, Conductor

Rachmaninov: "Vocalise" (version for orchestra),  
Piano Concerto No. 3

Mahler: Symphony No. 1 "Titan"

**ORCHESTRA** **LIVING LEGENDS** 

6 pm | Gstaad Festival Tent

CHF 170/145/100/70

**MONDAY, 17.08.2026**

## Budapest Festival Chamber Soloists & Iván Fischer

Budapest Festival Chamber Soloists

Iván Fischer, Direction

Bartók: Divertimento for String Orchestra

Fischer: "Eine deutsch-jiddische Kantate"

Mendelssohn: String Octet

**ORCHESTRA** **HOPE'S CHOICE**

7.30 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 170/145/95/40

**WEDNESDAY, 19.08.2026**

## American Songbook | Thomas Hampson

Thomas Hampson, Baritone

Wolfram Rieger, Piano

Songs by Cole Porter, George Gershwin, Aaron Copland, Florence Price and Duke Ellington

**RECITAL** **LIVING LEGENDS**

7.30 pm | Zweisimmen Church | CHF 130/110/70

**THURSDAY, 20.08.2026**

## Marie Sophie Hauzel

Marie Sophie Hauzel, Piano

Music by Liszt, Bartók, Liszt/Wagner and Ginastera

**RECITAL** **NEXT GENERATION**

7.30 pm | Gsteig Church | CHF 85/60/40

**FRIDAY, 21.08.2026**

## La bohème

Benjamin Bernheim, Tenor (Rodolfo); Carolina López Moreno, Soprano (Mimi); Lodovico Filippo Ravizza, Baritone (Marcello); Biagio Pizzuti, Baritone (Schaunard); Gianluca Buratto, Bass (Colline); Sandra Hamaoui, Soprano (Musetta)  
Chor der Bühnen Bern; Gstaad Festival Orchestra  
Marco Armiliato, Conductor

Puccini: "La bohème", opera in 4 acts –  
in a concert version

**OPERA** **FAMILY MATTERS** 

7.30 pm | Gstaad Festival Tent

CHF 235/170/145/100/70



| Carolina López Moreno

**SATURDAY, 22.08.2026**

## Ilva Eigus

Ilva Eigus, Violin

Richard Octaviano Kogima, Piano

**RECITAL** **NEXT GENERATION**

10.30 am | Gstaad Chapel | CHF 30

## Royal Danish Orchestra |

Nikolaj Szeps-Znaider &

Marie Jacquot

Nikolaj Szeps-Znaider, Violin

Royal Danish Orchestra; Marie Jacquot, Conductor

Abrahamsen: Three Pieces for Orchestra

Brahms: Violin Concerto

Prokofiev: "Romeo and Juliet" (highlights)

**ORCHESTRA** **LADIES FIRST** 

7.30 pm | Gstaad Festival Tent

CHF 170/145/100/70

SUNDAY, 23.08.2026

## Opera for Children | Coppélia

Children from the Saanenland

Roumen Kroumov, Arrangement & Direction

Ensemble of the Gstaad Festival Orchestra

Margrith Gimbel-Dauwalder, Staging

Delibes: "Coppélia", an adaption of the ballet's most beautiful themes with spoken parts

**DISCOVERY** **NEXT GENERATION**

11 am | Gstaad Festival Tent

CHF 40 (adults)/15 (children)

## Vocal Academy | Concert I

Participants of the Vocal Academy

**RECITAL** **ACADEMY LIVE**

**MUSIC FOR GSTAAD**

11.30 am | Kirchgemeindehaus Gstaad | Booking is mandatory – Free admission with a collection

## Khatia Buniatishvili

Khatia Buniatishvili, Piano

**RECITAL** **LADIES FIRST** 

6 pm | Gstaad Festival Tent | CHF 170/145/100/70

MONDAY, 24.08.2026

## Daniil Trifonov & Sergei Dogadin

Sergei Dogadin, Violin

Daniil Trifonov, Piano

Prokofiev: Violin Sonata Nr. 1

Shostakovich: 24 Preludes, Op. 34

**CHAMBER MUSIC** **HOPE'S CHOICE**

7.30 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 170/145/95/40

TUESDAY, 25.08.2026

## From Nocturnal Dreams to City Lights | Sebastian Knauer

Sebastian Knauer, Piano

Music by Mozart, Schubert, Beethoven, Satie and Gershwin

**RECITAL** **HOPE'S CHOICE**

7.30 pm | Lauenen Church | CHF 85/60/40

WEDNESDAY, 26.08.2026

## Vocal Academy | Concert II

Thomas Hampson, Baritone & Direction

Participants of the Vocal Academy

**RECITAL** **ACADEMY LIVE**

**MUSIC FOR GSTAAD**

7.30 pm | Kirchgemeindehaus Gstaad | Booking is mandatory – Free admission with a collection

