

Nazareth-in-Berlin Residential Program

6. Symphonic Music and Opera: Mozart to Mahler

Course Title: Symphonic Music and Opera: Mozart to Mahler

Credits: 3

Subject Category: Music History

Program Name: Berlin Residential Program

Country: Germany

Host Institution: Studienforum Berlin e.V.

Description: A thorough survey of two major idioms in music during the Classic, Romantic and part of the post-Romantic eras. The course traces the rapid development and maturity of these two genera, beginning with Haydn, Mozart and Beethoven. The evolution of symphony music in the works of Schubert, Schumann, Mendelssohn and Brahms, as music expression expands. Development of Program Music as represented by Liszt et al. Finally, the expansion of music with its more developed emotional power in the works of Bruckner and Mahler. In parallel with symphonic music, the course investigates the development of opera from the magnificent and provocative operas of Mozart through to the romantic-nationalistic style of Weber and the music-drama style of Wagner. Course work includes listening assignments and attendance at concerts and recitals in Berlin.