

# OTHMAR MÜLLER



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## Violoncello

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## Biography

As a founding member of the **Artis-Quartet Vienna**, Othmar Müller performs on the most important stages of the music world since 1980.

He appeared with the quartet in venues like Carnegie Hall New York, Teatro Colon Buenos Aires, Wigmore Hall London, Philharmonie Berlin, Suntory Hall Tokyo and of course in the quartets basis, the Musikverein Vienna, where they play their own series of concerts since 1988.

In recent years Othmar Müller started to perform as a soloist in recitals and with orchestra.

Besides recitals in Europe and the US, he gave **first performances** of works by Gottfried von Einem, Holmer Becker, Herwig Reiter (Celloconcerto at the Berlin Konzerthaus with the WJO under Herbert Böck in 2001) and presented the rediscovered sonata by Alexander Zemlinsky at the Musikverein in October 2006 to an enthusiastic audience.

His **recordings** of sonatas by Zemlinsky-pupils (Weigl, Webern & Müller-Hermann) will be released on the NIMBUS label December 2006, his recording of the Zemlinsky sonata on NAXOS late 2007.

Since 2005 he is the **conductor** of the Camerata of the Allegro-Vivo Summer Festival.

His **instrument** is a cello by Andrea Amati (1573), on loan by the Austrian National Bank.

## Press

Müllers instrument sounded velvety and sweet like italian hot chocolate. The high point was Zemlinsky's sonata - also in terms of interpretation. An event. (*Wiener Zeitung*)

Othmar Müller performed the "Musik für Solo-Cello" with dedication and brilliance. (*Die Presse*)

'A Milestone'  
Othmar Müller surpassed the outstanding quality of other evenings by far. (*NÖN*)

The soloist Othmar Müller was strongly challenged in his technique: the virtuoso chased all over the fingerboard in a breathtaking stretta. (*Berliner Morgenpost*)

## Repertoire

### Concertos

**Luigi Boccherini** Concerto B flat-Major (Grützm.)  
**Johannes Brahms** Double Concerto  
**Antonin Dvorak** b-minor  
**Joseph Haydn** C-Major & D-Major  
**Paul Hindemith** Cello Concerto (1930)  
**Edouard Lalo** Cello Concerto  
**Erich Wolfgang Korngold** Cello Concerto  
**Karl Weigl** Cello Concerto (1923)  
**Herbert Willi** (\*1956) "Il combattimento..."

### Recitals-solo

**J.S. Bach** Suites 1,2,3 & 6  
**Holmer Becker** Sonata for Cello solo (2005)  
**Gottfried v. Einem** "Musik für Solo-Cello" (1994)  
**Ivan Eröd** Hommage á Beethoven (1977)  
**Max Reger** Suite d-minor op.131c/2

### Recitals-with piano

**Ludwig van Beethoven** all Sonatas  
**Johannes Brahms** Sonatas e-minor & F-Major  
**Gottfried von Einem** Cello Sonata (1986)  
**Felix Mendelssohn** Sonatas b flat-minor & D-major  
**Sergei Rachmaninoff** Cello Sonata  
**Robert Schumann** all works for Cello & Piano  
**Dimitri Shostakovich** Cello Sonata  
**Richard Strauss** Cello Sonata  
**Igor Strawinsky** Suite Italienne  
**Anton Webern** all works for cello & piano  
**Karl Weigl** Cello Sonata (1923)  
**Alexander Zemlinsky** Cello Sonata (1894)  
and many more.