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PRESS RELEASE

18 DAYS, 50,000 TICKETS: VERBIER FESTIVAL CLOSES A RECORD-BREAKING EDITION AND RENEWS ITS SHENZHEN PARTNERSHIP

2 August 2026 – VERBIER (Switzerland) – The 33rd edition of the Verbier Festival draws to a close this evening after 18 days of music at the highest level. The quality and diversity of the 2026 programme were unanimously praised by a sharply growing audience, who came to attend the 236 concerts and events on offer this summer.

Verbier Festival continues its growth trajectory with record box office revenue since the event's founding: 27 concerts sold out (12 at the Salle des Combins and 15 at the Église). More than 50,000 tickets were issued over the course of this edition.

The Academy also enjoyed tremendous success, with around a hundred free masterclasses proving hugely popular with the public (70% were full). UNLTD likewise won over many new audiences with 40 events staged across various venues in Verbier and outdoors. VF KIDS, meanwhile, offered 32 activities for young audiences, complementing the workshops run throughout the season in partnership with schools across Valais.

“Our ambition to create an exclusive musical immersion at the heart of the Swiss Alps continues to be met with a response from the public that warms our hearts. Thank you to all the extraordinary artists who dazzled us throughout the Festival, and our deepest gratitude to everyone who makes it possible for us to fulfil our mission: sharing the power and beauty of music with rigour and generosity.

The success of this 33rd edition encourages us to champion our values of excellence and transmission with ever greater creativity. The growth of our winter Festival in Shenzhen (China) is a wonderful example of this, as are the upcoming tours by the Verbier Festival Chamber Orchestra to Japan, Europe and the United States.

A heartfelt thank you to the audiences who travel from all over the world to be part of the Verbier Festival community,” said François Reyl, President of the Foundation Board, Martin T:son Engstroem and Hervé Boissière, Co-Artistic and Executive Directors.

UPCOMING DATES

Verbier Festival @ Schloss Elmau: 21 – 28 November 2026

Shenzhen Verbier Festival: 9 – 18 February 2027

34th edition of the Verbier Festival : from 15 July to 1 August 2027, in Verbier (Switzerland)

A FIRST LOOK AT THE 34TH EDITION'S ARTISTS

Martha Argerich, Béjart Ballet Lausanne, Gautier Capuçon, Jacob Collier, Teodor Currentzis, Alexandra Dovgan, Quatuor Ébène, Martin Fröst, James Gaffigan, Daniele Gatti, Augustin Hadelich, Daniel Harding, Janine Jansen, Leonidas Kavakos, Evgeny Kissin, Magdalena Kožená, Yunchan Lim, Nikolai Lugansky, Mischa Maisky, Klaus Mäkelä, Karita Mattila, Brad Mehldau, Simon Rattle, András Schiff, Lahav Shani, Gábor Takács-Nagy, Antoine Tamestit, Daniil Trifonov, Nobuyuki Tsujii, Maxim Vengerov, Yuja Wang, Sonya Yoncheva...

The 33rd edition of the Verbier Festival took place from July 16 to August 2, 2026 in Verbier (Switzerland). It was made possible thanks to the essential support of all its public and private partners: public institutions, including the Commune of Val de Bagnes, Loterie Romande and the Canton of Valais, Banque REYL Intesa Sanpaolo as Principal Sponsor, as well as all sponsors, foundations, patrons and The Friends of the Verbier Festival.

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