



UNIQUE AVE MARIA CONCEPT HAS BEEN DEVELOPED

**AVE MARIA CONCERT FESTIVALS IS ABOUT CELEBRATING THAT YOU YOURSELF GOT A
CHANCE TO BECOME ALIVE ... BORN**

**THE DAY BEFORE THE DAY IN DECEMBER IS SYMBOLICLY THE LAST DAY A MOTHER SITS
ALONE AND WONDER AND CREATE HOPES FOR THE FUTURE AND FOR HER CHILD**

CELEBRATE YOUR MOTHER AND YOUR LIFE

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WELCOME TO AVE MARIA CONCERT FESTIVALS

Ave Maria Concert Festivals premiered in Italy at Cathedral San Cataldo in 2011 by the initiative of composer N. Skipper.

The conceptual idea was to bring the past into the future, a rebirth to ancient composers, who had been sleeping and forgotten in drawers, and presenting them in a concert format with contemporary musicians and artists.

Once the project saw the day of light, due to initiatives from enthusiasts in Italy, it turned out, that the project was much more vast than first expected.

The number of composers suddenly exceeded 1000, then the 2000 limit, then the 3000 limit, then the 4000 limit.

A wealth of forgotten composers from ancient times popped up, and deserved attention.

The project then took years to build. As the rumours spread about Ave Maria Concert Festivals more and more artists started to contribute with their renditions and interpretations of older works and newer works.

We started to notice how forgotten talented composers were, and how the audience had almost none knowledge of Ave Maria. Often people said, even in Italy, "I know that song".

Comment: It is not "that song" is is thousands of songs.

"Wow," composer N. Skipper though, "we must do something about that".

N. Skipper has for many decades worked in the music business. On management friendships he met with managers creating and promoting icons such as The Beatles, Elton John, ABBA, Frank Sinatra, and now was the time to use the promotional knowledge learned from these superiors.

Many considerations and many thoughts. How can we show credit and respect to such a cultural heritage, which no-one apparently had never discovered.

The business creator of The Beatles actually had given the idea many years earlier. And, as you join Ave Maria Concert Festivals from your balcony or concert hall, you will learn more about these considerations.

Creating a festival concept. But how and when?

First thoughts was to ask for Verona arena late October, and combine it as a platform for a handful of major artists. N. Skipper was a friend of the huge concert promoter, who knew the families and managers behind major artists, such as Whitney Houston, titled "The Voice". So, why not approach Whitney and family and suggest a combination and a European Tour.

A few months after returning to base, the sad news of Whitney Houston arrived. Thus, we could not combine a tour with Whitney and Italian artists. Project fantasies cancelled.

Again next summer N. Skipper went to Italy. This time he met with an opera-manager, who had created Summer Opera in Southern Italy. It turned out, that they had both been members of the same umbrella-network in Cannes, where 320 festivals were represented.

A friendship quickly rose, and soon after The La Scala Opera Choir, Coro Lirico Terre Verdiane, agreed to become Ave Maria Concert Festivals choirs, being able to take upon them concerts globally. They even

worked with Riccardo Muti, who ABBA manager Stig Stikkan Anderson had given the Polar Music Prize. The choir is considered the ultimate professional choir within opera.

Unfortunately as things were about to take this turn, the concert promoter passed away.

Project went to sleep. However, the background work continued and continued to improve.

As Covid-19 entered the global stage in 2019-2020, technology had improved. For instance, Facebook, Zoom, WhatsApp, made the world coming close together. And in fall 2020 phone companies were beginning to launch a faster network, going from 4G to 5G.

Luck. That meant, that within a few years, people would have bought faster internet, allowing us Ave Maria singers and performers join easier.

Stages did not have to be concert halls, stages could become people's homes, a kitchen, a living room, a balcony. And sing with the rest of the world.

To synchronize a simultaneous performance, however, still halted a bit. The problem was a global delay on the internet, being just 0.07 second. Hmmm, but that was solved year 2023, experts claim.

Thus and therefore: The final point of this presentation is, that Ave Maria goes viral. Via Internet from house to house, from friend to friends, from family to family. Transmit to all of your friends, push the button, and make new friends in Argentina, in Samoa, in Kenya, in India, in China, in Australia, in Korea, in Europe.

