Cellists' Corner Brief Career Details of Important Cellists

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GÖTZ TEUTSCH

cellist, orchestra principal cello (Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra) - member of 'The 12 Cellists of the Berlin Philharmonic'

Born: 1941 - Sibiu, Transylvania, Rumania

He studied with Dimitrie Gheorghe Dinicu (1898–1964) and with Radu Aldulescu at the "Ciprian Porumbescu" Conservatoire, which later became the National Music University of Bucharest. He also studied with Enrico Mainardi and Karl Richter.

The Bucharest Radio Symphony Orchestra chose him as principal cellist in the 1960s. He has been a member of the Berlin Philharmonic since 1970, including two decades as solo cellist under the chief conductors Herbert von Karajan and Claudio Abbado. Götz Teutsch is one of the founding members of the twelve cellists of the Berlin Philharmonic; he has performed worldwide as a chamber musician and soloist. He has also dealt extensively with the performance practice of early music and studied the viola da gamba.

He left the Philharmoniker and (as the last founding member of the 12 cellists) at the beginning of the 2006/2007 season. However, with 45 programmes to date, he has been designing the Philharmonic series in the chamber music hall of the Berlin Philharmonic in the Kulturforum Berlin since 2000.

Last year (2022) he received the Order of Culture Merit from Romania's government, and made an Honorary citizen of Sibiu.

He is married to the Salzburg pianist Cordelia Höfer-Teutsch.



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