

MALAGA PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA / SEASON 2022-23



Teatro Cervantes

thursday **30** march 20.00 h
friday **31** march 20.00 h

Ticket sale 01/09/2022
Prices A **36€** B **27€** C **20€** D **12€**
Usual discounts apply

Holy Week. A. DVORÁK

Conductor JOSE MARIA MORENO

Stabat Mater, Op.58, Antonin Dvorák

Berna Perles soprano

Karina Demurova mezzo-soprano

Mateus Pompeu tenor

Damián del Castillo baritone

Coro de Opera de Málaga

Choir conductor María del Mar Muñoz Varo

1.15 h (w/out intermission)

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Program notes Jose Antonio Canton

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Stabat Mater, Op.58 is an oratorio for soloists, choir and orchestra that evidences the extraordinary melodic and harmonic talent of the Czech composer Antonín Dvorák. It was composed between 1876 and 1877, years in which the composer's three young children died. The feeling of loss is often considered to have been the musician's main reason to write a piece of such profound religious sense. It originally had seven movements in its draft for piano, which later increased to ten in the final version. It is based on the pious hymn of Pope Innocent III, in turn inspired by a 13th century poetic prayer attributed to the Franciscan brother Jacopone da Todi, which consists of a meditation on the suffering of Mary during the crucifixion of her son Jesus Christ. It premiered with great success on the 23rd of December, 1880, at the Prague National Theatre. Dedicated to the Prague Music Society, it was published the year after in Berlin by the publisher Simrock. The orchestration consists of a pair of each woodwind instrument, plus an English horn, four French horns, two trumpets, three trombones, a tuba, an organ or harmonium, timpani and a complete string section.