



**FRANZ LISZT**  
CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

# HIGHLIGHTS OF SEASON 2023/24



# ENESCU FESTIVAL

08 SEPTEMBER 2023  
BUCHAREST, ROMANIAN ATHENAEUM  
09 SEPTEMBER 2023  
SIBIU, FILARMONICA DE STAT SIBIU  
- SALA THALIA

**Pierre-Laurent Aimard** (piano)  
**István Várdai** (cello, conductor)

## PROGRAMME:

**Ligeti:** Ramifications for String Orchestra  
**Bartók:** Piano Concerto No. 3 in E major Sz. 119  
**Enescu:** String Octet in C major Op. 7 (arr. for string orchestra)





# KODÁLY, HARTMANN, BARTÓK

27 SEPTEMBER 2023  
NEUMARKT, FESTSAAL REITSTADEL

**Pablo Barragán** (clarinet)  
**István Várdai** (cello, conductor)  
**Lajos Sárközy Ensemble**



## PROGRAMME:

**Kodály:** Hungarian Rondo - transcription for cello and string orchestra  
**Hartmann:** Chamber Concerto for Clarinet, String Quartet and String Orchestra  
**Bartók:** Divertimento  
**Weiner:** Divertimento No. 1 op. 20



# KRONBERG FESTIVAL

30 SEPTEMBER 2023

KRONBERG, CASALS FORUM, GRAND HALL

**Kolja Blacher** (violin)  
**Lajos Sárközy Ensemble**  
**István Várdai** (conductor)

## PROGRAMME:

**Schubert:** Quartettsatz in c minor for two violins, viola and violoncello  
D 703 – Arr. for string orchestra

**Hartmann:** Concerto funèbre for violin and string orchestra

**Tchaikovsky:** Pezzo capriccioso in b minor for cello and orchestra op. 62

**Kodály:** Doppeltanz from “Kálló”

**Popper:** Hungarian Rhapsody for violoncello and piano op. 68

– Arr. István Várdai & Lajos Sárközy Ensemble

**Weiner:** Divertimento No. 1 op. 20





# HUNGARIAN RHAPSODY

09 OCTOBER 2023  
GRAN TEATRO NACIONAL, LIMA  
11 OCTOBER 2023  
SALA SÃO PAULO

**Lajos Sárközy Ensemble**  
**István Várdai** (cello)

## PROGRAMME:

**Bartók:** Romanian Folk Dances  
**Brahms:** String Sextet No. 1 in B-flat major, Op. 18, 2nd mvt  
**Weiner:** Divertimento No. 1  
**Liszt-Péter Wolf:** Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2  
**Kodály:** The Kálló Double Dance  
**Popper:** Hungarian Rhapsody  
**Brahms:** Hungarian Dances No. 1, 5, 6





# THE IDYLIC AND THE IRREPRESSIBLE

25 OCTOBER 2023  
LISZT ACADEMY, GRAND HALL

**István Várdai** (cello)  
**Gábor Takács-Nagy** (conductor)

## PROGRAMME:

**Janáček:** Idyll for String Orchestra  
**Brahms:** Liebeslieder Walzer (Love Songs Waltzes), Op. 52  
– arranged for strings by Friedrich Hermann  
**Dvořák:** Cello Concerto in B minor, Op. 104





# DIVERTIMENTO

01 NOVEMBER 2023  
STADTCASINO, BASEL

02 NOVEMBER 2023  
GENEVA, VICTORIA HALL

04 NOVEMBER 2023  
CĚSIS CONCERT HALL

**István Várdai** (cello)  
**Lajos Sárközy Ensemble**

## PROGRAMME:

**Bartók:** Divertimento

**Haydn:** Cello Concerto in C major

**Weiner:** Divertimento No.1, op. 20

**Kodály:** The Kállai Double Dance

**Popper:** Hungarian Rhapsody

**Brahms:** Hungarian Dances No. 1, 6





# LIGETI, BARTÓK

10 NOVEMBER 2023  
MARIBOR, UNION HALL

**Pierre-Laurent Aimard** (piano)  
**András Keller** (conductor)

## PROGRAMME:

**Bartók:** Romanian Folk Dances  
**Bartók:** Piano Concerto No. 3 in E major  
**Ligeti:** Ramifications for String Orchestra  
**Bartók:** Divertimento





