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Short Biography - Tabea Zimmermann, Viola

For over four decades, Tabea Zimmermann has been among the premier violists of her time. She has recorded almost the entire repertoire for her instrument, and composers like György Ligeti, Wolfgang Rihm, and Georges Lentz have dedicated works to her. Beyond her role as a performer, she sees herself as a broader contributor to the musical world. Once the youngest professor in Germany, she has educated a whole generation of violists. As the chair of the Hindemith Foundation and (since July 2023) the Ernst von Siemens Music Foundation, she supports young artists, especially in the New Music sector. With her own foundation, she specifically backs innovative, intercultural projects. Of course, she continues to perform as a soloist and chamber musician. Following residencies with the Berlin Philharmonic and the Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra, the Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra has appointed Zimmermann as its Artistic Director for three years. Additionally, guest performances in Japan, a European tour with the Belcea Quartet, and portrait concerts at the Schwetzingen SWR Festival are on her schedule.