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Bach in Weimar Association
www.bachhausweimar.de

A New Bachhaus for Weimar

Dear musicians, dear colleagues, dear friends of Johann Sebastian Bach!

(...it well may be that not every musician believes in god... but...)

“**All** musicians believe in Bach” (Maurizio Kagel)

Almost all musicians know that Bach lived in Weimar.

Many musicians know that he composed great works in Weimar.

Only a few musicians know where he lived in Weimar – and how long: 1708-1717.

Are you aware that the last remaining structural evidence of any Bach residence worldwide is situated in Weimar?

Only this location – a unique, authentic “genius loci” – can proclaim:

Bach lived and *composed* here!

The original Renaissance vaulted cellar of Bach’s Weimar residence on the market square has been covered by a car park since 1990.

The Bach in Weimar Association endeavours

- to keep this location reserved for Bach
- to develop an attractive, “resounding Bach memorial” in this location through a new construction over the original vaulted cellar. The memorial building will be dedicated to the music of Johann Sebastian Bach and his life and work in Weimar as well as his sons, Wilhelm Friedemann and Carl Philipp Emanuel, who were born in this house
- to create a location that provides an exceptional Bach experience, open to all fans of J.S. Bach worldwide

The Bach in Weimar Association needs support from many voices to speak for the warranted interest in Bach’s former residence and the protection of this unique cultural treasure in order to produce a strong, sustainable effect during the cultural-political process.

“The loss of the remaining structural evidence of this site unique to music history would mean the loss of a piece of cultural identity. Weimar needs its *own* Bach memorial.” (Nikolaus Harnoncourt)

Therefore:

Bach in Weimar needs friends! Bach in Weimar needs partners!

Through this Initiative, we are searching for worldwide sponsorship from musicians and active friends of Bach, who will declare a clear “Yes” to Bach in this location.

We ask that you sign your declaration “For a New Bachhaus Weimar”

- **In order that we have strong voices, which help us to recognise Bach’s position here in Weimar, just as he deserves as one of the greatest composers and musicians in the world**
- **So that we can prove that a worldwide musician community stands behind Bach**



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My Declaration

- I accept ideal sponsorship for a “New Bachhaus Weimar”
- I advocate for the preservation of the single remaining authentic Bach residence in the world.
- I advocate for a Weimar Bach memorial on this site to be appropriately dedicated to the music of Bach and his Weimar sons.
- I agree to my name being mentioned in connection with my Declaration “pro Bach”.

Location, Date

Signature

Address / Email (optional)

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The following space has been reserved for your personal views and encouragement:

PS: Highlights of the Association’s activities in 2008: BACH BIENNALE WEIMAR (Patronage: Nikolaus Harnoncourt) from July 11-13, 2008 – www.bachbiennaleweimar.de