## Biography

## **Gianluca Capuano- conductor**

Born in Milan, he graduated in organ, composition and conducting from the Conservatory of his city. He then specialized in early music at the "Scuola Civica" in Milan. Gianluca Capuano also graduated with honors in theoretical philosophy from the University of Milan.

He is organist on the Ahrend Organ in the church of San Simpliciano, Milan.

He is the artistic director of the Festival "Musica negli Horti" and in 2006 he founded the period instrument and vocal ensemble "Il canto di Orfeo".

Mr. Capuano performed as a soloist and conductor throughout Europe, the United States, Russia and Japan.

Particularly appreciated in the baroque and classical repertoire, his engagements included: Hasse's *Leucippo* in Cologne with Concerto Köln; Händel's *Orlando* at Semperoper in Dresden; Gluck's *Orfeo ed Euridice* with the Orchestra Arpeggione in Austria; Haydn's *Orlando Paladino* at Opera Zurich. Gianluca Capuano has recently conducted a staged production *Norma* with Cecilia Bartoli in the title role for the opening night of the Edinburgh Festival, at the Festspielhaus in Baden- Baden at the Théâtre des Champs Elysées in Paris, Vivaldi's *Catone in Utica* (concert version) with Concerto Köln in Cologne and a new production of *Così fan tutte* with OperaLombardia on tour in Italy.

Plans include: *La Cenerentola* with Cecilia Bartoli at the Opéra in Monte Carlo then on tour in Dortmund, Hamburg, Amsterdam, Martigny, Versailles, Luxembourg; La Clemenza di Tito in Karlsruhe; Mozart's *Idomeneo* in the production by Damiano Michieletto at the Maggio Musicale Fiorentino; *Pigmalione/Che Originali!* at the Festival Donizetti in Bergamo; Mozart's *La finta giardiniera* at Opera Zurich for the 2018/2019 season; symphonic concerts with I Pomeriggi Musicali Orchestra in Milan and the orchestras of the Maggio Musicale Fiorentino, Theater Kiel and Opéra national de Montpellier. He will also take part in a concerts tour in Europe with Cecilia Bartoli and the new ensemble Les Musiciens du Prince.

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