



### **Cancellation of the Mühldorf Summer Academy from September 2 to September 12, 2021**

The overall situation due to the global COVID-19 pandemic remains tense. Even after the vaccination has now started, the overall infection situation will only improve slowly over the next few months. The federal government is currently warning of a highly aggressive new, mutated form of corona B117, which is currently spreading rapidly from Great Britain. That could require even more drastic containment measures such as longer school closings, even more extensive contact restrictions and further travel restrictions.

A serious continuation of the Mühldorf Summer Academy at the qualitative level of previous years is therefore unfortunately still not possible due to the COVID-19 pandemic and its immediate effects in 2021.

The situation at the music training centers is also shaped by the pandemic restrictions. In many places, face-to-face teaching is currently not possible. Entrance tests and exams will be suspended or postponed to a later date. The cultural scene has come to a standstill in Europe and worldwide, and many offers are being shifted to the virtual area.

According to the unanimous opinion of the organizational level, the master-classes from the non-profit association "Mühldorfer Sommerakademie e. V. ", are only possible in presence form.

The previous summer academies in Mühldorf am Inn were characterized by interaction and professional exchange between the participants. During the respective academy phases there were daily auditions, chamber music rehearsals and four academy concerts (final concert of the youth development course; academy concert of the lecturers; final concert of the course participants in Neumarkt St. Veit; final concert of the course participants in the Hans-Prähofer-Haus) in an almost as familiar atmosphere instead. There were also various supplementary courses (stage presence; cultural management; tango chamber music; rhythm & fantasy) and excursions (Pöllmann double bass workshop in Neumarkt St. Veit). These activities are still not possible due to the applicable Corona restrictions (distance rules; maximum number of participants; travel restrictions).

We are committed to the high standards in terms of the quality and importance of our courses and do not want to accept any compromises due to the pandemic. With a heavy heart, these discoveries made us suspend the Mühldorf Summer Academy for another year.

We ask for your understanding for this step and we hope that we can again offer our master classes in the Hans-Prähofer-Haus during the 18th Mühldorfer Summer Academy 2022 from September 1 to 11, 2022 in the usual and planned way again.

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