Talent Break 2: Codarts Symphony Orchestra – Conductors' Week

The last orchestra project of the academic year 23-24 will be led by our orchestral conducting students, Bruno Vicente (Bachelor 1st year) and Daniel Ros (Master 2nd year), who, throughout the week will work with the Codarts Symphony Orchestra - under the guidance of their Main Subject teacher Hans Leenders – in a wonderful program combining two of the great orchestral masterpieces of all time and a newly written piece by one of the most renowned current emerging female composer: the great *Tannhäuser Overture*, the wonderful *Enigma Variations* and the powerful *This Midnight Hour* by A. Clyne, a symphonic work that draws inspiration from two poems – one by Charles Baudelaire and another by Juan Ramón Jiménez. This project does not only bring the unique chance for the conducting students to work, learn and conduct this great repertoire and the Codarts Symphony Orchestra under the guidance of their teachers, but also for our instrumentalists to perform two of the most programmed masterpieces and music from the 21st century while getting an insight of the conductors' world.

Length: 90 minutes including break

Program:

R. Wagner Tannhäuser Overture (1845) – conductor: Bruno Vicente
A. Clyne This Midnight Hour (2015) – conductor: Bruno Vicente

- break -

E. Elgar Enigma Variations op. 36 (1899) – conductor: Daniel Ros

Conductors

Bruno Vicente (Bachelor year 1)

Bruno Vicente is a Portuguese conductor and composer, born in Figueira da Foz and currently residing in Rotterdam, the Netherlands. He's currently studying at Codarts Rotterdam, pursuing a bachelor's degree in orchestral conducting under the guidance of Hans Leenders and Sander Teepen. Before that he also completed a master's and bachelor's degrees in composition, at Codarts and ESMAE in Porto, Portugal, respectively. In conducting he also had classes with renowned names such as Karel Deseure, Baldur Brönnimann, Johan de Meij, Wiecher Mandemaker and Ronald Kieft. In composition, he has studied with figures such as Hans Koolmees, Wim Hendrickx, Klaas de Vries, Peter-Jan Wagemans, and Dimitris Andrikopoulos, among others.

In conducting, he has assisted conductors such as Frank de Groot with the Delfts Symphonie Orkest, and Samuel Tamarit Otero with the Flehite Sinfonietta. In January of 2024 he made his debut at the Nationale Opera & Ballet in Amsterdam with the premiere of Massimiliano Vizzini's short opera "Goldilocks in Amsterdam", as part of the Opera Forwards Festival. He also regularly collaborates with the Laurens as Rossini's Petite Messe Solennelle and Britten's Ceremony of Carols.

In the area of composition, in 2023, he was one of the finalists for the Stipendium prize of the Nederlands Radio Filharmonisch Orkest, having his work "Harmony of the Spheres" performed by this orchestra at the Muziekcentrum van de Omroep in Hilversum, the Netherlands. The same composition also won the 1st prize in the 2nd edition of the ABC...Compositores! competition at the Teatro Nacional de São Carlos and was premiered in March 2023 by the Portuguese Symphony Orchestra. In the same year, he was commissioned to orchestrate the national anthem of South Africa by the Sinfonia Rotterdam orchestra, in commemoration of the 60th anniversary of its principal conductor, Conrad van Alpen.

Bruno is also active as a choral singer, being currently a member of the Laurenscantorij and Laurens Symfonisch choirs in Rotterdam, where he has performed together with orchestras such as the Rotterdams Philharmonisch Orkest and the Residentie Orkest, and an active member of the Bach Koor Holland, where he sang Bach Matthew's Passion together with the Concertgebouw Chamber Orchestra.

Daniel Ros (Master's year 2)

The career of conductor Daniel Ros (1992), from El Jimenado (Murcia, Spain), has been consolidated by his growing activity. He was assistant conductor of the ADDA-Simfònica de Alicante orchestra and the Orquesta Joven de Córdoba during the 2019-2021 seasons. In addition, he was also assistant conductor of the Orquesta Sinfónica de la Región de Murcia during the 2019-2023 seasons. He currently combines his residence in Rotterdam, due to his studies of Master of Music in Orchestra Conducting at the University of the Arts of Rotterdam, under the tutelage of Hans Leenders and Sander Teepen. He is also a member of the board of the Spanish Association of Orchestra Conductors (AESDO) and, since its foundation in 2023, he is the artistic and musical director of the Harmonix Orchestra (HXO) and the President of the Harmonix Foundation.

Of particular note is his new appointment as Chief Conductor of the Leiden Sinfonietta from April 2024 and has won a position as assistant conductor at Opera Zuid in the Netherlands for their next production of Rossini, which will take La Scala di seta and II signor Bruschino on tour to different cities in the country during May and April 2024.