THURSDAY, 27.08.2026

## Leонкоро Quartet

Jonathan Schwarz, Violin; Amelie Wallner, Violin

Mayu Konoe, Viola; Lukas Schwarz, Cello

Purcell: Fantasias for 4 Viols

Mendelssohn: String Quartet No. 6

Beethoven: String Quartet No. 14

**CHAMBER MUSIC** **NEXT GENERATION**

7.30 pm | Rougemont Church | CHF 85/60/40

FRIDAY, 28.08.2026

## Royal Philharmonic Orchestra | Vasily Petrenko & Thomas Hampson

Thomas Hampson, Baritone

Royal Philharmonic Orchestra

Vasily Petrenko, Conductor

Mahler: "Rückert-Lieder", Symphony No. 5

**ORCHESTRA** **LIVING LEGENDS** 

7.30 pm | Gstaad Festival Tent

CHF 170/145/100/70



Thomas Hampson

SATURDAY, 29.08.2026

## Sira Pellicer & Dmitry Batalov

Sira Pellicer, Saxophone

Dmitry Batalov, Piano

Prize Winners Kiefer Hablitzel | Göhner Competition 2025

**RECITAL** **NEXT GENERATION**

10.30 am | Gstaad Chapel | CHF 30

**SATURDAY, 29.08.2026**

Royal Philharmonic Orchestra |  
Petrenko & Abduraimov

Benzod Abduraimov, Piano; Royal Philharmonic Orchestra; Vasily Petrenko, Conductor

Tcherepnin: "La Princesse lointaine", prelude  
Tchaikovsky: Piano Concerto No. 1, Symphony No. 5

**ORCHESTRA | FAMILY MATTERS**

7.30 pm | Gstaad Festival Tent  
CHF 170/145/100/70

**SUNDAY, 30.08.2026**

Royal Philharmonic Orchestra |  
Peter and the Wolf

Family Concert with Daniel Hope, Narrator – *in German*; Royal Philharmonic Orchestra  
Vassily Petrenko, Conductor

Prokofiev: "Peter and the Wolf"

**ORCHESTRA | FAMILY MATTERS**

10.30 am | Gstaad Festival Tent  
CHF 40 (adults)/15 (children)

Hope Solo |  
Between Heaven and Earth

Daniel Hope, Violin & Presentation

Music for solo violin by J. S. Bach, Westhoff, Schulhoff, Biber, Schnittke and Rochberg

**RECITAL | MENUHIN'S LEGACY**

6 pm | Rougemont Church | CHF 85/60/40

**TUESDAY, 01.09.2026**

Jan Vogler & Christian Schmitt

Jan Vogler, Cello; Christian Schmitt, Organ

Music by J. S. Bach, Widor, Reger, Höller and Gubaidulina

**RECITAL | HOPE'S CHOICE**

7.30 pm | Rougemont Church | CHF 85/60/40

**WEDNESDAY, 02.09.2026**

Julia Lezhneva &  
Kammerorchester Basel

Julia Lezhneva, Soprano; Kammerorchester Basel

Opera arias by Ariosti, Porpora, Galuppi, Hasse, Giacomelli and Porta; Handel: Concerti grossi

**ORCHESTRA | LADIES FIRST**

7.30 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 130/110/70/40

**THURSDAY, 03.09.2026**

Carmela Konrad & Emanuele Forni

Carmela Konrad, Soprano

Emanuele Forni, Lute

PASSION/E

Renaissance and Early Baroque Love Songs

Muic by Purcell, Kapsberger, Caccini, Dowland, Strozzi, Piccinini, Frescobaldi and Monteverdi

**RECITAL | HOPE'S CHOICE**

7.30 pm | Lauenen Church | CHF 85/60/40

**FRIDAY, 04.09.2026**

Maurice Steger & Sebastian Wienand

Maurice Steger, Recorder

Sebastian Wienand, Harpsichord

**RECITAL | FAMILY MATTERS**

7.30 pm | Rougemont Church | CHF 130/110/70

**SATURDAY, 05.09.2026**

Edna Unseld

Edna Unseld, Violin

N. N., Piano

**RECITAL | NEXT GENERATION**

11.30 am | Gstaad Chapel | CHF 30

Celebration | B Minor Mass |  
Arcangelo & Jonathan Cohen

Arcangelo (choir & orchestra)

Jonathan Cohen, Conductor & Continuo

J. S. Bach: Mass in B Minor, BWV 232

**ORCHESTRA | MENUHIN'S LEGACY**

7.30 pm | Saanen Church | CHF 170/145/95/40

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# New Formats 2026

## PROGRAMME CATEGORIES

To present the rich and varied programme of the Menuhin Festival Gstaad in a clear and accessible way, all events are grouped into distinct categories. This structure provides helpful orientation and allows audiences to explore the full Festival experience with ease.

