

OTTO TAUSK – Conductor



Dutch conductor **Otto Tausk** is Music Director of the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra and Artistic Advisor to the VSO School of Music. Internationally recognized for his dynamic musicianship and insightful interpretations, he has worked with leading orchestras and opera houses worldwide, conducting a diverse repertoire ranging from core symphonic works to contemporary compositions.

Highlights of the 2024/25 season include a Canadian tour with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, debuts with the Taipei Symphony Orchestra and Buffalo Philharmonic and returns to the Deutsche Staatsphilharmonie Rheinland-Pfalz, Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra, Danish National Symphony Orchestra, and Staatskapelle Weimar. This summer, Tausk will conduct the NDR Philharmonie Hannover at the Schleswig-Holstein Musik Festival.

Tausk has appeared as a guest conductor with the Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra, Los Angeles Philharmonic, New Jersey Symphony, San Diego Symphony, Rotterdam Philharmonic, Netherlands Radio Philharmonic, Residentie Orkest, Danish National Symphony Orchestra, Orquesta Sinfónica de Galicia, Orchestra Sinfonica di Milano Giuseppe Verdi, Stuttgart Philharmoniker, the National Orchestra of Belgium, and orchestras across the UK including BBC Scottish Symphony and BBC National Orchestra of Wales, with whom he performed Richard Strauss' *Ein Heldenlebe* at the 2018 BBC Proms.

From 2012–2018, Tausk was Music Director of the Theater und Orchester Sankt Gallen, where he led numerous operas, including the world premiere of *Annas Maske* by Swiss composer David Hefti and the Swiss premiere of George Benjamin's *Written on Skin*. For his contributions to the arts in the Netherlands, particularly his

leadership at Holland Symfonia (2007–2012), Tausk was awarded the prestigious *De Olifant* prize by the City of Haarlem.

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