The 23. December is thus considered a serious Ave Maria concert day, where we honor motherhood, maternity, nativity, children, and pay music-respect to the lady of your dawn, the woman who brought YOU into this world, which YOU have enjoyed to become part of.

Mountains. Sun. Sea. Life. Friends. Food. Water.

Many children and mothers struggle with the basics of life, water and food. Thus and therefore we beg you to donate money DIRECTLY to organisations like UNICEF, UNESCO, and we beg you not to send any money to Ave Maria Concert Festivals.

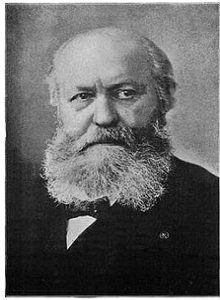
However, we beg you to go to your balcony the 23. December, symbolically "The Day Before The Day", and help us perform your favourite Ave Maria with your neighbours and friends, and spread the seeds into any country.

As 2023 is the premiere, we will keep it rather simple and select Ave Maria songs, which are familiar to the whole world. Need we say Ave Maria by Schubert, and Ave Maria by Gounod. They are easy to sing and follow karaoke-wise.

Next year, 2024, we have expanded with more and more advanced compositions, for example from composer Verdi, Mascagni, etc. The December 2024 program-setting is already on our website now, www.avemariaconcertfestivals.net

Please enjoy becoming a part of bringing 8 billion people together in one big family.

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CHARLES GOUNOD



FRANZ SCHUBERT

COMPOSERS

A brief introduction to Ave Maria composers.

FRANZ SCHUBERT

The most famous Ave Maria composition is the creation by Franz Schubert. He composed it in 1825, yes 200 years ago, and something in the structure made it easy for modern technology, such as a tinderbox, and later a record, via one singer and one pianist to get into the hearts of all people over the whole world. We see an explosion of Franz Schubert's Ave Maria in the 1960ies, as vinyl records with high quality becomes a song that every major artist took into their repertoire.

CHARLES GOUNOD

Twentyfive years after Franz Schubert passed away, Felix Mendelssohn invited his friend, Charles Gounod, to a concert. "Come on," he said to Charles, "they perform an old and forgotten compser in the town, so let's go and listen, because he was actually quite good during his time (a hundred years ago)".

The composer refereed to was Johann Sebastian Bach. Unfortunately Bach was a Protestant and Lutheran, so, so, that was not quite accepted. However, Charles Gounod had fallen in love with the melodic C-Prelude (BWV846), and he saw it as a crossover to merge and combine something new. He therefore sat down and composed the melodic line, "Meditation", which is extreamly popular all over the world. The crossover was picked up by N. Skipper, who created "the second verse" in 1998, which gave the opening to acces and create the festival system, Ave Maria Concert Festivals.

ASTOR PIAZZOLLA

Sensitive and heart-breaking Ave Maria by Piazzolla takes South America with storm. His family was emigrants arriving to Argentina, where he becomes very famous playing and composing on bandoneon (a harmonica type). He is a tango-composer and performer, however, he took the traditional tango and added jazz and classical elements, now called nuevo tango.

Few vocal artists have taken his bandeneon music and converted it into new vocal mixes. Exciting music productions.

CACCINI-VAVILOV

In 1970 a Russian composer manage to squeeze in Ave Maria by Caccini on his record. Research, however,

claim that it is the luth-composer Vladimer Vavilov, who composed the wonderful music, and "stuffed" it into a record dealing with ancient composers. In order to get it recorded, he had to claim it was the ancient composer, Caccini, or else the regime would deny it.

Now this composition has been adopted and accepted as a peace-music-peace, which the world world sing and perform also Muslims and Christians and Buddhists and

Listen to the original recording from 1970 by the original composer, Vladimir Vavilov, at Ave Maria Concert Festivals, November 2023.

WILLIAM GOMEZ

This young composer has created a warm Ave Maria, which is now penetrating the world of music. He is from El Salvador, and started piano at the age of 18 years old. Soon after he composed a melodic Ave Maria, which can be performed by solists and with orchestra.

RICCARDO COCCIANTE

Actually a pop-rock composer, who created a musical in which a prayer to Ave Maria is included. Speaking about how simplicity in music can more the core of audiences harts.

