



ORGAN TRAINING
FOR YOUNG PEOPLE



CREATING AN ORGAN SCHOOL AND A SUMMER SEASON FOR YOUNG ARTISTS

The Abbey of Saint-Maurice remains faithful to its tradition of transmitting liturgical music and opening up to the world. The Organ School and the Summer Season for Young Artists will offer a flexible and qualitative framework for initiation and training on this renowned, imposing and complex instrument.



MEETING ALL AUDIENCES

The school will travel throughout the Abbey territory and French-speaking Switzerland, using the organs of the Abbey of Saint-Maurice as well as those of quality in the region, in order to reach out to everyone, regardless of age or origin. A system of scholarships, financed by patrons, will enable the most modest to discover all the richness of this unique instrument.



OFFERING «À LA CARTE» TRAINING

Individual lessons, masterclasses, summer improvisation courses... A real alternative to the conservatory, the Organ School will offer its students fun, tailor-made training modules, adapted to the needs and age of each student, under the guidance of recognized organ teachers.



GIVING YOUNG ARTISTS A PLATFORM TO PERFORM

Each year and for three months, from June to August, the Summer Season for Young Artists will give to young talents and high school students carte blanche during concerts. It will bring young people together around the organ and singing, thus contributing to new vocations and revealing talents of tomorrow.



AMBITIONS

+ ENCOURAGE VOCATIONS

From the age of 8

- **Introduction** to the instrument
- **Visit** to the inside elements of the organ
- **Weekly individual lessons** «à la carte»
- **Patronage scholarships** made available

+ HELPING YOUNG TALENTS TO EMERGE

From the age of 14

- **Summer courses** and workshops in organ improvisation
- **Thematic courses**
(accompaniment of singing, harmony lessons, harmonization of Psalms, introduction to liturgical singing)
- **Masterclasses** at the Basilica of Saint-Maurice on the mobile console of the organ
- **Patronage scholarships** made available

+ AIMING FOR EXCELLENCE

For the more experienced organists

- **Individual lessons**, given in the organist's parish to take full advantage of the organ available
- **Meetings at the Basilica of Saint-Maurice:**
synthesis of the teaching received

+ BRINGING TOGETHER YOUNG ARTISTS

- **Organ concerts** given by invited organists and adapted to young people
- **Concerts given by young people** in training
- **Masterclasses** adapted to young artists



PROJECT COST

TOTAL

50'000 CHF
PER YEAR

35'000 CHF
PER YEAR

ORGAN SCHOOL

+

15'000 CHF
PER YEAR

SUMMER SEASON FOR
YOUNG ARTISTS



MUSICAL DIRECTION



Charles Barbier,
Director of Music



Thomas Kientz,
Titular organist
of the Basilica of
Saint-Maurice



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PROJECT AMOUNT

50 000 CHF / YEAR

Organ School: **35 000 CHF / year**

Summer Season for Young Artists: **15 000 CHF / year**

**«I HAVE WORKED HARD.
ANYONE WHO WORKS LIKE ME CAN
DO WHAT I HAVE DONE.»**

Johann Sebastian Bach



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