

ARTIST BIOGRAPHY

Steffan Morris

Cello

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Welsh cellist **Steffan Morris** is quickly making a name for himself as one of the finest cellists of his generation. Much in demand as a soloist, chamber and orchestral player, he enjoys a very varied career.

At 13 years old, Steffan started studying at the Yehudi Menuhin School in Surrey with distinguished cellist, Thomas Carroll. While a student there he performed as a soloist at many notable venues such as St David's Hall and Wales Millennium Centre in Cardiff, Wigmore Hall and the Royal Albert Hall in London.

At 17 years old, Steffan won the Texaco Young Musician of Wales.

In 2010, Steffan moved to Vienna to study the cello under the prestigious tutor Professor Heinrich Schiff at the University of Music and Performing Arts. He is the youngest ever guest principal cello with the Vienna Chamber Orchestra and has also been guest principal cello with the London Philharmonic Orchestra, BBC National Orchestra of Wales and the Royal Northern Sinfonia.

As a soloist Steffan has performed with Sinfonia Cymru, The Cardiff Philharmonic Orchestra, The Guildford Philharmonic Orchestra amongst others. His concert and recital engagements have taken him to Japan, Holland, Germany, Italy, Russia and Austria.

Steffan is Artistic Director of the Nidum Ensemble - a dynamic, diverse and innovative group of young professional musicians who are passionate about bringing chamber music to audiences across the UK. He is also a member of the Marmen Quartet, a group that has enjoyed collaborations with Ensemble 360 and the Sacconi Quartet, a two week residency with Aldeburgh Music and live appearances on 'Swedish Radio' and 'BBC In Tune'. 2016/17 will see recitals across the UK and a reprise of last season's exhilarating performance of the Mendelssohn Octet together with the Sacconi Quartet.

Steffan lives in London and is a professor at the Yehudi Menuhin School.

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