

THE NOBEL
PRIZE AWARD
CEREMONY
2015

THE 2015 NOBEL LAUREATES

THE NOBEL PRIZE IN PHYSICS

Professor Takaaki Kajita

Professor Emeritus Arthur B. McDonald

THE NOBEL PRIZE IN CHEMISTRY

Professor Emeritus Tomas Lindahl

Professor Paul Modrich

Professor Aziz Sancar

THE NOBEL PRIZE IN PHYSIOLOGY OR MEDICINE

Professor William C. Campbell

Professor Satoshi Ōmura

Chief Professor Tu Youyou

THE NOBEL PRIZE IN LITERATURE

Writer Svetlana Alexievich

THE SVERIGES RIKSBANK PRIZE IN ECONOMIC
SCIENCES IN MEMORY OF ALFRED NOBEL

Professor Angus Deaton

PROGRAMME

The Swedish royal anthem *Kungssången*
March in D Major, KV 249 by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Laureates take their seats on the stage

Speech by Professor Carl-Henrik Heldin, Chairman of the
Board of the Nobel Foundation

Waltz by Toru Takemitsu

PRESENTATION OF THE 2015 NOBEL PRIZE IN PHYSICS TO
PROFESSOR TAKAAKI KAJITA AND PROFESSOR EMERITUS
ARTHUR B. McDONALD
after a speech by Professor Olga Botner

PRESENTATION OF THE 2015 NOBEL PRIZE IN CHEMISTRY TO
PROFESSOR EMERITUS TOMAS LINDAHL, PROFESSOR PAUL
MODRICH AND PROFESSOR AZIZ SANCAR
after a speech by Professor Claes Gustafsson

The Maiden under the Linden Tree by Wilhelm Peterson-Berger
Soloist: Daniel Johansson

PRESENTATION OF THE 2015 NOBEL PRIZE IN PHYSIOLOGY OR
MEDICINE TO
PROFESSOR WILLIAM C. CAMPBELL, PROFESSOR SATOSHI
ŌMURA AND CHIEF PROFESSOR TU YOUYOU
after a speech by Professor Hans Forssberg

Lensky's Aria from Eugen Onegin by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky
Soloist: Daniel Johansson

PRESENTATION OF THE 2015 NOBEL PRIZE IN LITERATURE TO
WRITER SVETLANA ALEXIEVICH
after a speech by Writer Per Wästberg

Rondo Alla Turca by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

PRESENTATION OF THE 2015 SVERIGES RIKSBANK PRIZE
IN ECONOMIC SCIENCES IN MEMORY OF ALFRED NOBEL TO
PROFESSOR ANGUS DEATON
after a speech by Professor Tore Ellingsen

The Swedish national anthem *Du gamla, Du fria*
The Queen of Sheba's Festivity March from
The Prodigal Son by Hugo Alfvén
Played while the guests are leaving the auditorium

Music performed by
The Royal Stockholm Philharmonic Orchestra

Soloist
Daniel Johansson

Conductor
Anna-Maria Helsing

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ANNA-MARIA HELSING has gained an outstanding reputation with leading Scandinavian orchestras and opera houses. During her studies with Finnish conductor Leif Segerstam, she was chosen to take part in the Allianz International Conductor's Academy to be trained by Esa-Pekka Salonen and Gustavo Dudamel with the Philharmonia Orchestra.

From 2010 to 2013 Anna-Maria Helsing was Chief Conductor of the Oulu Symphony. She was the first woman to head a Finnish symphony orchestra.

Anna-Maria Helsing has conducted major Finnish orchestras such as the Finnish Radio Symphony Orchestra, Helsinki Philharmonic Orchestra, Tampere Philharmonic, Tapiola Sinfonietta and Finnish National Opera Orchestra. She has also led prominent orchestras in the Nordic countries, Estonia and Germany. Anna-Maria Helsing served as Assistant Conductor at the Finnish National Opera and at the Savonlinna Opera Festival in 2006/07. In 2008 she made her official conducting debut at the Finnish National Opera. Further engagements have led her to the Tampere Opera and Opera Vaasa.

She started her career as a violinist and led chamber orchestras before serving as conductor of the Wegelius Chamber Orchestra and Artistic Director of the Pietarsaari Sinfonietta.

DANIEL JOHANSSON, the 35 year old Swedish tenor, performed his first Hoffmann in *Tales of Hoffmann* at the Bregenzer Festspiele this summer. He also recently appeared as Ein Sänger in *Der Rosenkavalier* and as Rodolfo in *La Bohème*, both at the Royal Swedish Opera in Stockholm. Last season he performed the role of Pinkerton in *Madama Butterfly* in Stockholm, appeared as Rodolfo at the Finnish National Opera and sang his first Don José in *Carmen* at the Norwegian Opera in Oslo. Daniel was also seen in the role of Alfredo in *La Traviata*, both in Stockholm and in Oslo.

As one of today's most interesting Swedish singers, he has performed a number of classic roles around Europe.

In 2007 Daniel Johansson won the 1st

prize in the Gösta Winbergh Award and he has received scholarships from the Swedish Royal Musical Academy, the Anders Wall Foundation and the 2009 Birgit Nilsson Scholarship. During the spring of 2012 he was awarded the 1st prize in the Wilhelm Stenhammar Competition. Daniel Johansson studied at the University College of Opera in Stockholm.

THE ROYAL STOCKHOLM PHILHARMONIC, (RSPO), founded in 1902, enjoys great national and international acclaim. Working in close collaboration with Chief Conductor and Artistic Advisor Sakari Oramo, the orchestra's ambitions are high. Oramo was appointed in 2008, with his present contract lasting until 2018.

During Oramo's tenure the orchestra's international reputation has grown even stronger. Recent performances include New York and Washington as well as the Dresden Festival. Its latest tour began in the classical venue Musikverein in Vienna in November this year, followed by concerts in Baden-Baden, Luxembourg, Cologne and the Laeiszhalle in Hamburg.

The RSPO's recordings of the Schumann symphonies (Sony) have received much international praise. Another recent RSPO release is its recording of orchestral works by Anders Hillborg (BIS) – a CD awarded with a Swedish Grammy in 2012. The release of the orchestra's recordings of Carl Nielsen symphonies has started in 2015 with great acclaim from music critics.

Even though mastery of the vast classical symphonic repertoire is the core objective of the RSPO, the orchestra actively strives to renew and broaden the range of music available for a symphony orchestra. Programming also includes in-depth presentations of repertoire music, with the major Sibelius-Nielsen festival that was arranged in the spring of 2015 as one recent example. The festival featured all the symphonies of Sibelius and Nielsen, together with related works by other composers. The RSPO performs yearly at the Nobel Prize Ceremony, as well as at the Nobel Prize Concert.