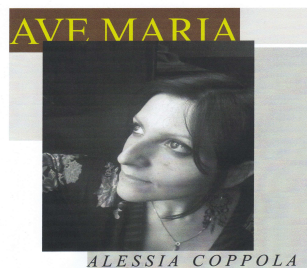
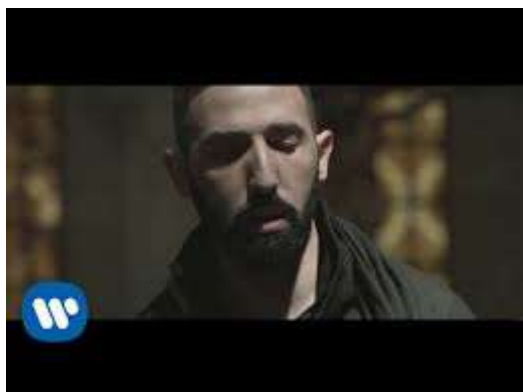
ANDREA BOCELLI

Ave Maria Pietas is a composition created by the famous singer, Andrea Bocelli. The grace of Andrea is transmitted through every internet cable, and is easily to join for an audience.

We have now selected a few composers, which we will present the 23. December, The Day Before The Day, so you can join.

We hope to be able to synchronize you with the whole world. And we are presently preparing to cover all of the month December with 4000 composers. Expand your mindsetting. Join. Listen or perform with us. Your balcony is a perfect stage.

See also Frans Liszt, Cesar Franck, Benny Moe, Morten Lauridsen, Ennio Morricone, Guisepe Verdi, etc., at out website with 4000 Ave Maria composers. www.avemariaconcertfestivals.net/COMPOSERS



AVE MARIA ARTISTS

While building the fundament of Ave Maria Concert Festivals we have presented many and various artists.

It grew more and more important to combine the very famous artists with the lesser know artists, who had created a perfect Ave Maria recording, audio recording or video recording.

We set no limit. Just a reasonable talent. And you can still find them on our website to inspire you to dig into the new family of Ave Maria. Every December.

We can mention

Luciano Pavarotti & Bono (U2), Dimarch, DiMario, NOA, Alessia Copola, Federica Caroppa, Silvia Balistreri, Zucchero, Beyoncé, Celine Dion, Bavarian, André Rieu, Patricia Janeckova, Merusia, Les Petits Chanteurs, Martin Hurkins, Stellenbosch University Choir, The Mormon Tabernacle Choir, Sissel Kyrkjebø, Lara Fabian, Nidarosdomens Jentekor, Charlotta Bach, Erik Hansen, Chanticleer, Robertino, Girls Choir Petropolis, Andrea Bocelli, Roberto Carlos, The Vatican Choir, Frank Sinatra, London Symphony Orchestra, Die Deutsche Kammerphilharmonie, Renée Fleming, Aida Garifullina, Christina Aguilam, Hauser, Elina Garanca, Kimi Scotta, Mireille Mathieu, Maria Callas, Demis Rousos, Placido Domingo, Jessye Norman, Matteo Bocelli, Il Volo, Kasis, Kings Return, Presentation School Choir, Escolania de Montserrat, and many more.

Please visit our website: www.avemariaconcertfestivals.net/AVE-MARIA-ARTISTS

We handpick artists directly from YouTube, and the reason is, that these presentations are copyright cleared by the producers, record labels, distributors, publishers, artists.

COPYRIGHTS

Be aware of the copyright issues.

If you arrange a concert with paying guests, some songs may be copyrighted, so you will have to pay a fee.

In your area, city, country, you have an organisations, which take care of that. Just be sure, that you do not end up with an unexpected bill. If you sing from your balcony and transmit, I assume there will be no problem, because then you are an influencer and promoter of the musical work.

But if you hire orchestra and earn an income then be sure that you do it okay and correct from the start.

Many songs are copyright free, and no risk to sing.

We mention some songs where copyright is free. Ave Maria by Schubert, Gounod, Mendelssohn, Johannes Brahms, W. A. Mozart ... more. Usually there are year restrictions saying that the song is free 70 years AFTER the composer has passed away.

Free copyright is given by N. Skipper to his Ave Maria, all instrumental presentation, however, the Italian lyrics have copyright to M.L. Reitberger.

The reason for the free releases is, the N. Skipper's melody was the gateway that enabled the whole Ave Maria Concert Festivals come to become a reality. Thus, N. Skipper donate the melody, so you can and may perform it on stages and television all over the world, without having to wait 70 years.

