

Styriarte is Seeking Curators

Styriarte, the leading organiser of classical music events in the Austrian province of Styria, is expanding its artistic vision and invites 3–5 curators to join its Artistic Leadership Team. We are seeking creative voices from across classical music, early music, contemporary music, world music, popular music and everything in between.

Our ambition is to build long-term collaborations with curators who are eager to actively shape, refine, and further develop the artistic profile and identity of Styriarte's festivals and productions.

The initial focus of this role is the **development of innovative programme concepts** for the Styriarte Festivals 2027 and 2028 (2027: "The Fantastic", 2028: "The Singing of the Soul"). The concepts should be artistically distinctive, resonate with a **broad audience**, and demonstrate **clear potential for economic success**.

Should the proposed programme concepts be selected for realisation, the curator will also be responsible for their implementation. This work will be carried out in close collaboration with Styriarte's Commercial and Technical Management, the Artistic Operations Office, and the Communications Department - ensuring strong artistic quality and professional production standards.

What we are looking for:

Proven experience within national and/or international music scenes
A strong track record in developing compelling music programme concepts
A genuine passion for engaging and inspiring audiences
Excellent communication skills and a collaborative mindset
Willingness to travel to Graz and be present during production periods

What we offer:

Opportunity to join Styriarte at the earliest possible date
A freelance, fee-based contract
Competitive remuneration by individual agreement, depending on the scale of the project
The chance to work closely with one of Austria's most renowned music institutions and to help shape its future artistic direction

How to apply:

Please submit your application no later than 27 February 2026 by email to schellnegger@styriarte.com

Your application should include:

A short video introduction (3–5 minutes maximum), outlining your background and motivation
A current CV
Selected examples of representative programmes you have previously conceived and/or realised

Selection process

Applications will be reviewed by Styriarte's Artistic Leadership Team

Feedback will be provided by mid-March 2026

Selected candidates will be invited to an interview from mid-March onwards
(via Zoom or in person in Graz)

Contact for your application:

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Zeitplan Auswahlprozess:

Begutachtung der Bewerbung durch das Leitungsteam der Styriarte

Rückmeldung bis Mitte März 2026

Einladung zu einem Gespräch ab Mitte März (Zoom oder vor Ort in Graz)

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