
Oliver Waespi, composer

Oliver Waespi studied composition as well as conducting and film music at the Hochschule für Musik und Theater Zurich and completed his studies at the Royal Academy of Music in London. As a composer, he cultivates a variety of musical interests, which brings him together with performers in different fields. His music is performed by numerous renowned symphony orchestras, chamber ensembles, soloists, choirs, symphonic wind orchestras and brass bands all around the world.

His music was featured at the George Enescu-Festival, the Gstaad Menuhin Festival, the «Hear and Now»-concert series of the BBC, CBDNA Conferences, Swiss National Band Conventions, several WASBE World Conferences and European Brass Band Championships and many other concerts and festivals all around the world. In addition, Oliver Waespi regularly conducts workshops, works as a juror at music competitions and is a lecturer at the Berne University of the Arts.

For his music, Oliver Waespi received numerous awards, including the International George Enescu-Composition Prize in 2003, the London Fellowship awarded by the Landis&Gyr Cultural Foundation in 2005/2006, a prize at the 2009 Uuno Klami Composing Competition in Finland, composition grants of the Swiss Arts Council Pro Helvetia and the Dutch Eduard van Beinum Foundation, the 2011 Composition Prize of the Swiss Federation of Orchestras, the 2013 NBA Revelli Award in the USA, the 2014 Stephan Jaeggi-Preis or the 2015 International BUMA Brass Award in the Netherlands.