



Oslo Sinfonietta, Norway's oldest running contemporary ensemble, was established by the Norwegian composer Asbjørn Schaathun in 1986. The ensemble is under the leadership of Christian Eggen, who is artistic director and chief conductor. Oslo Sinfonietta comprises leading freelance musicians and members from some of Norway's most prominent orchestras, including The Oslo Philharmonic Orchestra, The Norwegian Opera and Ballet Orchestra, The Norwegian Chamber Orchestra and The Norwegian Radio Orchestra. This ensures that the ensemble has the quality and flexibility that modern repertoire demands.

Among Oslo Sinfonietta's numerous recordings is Simon Steen-Andersen's *Black Box Music* which in 2014 was awarded the prestigious Nordic Music Prize as well as being nominated to Spellemannprisen, Norway's equivalent of a Grammy, for the DVD recording of the work.

Oslo Sinfonietta performs regularly at Norwegian and international festivals. Highlights include appearances at The Casa da Música Festival in Porto, The Présence Festival in Paris and The Venice Biennale.

In 2015 Oslo Sinfonietta was awarded the Norwegian Critics Prize for the project *Lachenmann!*

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