# LISZT, HAYDN, MENDELSSOHN

22 NOVEMBER 2023  
CSO ADA ANKARA ANA SALON

**István Várdai** (cello)

## PROGRAMME:

**Bartók:** Romanian Folk Dances

**Liszt:** Angelus! - for string orchestra

**Haydn:** Cello Concerto in C major

**Mendelssohn:** Symphony No.4 in A major, Op. 90





# SPANISH TOUR

26 NOVEMBER 2023

RIOJAFORUM, LOGROÑO

27 NOVEMBER 2023

AUDITORIO DE ZARAGOZA

28 NOVEMBER 2023

SOCIEDAD FILARMÓNICA DE BILBAO

29 NOVEMBER 2023

OVIEDO, AUDITORIO PRINCIPE FELIPE

30 NOVEMBER 2023

AUDITORIO KURSAAL, SAN SEBASTIAN

**István Várdai** (cello)

## PROGRAMME:

**Haydn:** Cello Concerto in D major, No. 1, Hob. VIIIb:2

**Bartók:** Romanian Folk Dances

**Mendelssohn:** Symphony No.4 in A major, Op. 90





# STRAVINSKY / WEBER / BEETHOVEN

03 DECEMBER 2023  
LISZT ACADEMY, GRAND HALL

**Matic Kuder** (clarinet)  
**Andreas Ottensamer** (conductor)

## PROGRAMME:

**Stravinsky:** Concerto in D

**Weber:** Clarinet Concerto in E flat major, Op. 74

**Beethoven:** Symphony No. 2 in D major, Op. 36





# MUSIK DER MEISTER

10 FEBRUARY 2024  
WIEN, MUSIKVEREIN

**István Várdai** (cello, conductor)

## PROGRAMME:

**Haydn:** Cello Concerto in D major, No. 1, Hob. VIIIb:2

**Haydn:** Cello Concerto in C major, No. 2, Hob. VIIIb:1

**Beethoven:** Symphony No. 2 in D major, Op. 36





# BEETHOVEN IN FOCUS 2/1

14 FEBRUARY 2024  
LISZT ACADEMY, GRAND HALL

**Sunwook Kim** (piano)

## PROGRAMME:

**Beethoven:** Piano Concerto No. 4 in G major, Op. 58

**Beethoven:** Symphony No. 7 in A major, Op. 92





# BACH, MENDELSSOHN, ENESCU

14 MARCH 2024  
LISZT ACADEMY, GRAND HALL

**Leticia Moreno** (violin)  
**István Várdai** (conductor)

## PROGRAMME:

**Bach:** Brandenburg Concerto No. 3, BWV 1048

**Mendelssohn:** Violin Concerto in e minor, op. 64

**Enescu:** String Octet in C major Op. 7 (arr. for string orchestra)





# HEIDELBERG FESTIVAL

04 APRIL 2024

AULA OF NEUE UNIVERSITÄT HEIDELBERG

**István Várdai** (cello, conductor)  
**Pablo Barragán** (clarinet)  
**Lajos Sárközy Ensemble**



## PROGRAMME:

**Kodály:** Hungarian Rondo - transcription for cello and string orchestra

**Hartmann:** Chamber Concerto for Clarinet, String Quartet and String Orchestra

**Bartók:** Divertimento

**Weiner:** Divertimento No. 1 op. 20



# BEETHOVEN IN FOCUS 2/2

17 APRIL 2024

LISZT ACADEMY, GRAND HALL

**Javier Perianes** (piano)

## PROGRAMME:

**Beethoven:** Piano Concerto No. 1 in C major, Op. 15

**Beethoven:** Piano Concerto No. 3 in C minor, Op. 37





# END OF THE YEAR CONCERT

05 MAY 2024  
LISZT ACADEMY, GRAND HALL

**Signum Saxophone Quartet**  
**István Várdai** (conductor)

## PROGRAMME:

**Schubert:** String Quartet No. 12 in C minor "Quartettsatz" D703

**Signum transcriptions from Bach chorales:**

Was Gott tut, ist wohlgetan - for saxophone quartet and chamber orchestra

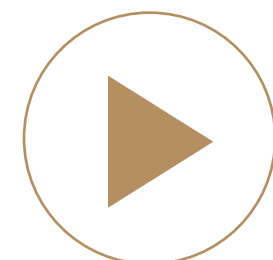
Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland - for saxophone quartet

Sei Lob und Preis mit Ehren - for saxophone quartet and chamber orchestra

**Bach:** Toccata and Fugue in D minor, BWV 565 - Signum transcription for saxophone quartet and chamber orchestra

**Jörg Widmann:** 180 Beats per Minute

**Philip Glass:** Concerto for Saxophone Quartet and Orchestra  
(Hungarian premiere)





# TOUR IN TURKEY

06 JUNE 2024  
ISZTAMBUL, İŞ TOWERS HALL  
07 JUNE 2024  
IZMIR, ADNAN SAYGUN HALL

**Gulsin Onay** (piano)  
**István Várdai** (cello, conductor)

## PROGRAMME:

**Bartók:** Romanian Folk Dances  
**Mozart:** Piano Concerto No. 12 in A Major, K 414  
**Liszt:** Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2  
**U. C. Erkin:** String Quartet (Arr. Franz Liszt Chamber Orchestra)  
**Popper:** Hungarian Rhapsody, op. 68  
**Weiner:** Divertimento No. 1, op. 20







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