In return you may wish to invite N. Skipper to your program and event.

Mary/ Maria is the comfortable symbol of motherhood, maternity, children, nativity, peace, and human life. You, too, was born by a mother.



CREATE YOUR OWN CONCERTS

Every December it is possible for you to create your own concerts.

We hope you appreciate our efforts compiling and finding 4000 ancient and contemporary Ave Maria compositions, and it is now up to you to engage your city, your house block, your region to stage real concerts. Yes, you can earn money, and we hope you will be sure that your musicians benefit from your efforts. We also hope, you will donate the sur-plus earnings to the poor and the needed woman and children. Sell tickets and remember to donate to the poor.

We are sure, that your local radio and television stations will support you.

Create a new type of fame, and Ave Maria fame, each and every December.



The people in Italy has been in the forefront of balcony performance * Join the 23. December * Share the fun

THE BALCONY CONCERTS

During the devastating covid-19 pandemic the Italiens went to their balconies, and in order to encourage the hospital staffs and the victims people began to sing Ave Maria.

You should do the same each and every 23. December, The Day Before The Day.

Tune in on our websites, Facebook, Youtube channels.

Just join and synchronize with the whole world.

Show peace. Show aggressive people that we are 8 billion peaceful people. Any ruler cannot suppress his public, because then he no-one to rule. The ruler must follow us. The ruler must follow eight billion people, or else he will not be popular.



AVE MARIA LYRICS

Most of the Ave Maria lyrics are free on the internet.

Thus you can synchronize with friends by downloading the lyrics.

The basic text is like this:

Ave Maria, gratia plena,
Maria, gratia plena,
Maria, gratia plena,
Ave, Ave, Dominus,
Dominus tecum.
Benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus,
Et benedictus fructus ventris (tui),
Ventricis tui, Jesus.
Ave Maria!

Sancta Maria, Mater Dei,
Ora pro nobis peccatoribus,
Ora, ora pro nobis;
Ora, ora pro nobis peccatoribus,
Nunc et in hora mortis,
In hora mortis nostrae.
In hora, hora mortis nostrae,
In hora mortis nostrae.
Ave Maria

However, there are many variations and angle of views of celebrating Mary/ Maria.
Some describe her on the mountains, some in the neighbourhood, some the life by the time of birth.

www.avemariaconcertfestivals.net/LYRICS



4.3 billion world citizens cannot be mistaking *Ave Maria is a symbol of your own birth to this world.

AVE MARIA IN THE FUTURE

In the future you will have to get used to Ave Maria, because the whole world will dedicate attention to motherhood and children via Ave Maria.

Do remember that many children actually have lost their mother, and Ave Maria gives comfort to their soles. Thus bring happiness into the world. We are 8 billion citizens of the world, who are peaceful.

At our DONATION page you can find reliable organisations, who take care of women and children all over the world. Please donate directly to these organisations.



Presentation School Choir illustrates perfectly what you should do.
Lift your smartphone as a candlelight, point at yourself, and transmit while you are singing.

ORCHESTRAS & CHOIRS

Dedicate more time to learn about the ancient composers, and bring your public into the understanding of the timeline.

As far as we are concerned, the first melody Ave Maria was composed in 731 A.D. in Germany. Artist Sissel Kyrkebo perform an Ave Maria from around 900 A.D. titled Ave Maria Stella.

The focus on motherhood and child dates back to 330 A.D. and the city now known as Istanbul.

Your interpretations and renditions of Ave Maria can take any shape, depending on your audience, and how you feel.

Imagine you are 40 chamber singers or an orchestra. Place your smartphone in front of each and every member, and let them transmit to their private friends around the globe. Just stream it. Hold up your smartphone like a candlelight. Technology is with us now.

Imagine every is at home The Day Before The Day. Then place your smartphones in front of you and stream. And now it is possible to use Zoom program, totally free.

What an extraordinary opportunity you have to promote your ensemble.



AVE MARIA SHEET MUSIC

Imagine the basic research done by Geerts, an enthusiast digging and hunting down ancient music.

He has created an honorably World Heritage to become a reality, and he should get an Award for his persistence and courage to continue.

