

LUCERNE FESTIVAL is one of the world's most acclaimed festivals in the area of classical music. Every year three festivals are held: right before Easter, during the summer, and in November (LUCERNE FESTIVAL at the Piano). The KKL Luzern, which boasts a concert hall famous for its phenomenal acoustics, is the central venue for all three festivals. Its impressive acoustics are enhanced by the so-called echo chambers that are specifically positioned in accordance with each orchestra and work, thus enabling an incomparable musical experience — regardless of where the listener's seat is located. Brilliant concerts featuring international stars offer an elegant setting for conferences, meetings, or incentives, adding a special touch to your corporate event.

LUCERNE FESTIVAL at EASTER has been increasingly devoted to the choral and orchestral sacred music literature, thus making for an ideal mood in the Easter season. This festival takes place every year during the Passiontide period leading up to Easter, lasting nine days and traditionally concluding on Palm Sunday. In addition to the KKL concert hall, the performance venues are taking place more and more in Lucerne's churches, where guests can enjoy an abundance of contrasting architectural styles.



Choral concert in the Franciscan Church

Over a four-week period, LUCERNE FESTIVAL in SUMMER presents an array of programming that is so brilliantly far-ranging it would take a period of two to three years to encounter something similar in a world capital. The most famous orchestras, legendary conductors, and virtuoso soloists in the world gather together at this annual summit meeting of classical music. Along with nurturing the traditional repertoire, LUCERNE FESTIVAL plays a leading role in championing contemporary music as well as the next generation. The Summer Festival always takes place from mid-August to mid-September, and audiences can count on unforgettable musical experiences.



Symphony concert in the concert hall

LUCERNE FESTIVAL at the PIANO makes piano music come to life in all its aspects – from classics to the performance of contemporary works. In addition, the finest bars all over Lucerne become a Mecca for the art of improvisation and provide the backdrop for a diverse array of jazz performances. The Piano Festival, which takes place at the end of November and spans a week (bookended by two weekends), is the stage for venerated masters and the latest virtuosos.



Classical and contemporary music at the piano

Dates 2015

LUCERNE FESTIVAL at EASTER: 21 – 29 March 2015

LUCERNE FESTIVAL in SUMMER: 14 August – 13 September 2015

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