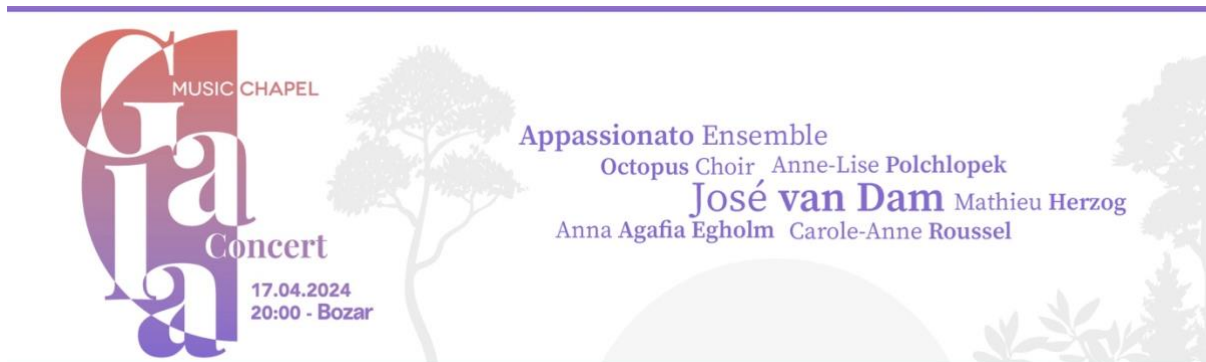


Music Chapel Gala Concert

17.04.24 – 20:00 @Bozar, Henry Le Bœuf Hall

Press release



The **Queen Elisabeth Music Chapel** is pleased to present its traditional **Gala Concert** on **April 17th** in the magnificent Henry Le Bœuf hall at **Bozar**.

This concert will be enhanced by the presence of **Their Majesties King Albert II and Queen Paola, Honorary Chairman of the Music Chapel** for 20 years, at the renewal of the institution.

An evening that will illustrate its strong values: excellence, transmission, and companionship aimed at raising high the young promising generations of musicians, at the heart of a unique worldwide project welcoming more than 30 nationalities every year.

Taking the spotlight on stage, **José van Dam** - Master in residence of the Music Chapel for 20 years for the singing section. In an unexpected but captivating role as the narrator of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, he will be surrounded by the **Octopus** choir and two young singers: the Quebec soprano and Associate Artist **Carole-Anne Roussel** whose career is developing with great success both overseas and in Europe, and the talented French mezzo-soprano **Anne-Lise Polchlopek**, Artist in residence.

The splendid violinist of Danish-Ukrainian origin and Artist in residence **Anna Agafia Egholm** will be the star of the first part in Beethoven's longest and only violin concerto: the D major.

Mentors and young talents will be accompanied by Appassionato, the excellent chamber orchestra created and directed by Mathieu Herzog for more than ten years.

Artists:

Ensemble Appassionato - [Appassionato](#)

Octopus Choir - [Octopus](#)

Mathieu Herzog, conductor - [Mathieu Herzog](#)

Anna Agafia Egholm, violin - [Anna Agafia](#)

Carole-Anne Roussel, soprano - [Carole-Anne Roussel](#)

Anne-Lise Polchlopek, mezzo-soprano - [Anne-Lise Polchlopek](#)

José van Dam, narrator - [José van Dam, Queen Elisabeth Music Chapel](#)

Program:

Ensemble Appassionato

Mathieu Herzog, conductor

Anna Agafia Egholm, violin

L. van Beethoven: Violin Concerto in D Major, op. 61

- *Intermission* -

Ensemble Appassionato

Octopus Choir

Mathieu Herzog, conductor

Carole-Anne Roussel, soprano

Anne-Lise Polchlopek, mezzo-soprano

José van Dam, narrator

F. Mendelssohn: A Midsummer Night's Dream, op. 61 (With a reading of Shakespeare's text by José van Dam)

Practical information:

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Bozar, Henry Le Bœuf Hall

Rue Ravenstein – 1000 Brussels



Live broadcast on Musiq3, Livestreaming on www.musicchapel.org & [Music Chapel YouTube Channel](#)

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