Sheet music is a tricky question, so Ave Maria Concert Festivals do not sell sheet music. You must search on the internet and pay the prices the providers demand.

Remember 4000 sheet music pieces and in various keys and settings, organ, choir, solo, etc.



AVE MARIA IN CHINA AND THE ORIENT

Ave Maria is recognized, and of course because everyone is born by a woman.

You may communicate with someone in China, if not this year then next year.

We have a sunshine story about Ave Maria, which we will share with you:

A Dutch baker, who baked for 32 years had an urge to sing. He went into the streets (after Ave Maria Concert Festivals had started up) and was beginning to perform as a street-singer, as a television producer passed him and beg him to join a program.

The program presentation was a success, and today the street-singing-baker is on the top shows in China.

In other words, do not hessitate to sing and perform on the street. One day the luck may strike you, and you go from zero to something.



A MIRACLE WITH ENTHUSIASTIC ITALIAN ARTIST MEETING INTERNATIONAL ARTISTS.

A NEW CONCEPT WAS TAKING SHAPE, AND THE FIRST CONCERT IS AVAILABLE BY RAI NEWS, WHEREBY YOU CAN SENCE THE STRENGH OF COMPOSERS LIKE GYLDMARK WHO HAD NEVER BEEN PERFORMED IN ITALY, AND NOW COMBINED WITH ANCIENT COMPOSERS LIKE FAURË, SCHUBERT, GOUNOD

THE ITALIANS WERE THRILLED OF THIS NEW APPROACH TO BRINGING ANCIENT COMPOSERS ALIVE INTO THE FUTURE, AND TO PROVIDE NEW OPPERTUNITIES FOR ORCHESTRAS AND CHOIRS AROUND THE WORLD

TO CREATE A CONCERT, N. SKIPPER SAYS, MUST BE SOLO AVE MARIA COMPOSITION AND A MINIMUM OF 7 SONGS

INTERPRET THEM WITH YOUR LANGUAGE AND NATIVE TONGUES, GENRES LIKE CLASSICAL, JAZZ, MODERN, ETC.

CREATE A NUEVO RENAISSANCE

AVE MARIA SHOULD BE FOR EVERYONE WHO CAN PROVE, THEY HAVE BEEN BORN BY A MOTHER.

HUMOUSLY N. SKIPPER SAYS; "IF YOU ARE NOT BORN BY A MOTHER, PLEASE GO TO THE CORNER OF THE ROOM, AND WAIT FOR US TO FINISH SINGING WITHIN 24 HOURS".

AVE MARIA IS HERE TO STAY FOR EVER AND EVER.

A DREAM HAS COME THROUGH



FAQ * QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Do I have to be a musician or professional singer to join?

No absolutely not. You just pick up your phone and listen or sing and transmit your voice the best you can to all of your friends and family. Make them push the button and transmit in a chain to their friends and family. Create a chain.

Do I have to have a religious belief or membership?

Absolutely not. Everyone born by a woman's womb should celebrate and give grace for the chance to have met this wonderful world with trees, mountains, lakes, sea. Be a Buddhist and join. Be a Koppke and join. Be and Orthodox and join. Be a Hindu and join. Be Islamic and join. Be a house-wife and join. Be an office executive and join. Be a waitress and join. Be a bus-driver and join. Be the one you are.

Is it possible to dance Ave Maria?

Yes. Join the Indian and African celebration of Ave Maria. They have unique expressions to celebrate and honor and pray to Mary/ Maria.

Can I buy merchandise, clothes, caps some place?

Yes. We have developed a platform, where we offer official Ave Maria Concert Festivals items and clothes. The things you order, are immediately sent to you wherever you want all over the world ... it takes maybe a few days.

Go to www.avemariaconcertfestivals.net/MERCHANDISE

Is Ave Maria suitable for Gospel choirs?

Certainly. Browse on our internet portal and discover gospel choirs creating Ave Maria extase with their selected Ave Maria. Remember, that the rendition and interpretation and instrumentation is free. You can express your feelings in your own way ... being classical, jazz, gospel, modern.



Ave Maria Concert Festivals linked up with some designers, who created special designs and unique merchandise, watches, shoes, baby clothing, bags, etc.

Take a look at www.avemariaconcertfestivals.net/MERCHANDISE

AVE MARIA CONCERT FESTIVALS

MUSIC EVERY DECEMBER