

## Philippe Schartz Dip RCM ARCM

Born in Luxembourg, Philippe Schartz developed an early interest in the trumpet from listening to his father play in the village wind band. His passion was cultivated by his teachers who have included Dino Tomba, a great friend and mentor. He continued his studies at the Royal College of Music in London with the late David Mason, and then was invited to join the Special Student programme at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York. A winner of many prizes and awards, he has developed a highly successful career as an orchestral and a chamber musician as well as a soloist, performing all over Europe, the USA, and Japan.

As a member and Principal Trumpet of the Gustav Mahler Youth Orchestra, founding Principal Trumpet of the Mahler Chamber Orchestra until the summer of 2002, and, Section Principal Trumpet of the BBC National Orchestra of Wales since 1998, he has performed to much critical acclaim under conductors such as Claudio Abbado, Pierre Boulez, and Bernard Haitink. Also in 2009 until 2019 he was appointed Principal Trumpet of the Solistes Européens, Luxembourg.

Philippe has been broadcast on the BBC and numerous European radio and television networks, in addition to issuing ten solo CDs. An enthusiastic member of the teaching staff at the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama, Philippe Schartz has given many master-classes and educational workshops worldwide with regular visits to major Universities and Music Conservatoires in the UK and overseas. He made his BBC Proms debut as a soloist in 2011 and is a Europe and UK Yamaha Trumpet artist.