



## RORY MACDONALD

### Conductor

#### ABOUT RORY MACDONALD

A dynamic presence in both the opera house and concert hall, Rory Macdonald's conducting combines intellectual rigour with passionate engagement. With a notably wide repertoire from Dowland to MacMillan, his collegiate approach has led to many successful collaborations with leading artists and production teams. Recent highlights include La Bohème for Glyndebourne which resulted in an immediate re-invitation as well as returns to Oper Frankfurt (Le Nozze di Figaro) and Opera Theater of Saint Louis (The Magic Flute).

In the last few seasons he has returned regularly to the Philharmonia Orchestra, Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, BBC Philharmonic Orchestra, Royal Scottish National Orchestra and Tokyo City Philharmonic Orchestra amongst others, as well as making successful debuts with the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic, Nordwestdeutsche Philharmonie, Adelaide Festival (Romeo Castellucci's staging of Requiem) and Brisbane Festival (Peter Grimes).

Rory returns to the USA for several symphonic debuts in the 2024/2025 season.

Passionate about new music, Rory has conducted the premieres of works by composers including Sally Beamish, Sir James MacMillan, Geoffrey Gordon and Carl Vine. Rory studied music at Cambridge University. Whilst there he studied under David Zinman and Jorma Panula at the American Academy of Conducting in Aspen.

After graduating from Cambridge, he was appointed assistant conductor to Iván Fischer at the Budapest Festival Orchestra (2001-2003), and to Sir Mark Elder and the Hallé Orchestra (2006-2008). He was also a member of the Jette Parker Young Artists Programme at the Royal Opera House (2004-2006), where he worked closely with Sir Antonio Pappano on such major projects as the complete Ring cycle.

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 Coles, Cecil Behind the Lines  
 Copland Rodeo: Four Dance Episodes  
 Copland Appalachian Spring  
 Copland Clarinet Concerto  
 Debussy Music from King Lear  
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 Delius The Walk to the Paradise Garden  
 Delius Aventyr  
 Dillon, James Via Sacra  
 Dvorak Legend Op 59 no 10  
 Dvorak Noon-Day Witch  
 Dvorak Overture: Carnival  
 Dvorak Cello Concerto  
 Dvorak Symphony No 5  
 Dvorak Nocturne for Strings  
 Dvorak Silent Woods  
 Dvorak The Water Goblin  
 Dvorak The Wood Dove  
 Dvorak Overture "Vanda"  
 Dvorak Symphonic Variations  
 Dvorak Symphony No 7  
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 Elgar Cello Concerto  
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 Geoffrey Gordon Cello Concerto 'Faust'  
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Mahler Lieder eines Fahrenden gesellen  
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Martinu Oboe Concerto  
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Rimsky-Korsakov Overture: May Night  
Rodrigo Guitar Concerto  
Rossini Overture: The Italian Girl in Algiers (cut)  
Rossini Overture: The Barber of Seville  
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Saint-Saens Symphony No 3 'Organ'  
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Schubert Symphony No 9 'Great'  
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Schumann Symphony No 2  
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Shostakovich Concerto for Piano, Trumpet and Strings  
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Shostakovich Symphony No 1  
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