

June 18 at 8 p.m.

Martinikerk in Groningen

June 19 at 3 p.m.

Parish church in Heerenveen

June 25 at 8 p.m.

Koepelkerk in Veenhuizen

Chamber Choir Moderato Cantabile

conducted by Nana Tchikhashvili



Jubilee concert

Triptych

Chamber choir **Moderato Cantabile** was founded in 2001 by the current director Nana Tchikhashvili and has since built up a versatile and colorful repertoire. The choir was recently heard at the May 4 Memorial Concert in the Martinikerk and regularly performs in the north, but also beyond, including the Hermitage in Amsterdam and the Vatican in Rome. The repertoire is selected by the director, guided by the beauty of the music. The characteristic timbre of Moderato Cantabile is formed by a careful interplay of the different voices, thus revealing the soul of the choral work.

The choir is celebrating its 20th anniversary in June 2022 with three anniversary concerts under the name '**Triptych**' ('Drieluik', NL). The works from three composers are performed, with music that is special and sometimes mystical, carrying the listener to

other times and places. This versatility can be heard in the works *De Profundis*, *Salve Regina* and *Summa* by Arvo Pärt and several pieces from Zbigniew Preisner's *Requiem for My Friend*. Preisner wrote this impressive work at the untimely death of his good friend, Polish film director Krzysztof Kieślowski - it is also an ode to their deep friendship. The choir is proud to be the first to perform this work in the North Netherlands, but also proud to have Nana Tchikhashvili as vocalist. Nana is also a composer, and three of her works will be performed: *Deus Noster*, *Miserere Nobis*, *Pater Noster* and an arrangement of Preisner's *La Double Vie de Véronique*.

The choir is accompanied by an established organist and several young, talented musicians on violin, viola and cello.

Nana Tchikhashvili (conductor/composer/mezzo-soprano) was born and raised in Tbilisi, Georgia, where she studied choral direction at the State Conservatory. Her focus is mainly on the musical interpretation as a whole. With her special own style of conducting, also characterized by choir members as 'singing with hands' in combination with enthusiasm, perseverance and love for music, she achieves the timbre that reveals the soul of a piece of music.

PROGRAM

<i>Deus Noster</i>	N. Tchikhashvili / male choir (<i>a cappella</i>)
<i>Miserere Nobis</i>	N. Tchikhashvili / mixed choir (<i>a cappella</i>)
<i>Pater Noster</i>	N. Tchikhashvili / mixed choir (<i>a cappella</i>)
<i>De Profundis</i>	A. Pärt, arrangement N. Tchikhashvili / mixed choir (with organ)
<i>Salve Regina</i>	A. Pärt / mixed choir (with organ)
<i>My Heart is in the Highlands</i> Kleine	A. Pärt / male duet B. Busz, E. de (with organ)
<i>Summa</i>	A. Pärt (with strings)
<i>La Double Vie de Véronique</i>	N. Tchikhashvili, on a theme by Z. Preisner (with strings)

– PAUSE –

Parts from <i>Requiem for my friend</i> Z. Preisner	
<i>Officium</i>	mixed choir (<i>a cappella</i>)
<i>Kyrie</i>	mixed choir (with organ, solo violin)
<i>Dies Irae</i>	mixed choir (with organ)
<i>Offertorium</i>	women's choir (with organ, strings)
<i>Sanctus</i>	mixed choir (with organ, strings)
<i>Agnus Dei</i>	women's trio P. Kilian, G. Bakker, N. Tchikhashvili (with strings)
<i>Communio</i>	mixed choir (with solo violin)

Lacrimosa

mixed choir, solo N. Tchikhinashvili
(with organ, strings)

Meeting

mixed choir (with strings)

Postscriptum: Prayer

solo J. Bergsma (with strings)

The concert '**Triptych**' will be performed on Saturday, **June 18, 2022** at 8 p.m. in the **Martinikerk** in Groningen, Sunday, **June 19, 2022** in the Parish church in **Heerenveen** at 3 p.m. and on Saturday, **June 25, 2022** at 8 p.m. in the Koepelkerk in **Veenhuizen**.

Entrance fee: 20 EUR

For ticket reservations, contact moderatocantabile@gmail.com

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INSTRUMENTALISTS

Nino Natroshvili (violin)

Nouschka van Schaik (violin)

Ani Natroshvili (viola)

Eleanore Tan (cello)

Sjoerd Ruisch (organ)