## JUAN PABLO IZQUIERDO CONDUCTOR

Juan Pablo Izquierdo was born in Santiago de Chile. After graduating in Composition at the University of Chile he became a pupil of Hermann Scherchen with whom he studied for three years in Gravesano, Switzerland.

In 1961 he became Director of the Music Departament at the Catholic University of Santiago where he organized and conducted concert and opera series dedicated to the classical and contemporary music. For this work he was given in 1962 the National Critics Award. Since then he appears as conductor with the National Symphony and Philharmonic Orchestra of Chile.

In 1966 he was awarded the First Prize in the Dimitri Mitropoulos International Competition for Conductors and became Leonard Bernstein's Assistant Conductor at the New York Philharmonic Orchestra. During 1967-70 he was Resident Conductor for Opera and Concerts at Indiana University.

His first European appearance was in Holland with the Residence Orchestra in 1969, and since then he has been active as an international conductor. In 1976-77 he was Chief Conductor of the Gulbenkian Orchestra in Lisbon. Since 1974 he has been the Conductor of the Testimonium Festival at Tel-Aviv and Jerusalem. In 1976 he received the performance award of the Israel Council for Culture and the Arts.

From 1982 to 1986 was Chief Conductor of the Santiago Philharmonic Orchestra.

Mr. Izquierdo appears regulary as a guest conductor with orchestras such as:

Bavarian Radio, Hamburg Radio, Frankfurt Radio, Berlin Radio, Vienna Symphony, New Philharmonic Orchestra Radio France, National Orchestra of France, Leipzig Radio Orchestra, Dresden Philharmonic, Warsaw Philharmonic, Brussels Radio, Ensemble Intercontemporain of Paris, BBC Glasgow. National and Radio TV Orchestras of Spain, Holland Radio Philharmonic Orchestra, Jerusalem Symphony, Israel Chamber Orchestra, among others.

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