

## MIGUEL HARTH-BEDOYA

Grammy-nominated and Emmy Award-winning conductor Miguel Harth-Bedoya has recently been appointed as Chief Conductor of the Norwegian Radio Orchestra, a post that begins in the 2013/14 season. Currently in his twelfth season as Music Director of the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra, he is also the Founder and Artistic Director of Caminos del Inka, Inc., a non-profit organization dedicated to performing and promoting the music of the Americas.

Inspired by the ancient melodies of the Inca Trail, Mr. Harth-Bedoya created Caminos del Inka as a modern-day laboratory to discover, perform and promote the rich musical legacy of the Americas through research, new commissions and educational projects, as well as orchestral and chamber music performances.

Presenters of Caminos del Inka concerts include the Chicago Symphony, The Philadelphia Orchestra, Seattle Symphony, the Boston Symphony at Tanglewood, Residentie Orchestra in The Hague, Orquesta Sinfónica de Chile, KohoBeat in Helsinki, Leipzig Radio Orchestra, Oregon Bach Festival, Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra, and Texas Christian University.

Miguel Harth-Bedoya has appeared numerous times with most of the major orchestras in the United States. Recent engagements include the Atlanta Symphony, Boston Symphony, Los Angeles Philharmonic, The Philadelphia Orchestra and the Toronto Symphony. Worldwide, he has appeared with the Helsinki Philharmonic, Royal Scottish Orchestra, Orquesta Sinfónica de Castilla y León in Valladolid, National Orchestra of Spain, MDR Orchestra in Leipzig, Dresden Philharmonic, Orchestre de la Suisse Romande and the Sydney Symphony. In November 2010, Mr. Harth-Bedoya joined soprano Renée Fleming for a tour of performances with five Scandinavian orchestras, including the Norwegian Radio Orchestra, Royal Stockholm Philharmonic and the Danish National Symphony Orchestra. Equally at home in the theater, he has conducted productions with the Canadian Opera Company, Minnesota Opera, Santa Fe Opera, Cincinnati Opera, and the English National Opera in London.

An active recording artist, Mr. Harth-Bedoya's recordings include Traditions and Transformations: Sounds of Silk Road Chicago with the Chicago Symphony and Yo-Yo Ma, which was nominated for Grammy awards in two categories in 2009. In December 2011, Deutsche Grammophon released Nazareno, a highly acclaimed recording of music by Osvaldo Golijov with the Orquesta Sinfónica de Castilla y León with pianists Katia and Marielle Labèque. Kultur released a DVD of Puccini's La Bohème, performed at the English National Opera in London, directed by Jonathan Miller and conducted by Mr. Harth-Bedoya during the winter of 2009. With the Fort Worth Symphony, he has recorded Sentimiento Latino with tenor Juan Diego Flórez (for Decca), as well as an all-Tchaikovsky CD and a world-premiere bilingual recording of Prokofiev's Peter and the Wolf, featuring narrations in Spanish and English with Michael York. In June, 2012, he and the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra released Take Six, a two-CD recording featuring music by the orchestra's impressive roster of Composers-in-Residence, including Jennifer Higdon and Kevin Puts.



A champion of new music, Mr. Harth-Bedoya has conducted many world premiers both in Fort Worth and elsewhere. In 2012/2013, he will direct the celebration of the FWSO's Centennial Season, which will include a world-premiere of a work by Jimmy López and a new recording with works of the FWSO's previous composers in residence: Jennifer Higdon, Kevin Puts, Gabriela Frank, Behzad Ranjbaran, Peter Boyer, and John B. Hedges.

Winner of the 2002 Seaver/NEA Conductors Award, Miguel Harth-Bedoya has also served as Music Director of the Auckland Philharmonia in New Zealand, Eugene Symphony Orchestra in Oregon, Lima Philharmonic in Peru, and the New York Youth Symphony at Carnegie Hall. Born and raised in Peru, he received a Bachelor's degree from The Juilliard School, and a Master's degree from the Curtis Institute of Music. He has studied with Seiji Ozawa, Gustav Meier, and Otto-Werner Mueller.

Mr. Harth-Bedoya currently makes his home in Fort Worth with his wife Maritza and their three children, Elena, Emilio, and Elisa.

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"He made the symphony soar...There is plenty of reason in this town to import Harth-Bedoya's passions, especially given how impressive he's become."

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