

Florian Maierl

Born in 1985 in Leoben (Styria), Florian Maierl received his first lessons in choral conducting at the age of 15 from Welfhard Lauber. He continued his studies at the Vienna University for Music and Performing Arts (Church music: Erwin Ortner, Voice and Vocal Pedagogy: Julia Bauer-Huppmann) and at the prestigious Sibelius Academy in Helsinki, Finland (Choral Conducting: Matti Hyökki, Composition: Tapani Länsiö) during a year abroad. In 2011 Maierl graduated in church music with honours.

Florian Maierl has worked as an artistic assistant with different choirs (e.g. Wiener Singakademie and Gumpoldskirchner Spatzen). He is the founder and choirmaster of the mixed choir *coro siamo*, which has been awarded the title "Austria's best choir" at the ORF choir competition "Österreich singt!" (Austria sings!) in 2014. In addition, Maierl is head of church music at the Vienna Votivkirche and teaches at the Vienna Diocesan Conservatory for Church Music. Since 2015, he is the artistic director of Chorus Viennensis (male choir of former members of the Vienna Boys' Choir).

Compositions and settings by Florian Maierl have been performed and recorded by the Vienna Chamber Choir, Chorus sine nomine, the University of Music Graz Chamber Choir, and the LALÁ Ensemble.