

The greats of tomorrow already today on stage in Kitzbühel

Young talents performed in the Stadtpark as part of Kitzbühel Klassik.

The successful project "Kitzbühel Klassik" as part of Elīna Garanča's 10th anniversary concert "Classical Music in the Alps" was expanded this year to include a high-profile cooperation with the Opera Studio of the Vienna State Opera.

This is the second time that Kitzbühel has provided young opera talents with atmospheric concerts in a unique idyllic setting. The finalists of Elīna Garanča's Future Voices as well as the members of the opera studio of the Vienna State Opera got the chance to present their talent in front of an audience and gain stage experience at Kitzbühel Klassik in the Stadtpark from 05 to 07 July 2023..

Elīna Garančas ZukunftStimmen

The finalists of Elīna Garanča's ZukunftStimmen took over the programme moderated by Clemens Klug on two days. To kick off Kitzbühel Klassik on Wednesday, 5 July, the two sopranos Stephanie Fritz and the Tyrolean Annina Wachter performed in the covered courtyard of the district administration office due to the weather forecast. In bright sunshine, mezzo-soprano Nadja Kaiserseder and soprano Leonie Paulus sang their way into the hearts of hundreds of spectators in Kitzbühel's Stadtpark on Friday, accompanied by Kitzbühel-based pianist Katharina Königsfeld. The majority of the music enthusiasts were so enthusiastic about the innovative event format and listened to the classical sounds on all three days with free admission.

At the end of the concert series, Kammersängerin Elīna Garanča once again focused on her concern to promote young singers. The young bass Felix Pacher prevailed over around 50 competitors in the context of her "ZukunftStimmen" initiative and will therefore perform together with Elīna Garanča at the 10th anniversary concert Klassik in den Alpen on Saturday, 8 July.

The Opera Studio as a guest in Kitzbühel

Kitzbühel Klassik became even more top-class at the second edition: members of the internationally renowned opera studio of the Vienna State Opera showed their skills on stage in Kitzbühel's Stadtpark on Thursday, 6 July. Despite intermittent rain, around two hundred spectators were on hand to admire the talents: soprano Jenni Hietala from Finland, mezzo-soprano Alma Neuhaus from the USA, tenor Katleho Mokhoabane from South Africa, tenor Agustín Gomez from Argentina, bass Stephano Park from South Korea and pianist Richard Fu from China and the USA respectively.

Kitzbühel Tourism Managing Director Dr. Viktoria Veider-Walser is enthusiastic about this innovative and high-calibre concert format: "With the freely accessible young talent concerts of Elīna Garanča's ZukunftStimmen and the members of the Opera Studio of the Vienna State Opera, we are creating low-threshold access to high culture in Kitzbühel and giving young talents the opportunity to present themselves in front of the imposing backdrop of Kitzbühel's Stadtpark. We are convinced that the "Kitzbühel Klassik" format is entirely in keeping with our brand and our image of the future and also pays into the tourist positioning of high-quality yet unpretentious classical entertainment."

Further information on Kitzbühel Klassik can be found at klassik.kitzbuehel.com

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