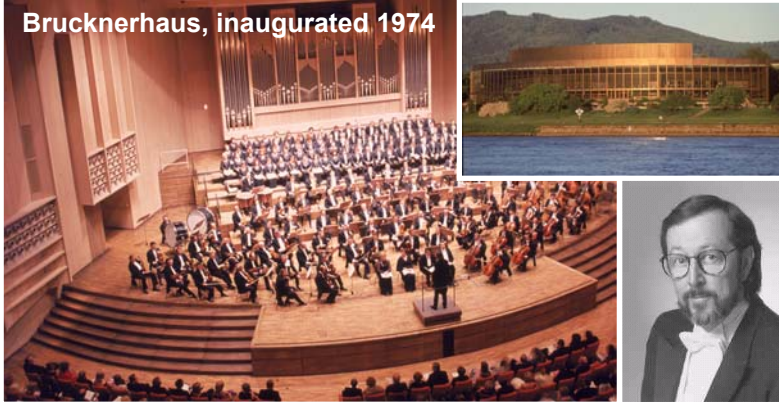


# **Linz Invitational Choral Festival**

June 10-14, 2003  
June 8-12, 2004

Brucknerhaus, inaugurated 1974



## **LINZ A TOUR** WITH A PURPOSE!

LINZ, Austria's third largest city is embedded in the beautiful Danube valley, surrounded by hills, baroque buildings and romantic inner courtyards, which characterize the city center. Linz offers a vast cultural cornucopia of musical and artistic events year round.

Linz Cultural Summer (June-August) features daily events from pop music and serenade concerts to summer theatre in arcade courtyards, castles, and public venues. It is the home of the International Bruckner Festival, the city's most famous son.

## **Kenneth Fulton - Conductor**

**Dr. Kenneth Fulton is the Artistic Director of the Linz Invitational Choral Festival.** He will conduct performances annually with the Linz Festival Chorus and Orchestra. He holds the Stephanie Landry Barineau Professorship of Choral Music at Louisiana State University and is Chorusmaster/Assistant Conductor for the Baton Rouge Symphony and Symphony Chorus. He has conducted major choral/orchestral masterworks by W.A. Mozart, Maurice Durufle, George Frederick Handel, J.S. Bach, Ralph Vaughan Williams, Leonard Bernstein, Anton Bruckner and others. He has held similar faculty positions at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos, Texas and the University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana, Illinois.

Internationally recognized as a conductor and clinician, Fulton has conducted invitational clinics, all-state, all-regional, and all-city festival choruses, conducting master classes, and conductor/teacher workshops in thirty-three different states. At the invitation of cultural

arts organizations, he has traveled to Israel, Russia, Scandinavia, Latvia, and Estonia to arrange future performances and workshop presentations.

Dr. Fulton's choruses have completed fourteen European tours with performances in many of the world's most prestigious and well-known performance venues including the famed Mozarteum in Salzburg, the Mendelssohn Hochschule in Leipzig, the Tarnow Cathedral, the home church of the Pope in Tarnow, Poland, and in the Vatican.

In all, Dr. Fulton's choruses have given eighteen invitational performances for national audiences of the American Choral Directors Association, the Music Educators National Conference, the College Music Society, the Sonneck Society, the American Society of University Composers, and the American Musicological Society. They have received invitations to perform in Russia, South America, Israel, and Bulgaria.

## **The Linz Invitational Choral Festival**

is dedicated to providing quality musical experiences as well as exciting opportunities for foreign travel and performance for outstanding American choruses. The festival is invitational. To secure an invitation, the chorus must provide the following by September 15, 2002.

### **HOW TO QUALIFY**

- A ten-twelve minute tape of the chorus in actual performance. The tape should contain a variety of musical styles and composers and should be recent performances of the choir.
- A set of programs from one recent school year.
- A brief resume of the chorus listing performances, contest ratings, and honors for the most recent school year.
- A brief resume of the conductor.

**Each selected chorus will receive an invitation to participate from the Mayor of Linz and the Artistic Director of the festival. Each selected chorus will participate some or all of the following:**

- Combined morning rehearsals during the week of the performance.
- Individual evening performances in and around the city of Linz.
- Combined performances with a professional orchestra in the famous Brucknerhaus Concert Hall in Linz.
- Afternoon tourist excursions in and around Linz.
- Tourist excursions and additional individual performances, as requested by the individual directors, prior to or following the Linz Choral Festival.

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