

"We Enjoy The Heavenly Pleasures"



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performed by Werner Mössler, Markus Pol, Markus Rupert, Rita Luksch in costumes and objects of the visual artist Burgis Paier, music performed by the "arbos-ensemble" directed by Herbert Gantschacher

> PREMIERE: Friday 24th of January 2025, at 21.30 pm Second Performance: Saturday 25th of January 2025, at 21.30 pm

<u>Tickets:</u> 29,- € reduced 23,- € Youth (till 18 years) 12,- € Youth with Youthcrd of the City of Villach €8,- € Culturepassport 10,- €and reduced prize for a group of adults starting with 10 persons.

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Translated into the Austrian Sign Language by Werner Mössler

Sign Language Coaches: Werner Mössler and Sabine Zeller

Performed by: Werner Mössler (deaf actor), Markus Pol (actor, singer, speaker, performer in the Lorm-Communication for Deafblind and in Austrian Sign Language as a CoDA - Child of Deaf Adult), Markus Rupert (actor, speaker, singer und Visual Sign Language) and Rita Luksch (actress, speaker, singer and Visual Sign Language). Music performed by the arbos-ensemble (Violin: Thomas Trsek; Accordion: Bojana Foinidis; Clarinet, Bass-Clarinet and Saxophone: Nicola Vitale; Percussion: Adi Schober).

In the second half of the twentieth century, music happenings became part of the music programs of the new music as "performing music." The sources and roots of these music programs, however, are much older in music history and are only partially known to science, like the musical events that influenced Gustav Mahler's compositional style in the form of happenings and aleatoric music. And these musical ideas for Gustav Mahler go back to a long walk in the summer of 1900 from Mayernigg on the Lake Wörthersee to the Klagenfurt Kreuzbergl with the concertmaster of the Vienna Philharmonic, Arnold Rosé, and the musician Natalie Bauer-Lechner. The whole thing is reminiscent of a music happening, as conceived by the composer John Cage in the 1960s and 1970s.

Based on Gustav Mahler's musical visions and the musical concepts of John Cage, a visual music theatre work has been now created from Gustav Mahler's fourth symphony under the title "We Enjoy The Heavenly Pleasures", which also incorporates the Austrian Sign Language of the Deaf into the artistic musical work. The National Socialist music ideology declared Mahler's music to be a degenerate music, and disabled people were classified by National Socialist ideology as live-unworthy for living.



The text arrangement of the composer Werner Raditschnig for "We Enjoy The Heavenly Pleasures", a piece of Visual Music Theatre with citations from the "IVth Symphony" composed by Gustav Mahler for chamber orchestra for violin, bass clarinet, accordion, percussion, voice (baritone) and voice choir and sign language choir. The score is written in German and English.

1

Voice: Die Natur - der Rhythmus des Lebens. Die Natur - the rhythm of life

Stopp - die Natur ist nicht wie eine Maschine, es gibt verschiedene

Rhythmen - gleichzeitig!

Choir: Ahh -!

Voice: dort - und da! - und hier ... zuviel Pferd ... Zum Beispiel 'Der Wald'

2

Voice: Die Hügel

Die Wiese Der See

3

Choir: Der Tanz

Voice: This is the rhythm of life ... this is a powerful beat

4

Voice: Wir genießen die Freuden in sanfter Ruh



5

Voice: Ein Leben in freier Natur

frei wir tanzen springen hüpfen singen singen

6

Voice: Kein Musik ist ja auf Erden ... die unser verglichen kann werden

ha - Kein Musik ist ja nicht auf Erden ... die unsrer verglichen kann werden

7

Voice: Mila und Hedy tanzen ganz frei ... Elsa Grete Berta lacht

die englischen Stimmen ermuntern die Sinne

Choir: you live it or lie it Voice: you live it or lie it

das alles für Freuden für Freuden er macht

Peter, der Fischer Johann der Winzer Martha, die Köchin

Ursula, Zenzi

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Voice: Bevor es Völker gab, gab es Menschen

Bevor es Haß gab, gab es Liebe Bevor es Krieg gab, gab es Frieden

Bevor es Unrecht gab, gab es nur Recht - Nur Recht

Recht