

**Danya Segal** | recorder and artistic director

The examination of 17th and 18th century music, its repertoire, instruments, affects and performance practices is one of the most innovative processes in the entire music world. Intensive work on scores by composers from Monteverdi to Mozart has radically altered our view of the music, its interpretation and its presentation.

Musica Alta Ripa forms a substantial part of this movement. The ensemble has committed itself since its foundation to the exploration of historical performance practices, researched the repertoire appropriate to them and, most of all, made great music accessible to audiences at countless concerts. With a constant formation, MUSICA ALTA RIPA is an integral part of the Early Music scene. World tours, concerts at famous venues, CD releases that have received the Cannes Classical Award, Diapason d'Or and three ECHO Klassik prizes, all document the ensemble's exceptional artistic level. Musica Alta Ripa is a recipient of the Praetorius Music Prize awarded by the Land of Lower Saxony.

Musical trademarks of Musica Alta Ripa are its lush sound and the emotional richness of its interpretations. New projects, often with scenic elements and light art, demonstrate the breadth of the ensemble's repertoire and the imagination of its concepts.

In 2017, Danya Segal and the ensemble staged the intercultural concert "Virgin - Queen - Goddess, Perspectives on the mother in Baroque arias and Arabic songs" featuring the singers Nuria Rial and Dima Orsho with outstanding musicians from Orient and Occident. In May 2019 a recording of the project was released on the label Sony Music (DHM) with the title "Mother - Baroque Arias and Arabic Songs".

Pursuing their work with music from Orient and Occident they successfully staged the project "METAMORPHOSIS: the summer, the night - Vivaldi and music from the Orient" and the production "SONGS OF LOVE - Henry Purcell and Music from Arabia". The newest program „NOURUZ“, combines works by Bach with Kurdish dances.