

Martin Mans (1965)

The organist Martin Mans started playing at the age of seven. At the early age of 14 he won various youth concours and as a result he performed on the radio. At the age of 12 he was appointed as a church organist in his home town Melissant on the island Goeree-Overflakkee. Since 1995 he has been church organist in the Breepleinkerk in Rotterdam. In his profession as conductor and organist he recorded or cooperated in more than 500 CD-recordings. Very famous are his own series with organ improvisations. The organist was rewarded a golden CD for his number 1 improvisations which only seldom occurs in this specific music style. Later on he even received a platinum award for accompanying the Holland Boys Choir on the Christmas Carol CD. Martin Mans released different DVD's varying from organ recordings to a live concert in the St Eustache cathedral in Paris together with the famous pianist Jan Vayne.

On a yearly basis Martin Mans performs in about 250 concerts. His organs concerts are famous and well-visited in the Netherlands as well as abroad. Internationally he has toured South Africa, Canada, America and Australia. Since 2005 Martin has joined with pianist Jan Vayne to perform duet concerts. Jan Vayne was acclaimed as genius following his performance during the inauguration of the former President of the USA, Bill Clinton. Their double act concerts are an indisputable phenomenon in the Netherlands.

On top of the above Martin Mans is conductor of three male choirs, one mixed choir and two male ensembles. In 2012 he started a male choir in Ontario Canada, called Libertas, which performed in the Netherlands during the celebration of 70 years liberation.

Finally Martin Mans writes music and arranges choir music which is published at various Dutch publishers.

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