He has studied with great maestros such as Miguel Ángel Gómez-Martínez, Antoni Hermus, Karel Deseure, Igor Gruppman, Jurjen Hempel, Atso Almila, José Miguel

Rodilla, Cristóbal Soler, Miguel Romea, Michalis Economou, Nacho de Paz, Óliver Díaz, Fabián Panisello, Karel Mark Chichon and Johannes Wildner, among others.

He has conducted orchestras of recognised prestige such as the Orquesta Sinfónica y Orquesta de Jóvenes de la Región de Murcia, orquesta ADDA-Simfònica, Joven Orquesta Sinfónica de la FSMCV, Orquesta Joven de Córdoba, Het Nederlands Studenten Kamerorkest, Sinfonia Rotterdam, Berlin Symphoniker, Berlin Sinfonietta, Malta Philharmonic Orchestra, Harmonie Ensemble-Orchestra, Orquesta de Córdoba, Orquesta Sinfónica CullerArts, Leiden Sinfonietta, Rotterdams Studentenorkest, Orquesta Filarmónica de Gran Canaria, and the Joven Orquesta Nacional de España (JONDE).

Daniel Ros has received several national awards both for his work as a conductor and as a composer, including the AESDO Prize in the First International Orchestra Conducting Competition "Lliria, city of music" (2021) and the Second Prize in the second edition of the same competition (2023), as well as his semi-finalist place in the V Orchestral Conducting Competition organised by the Orquesta de Córdoba (2017). He has also been selected to attend various courses and competitions in Germany, France, Italy, Malta, the Netherlands, Portugal and Spain. He has also taken part as a jury member in important performance competitions, such as Entre Cuerdas y Metales and the Concurso de Jóvenes Intérpretes Villa de Molina.

In 2019 he was awarded a scholarship as a trainee conductor by the National Institute of Performing Arts and Music (INAEM) and the JONDE. After attending the specialisation course with Bruno Aprea, he was selected to conduct the JONDE in concert in the prestigious Sala Mozart of the Auditorio de Zaragoza.

He has conducted in prestigious halls such as the Sala Mozart of the Auditorio de Zaragoza, the Sala Narciso Yepes of the Auditorio "Víctor Villegas" in the Region of Murcia, the ADDA in Alicante, the Palau de les Arts in Valencia, the Muziekgebouw in Eindhoven or the Spiegelzaal of the Concertgebouw in Amsterdam, among others. His next engagements will take him to conduct in different countries such as Spain, Italy, the Netherlands, Venezuela and Germany.

Students list

Flutes*

Luca Roncato (Wagner and Clyne) Clément Husson (Wagner)

Lise de Munck (Wagner and Elgar) Songyoon Ryoo (Elgar)

Alexandra Huguet-Gély (Clyne)

Diego Pajares (Clyne)

Oboes*

Jet Speetjens Timpani

Victoria Torres Joao Sequeira

Sofia Santos (Elgar) Percussion

Raul Rodriguez (Elgar) Joep de Mooij

Clarinets* Anastas Paev

Nynke Dijkstra (Wagner) Simona Mihailova

Simon Redshaw (Wagner) Bart Wijnings (Elgar)

Paulien Backer (Elgar) Violins I

I-Ching Chen (Elgar) Ariane Bodin

Deniz Gülbeyaz (Clyne) Ana Moreno

Maria Mota (Clyne) Niya Parvanova

Bassoons Rita Abreu

Leyre Puignau Shenkang Zhou

Antoni Aliaga Sinem Ceylan

Valentine Bovendeert

Horns Beatriz Duarte

Emma Vondenhoff (Contrabassoon – Elgar)

José Tavares Lefteris Tzortzakis

Julia Parente Alessandra Sordo

Ryan Lam Maggie Burns

Trumpets Helena Gomes

Emiel van Geemert Lente Dijk

Duco Akkerman Petru Suciu

Jaap van Duyn Madalena Lopes

Trombones Violins II

Zilong Huang Sonsoles Valles Rodriguez

Katie Blackburn Guilherme Barbosa

Jan Jozsef Buis (Bass Trombone) Nina Broeva

Tuba* Joao Oliveira

Steven Le Maitre (Wagner) Francisca Cardoso

Filipe Perestrelo (Elgar) Adam Habram

Sjoerd Gaans (Clyne) Alexandros Typou

Gabriela Lopes

(Violins II)

António Dias Cellos

Rita Andrade Gabriel Rodero

Sofia Ru Gongora Clara Piccoli

Esther Roijé Margarida Azevedo

Vladena Mineva Sari Saciri

<mark>Violas</mark>

Roberto Luque Schoham Lidia Santana

Jorge Pastor Ema Miranda

Joana Heleno Tjitte Bedem

Thijs Linden Joao Pereira

Daniela Rivera Lola Jurakic

Stéphane Schmalen Double Bass*

Wilker Paredes Marijn Blokker (principal Wagner and Elgar)

Yacub Toré

Diogo Lopes

Edgar Milhões

Jovan Filipovic

Geert Pfeiffer (principal Clyne)

Misha Niemel



^{*}students who will rotate per piece