**CHAMBER MUSIC** Solo and chamber music performances in churches across the region. These concerts form a cornerstone of the Festival's tradition, embodying artistic closeness, refined interplay, and a uniquely atmospheric concert experience.

**OPERA** Concert performances of grand operas featuring distinguished singers and outstanding orchestras. International masterpieces come to Gstaad.

**ORCHESTRA** Symphonic programmes by leading international orchestras and the Gstaad Festival Orchestra, under the direction of Jaap van Zweden and an array of distinguished guest conductors. Immersive, monumental sound worlds come to life in the region's historic churches and beneath the soaring canopy of the Gstaad Festival Tent.

**RECITAL** Solo and chamber recitals – primarily set in the intimate setting of the Gstaad Chapel or in smaller village churches. These concerts highlight distinctive artistic voices, ranging from emerging talents of the "Next Generation" to renowned masters of the international stage.

## LABELS

The new curatorial labels make it easier to navigate the programme, while highlighting its standout themes and special artistic highlights.

**ACADEMY LIVE** Concerts that open the doors to our various academies – from the first rehearsal to the final performance. Experience the creative process up close and feel the energy of young musicians on their journey to the stage.

**FAMILY MATTERS** Music as a force that binds generations, friends, and artistic families. This year's theme celebrates connection, heritage, and the shared joy of creating music together.

**HOPE'S CHOICE** Daniel Hope shares his own musical discoveries – a hand-picked selection of concerts that reflect his passion, curiosity, and love of musical exploration.

**LIVING LEGENDS** Meet the great artists of today – musicians whose artistry defines an era and whose performances continue to shape musical history.

**DISCOVERY** Interactive concerts, outreach workshops, and inspiring behind-the-scenes experiences for all ages. Discovery invites you to explore, listen, and take part – opening doors to the world of music with joy, curiosity, and a sense of play.

**THE SUMMIT** Under the banner "The Summit", a vibrant forum unfolds where leading voices from music, culture, and society come together to explore the ideas and questions that shape our future. Inspiring panels, thought-provoking conversations, and select concert formats create a unique space for reflection, exchange, and artistic vision.

**MOVIE** Documentary and music films at the Ciné-Theatre Gstaad. The new film series is devoted to Yehudi Menuhin and other influential musical figures, offering deep insights into the lives of renowned artists with close ties to the Festival.

**LADIES FIRST** A celebration of women who shape the musical world – musicians, conductors, and composers, past and present. This series honours their creative strength and gives voice to those still waiting to be rediscovered.

**MENUHIN'S LEGACY** A tribute to Yehudi Menuhin – through concerts, films, and encounters that keep his ideals of humanity, openness, and musical dialogue alive.

**MUSIC FOR GSTAAD** Free and accessible concerts that bring music into the heart of the community – connecting people and places through shared musical experiences.

**NEXT GENERATION** A platform for outstanding young talents from around the world – presented in intimate, inspiring concert settings that reveal the future of music in the making.

# Looking Ahead to Summer: *New Initiatives on the Horizon*

With the 2026 season, the Menuhin Festival Gstaad expands its programme with new initiatives that invite audiences to experience music from unexpected perspectives. Step beyond the concert hall – into spaces of encounter, dialogue, and shared inspiration.

## **THE SUMMIT**

*A Think Tank for tomorrow's culture*

*24 & 25 July 2026*

A new forum for exchange and forward thinking: The Summit gathers leading voices from music, culture, and society in Gstaad. Through talks, panels, and informal encounters, participants and audiences alike gain insight into the creative processes behind the scenes – and spark new ideas and visions for tomorrow's culture.

## **FILM SERIES AT THE CINÉ-THEATRE GSTAAD**

The new film series at the Ciné-Theatre Gstaad presents captivating documentaries on Yehudi Menuhin and other iconic figures in music history. These films offer inspiration, reveal stories, and cinematic perspectives on our founder's artistic legacy – and provide a vivid journey through the diverse worlds of music.

## **EXPANDED DISCOVERY EVENTS**

With Discovery, music becomes an adventure for everyone – young or old, curious or passionate alike. Join us for interactive concerts, hands-on workshops, and this season's new President's Hikes with Festival President Richard Müller. Across the entire Festival, Discovery events invite you to listen, learn, and share in the joy of bringing music to life.

Detailed information on these new formats will be announced in February 2026. Learn more at [menuhin.ch](http://menuhin.ch)