

# MOZART 2006 250th ANNIVERSARY

## AUSTRIA 2006 HAPPY BIRTHDAY MOZART!



27 January 2006

Today marks the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, the most renowned Austrian of all time.

The big birthday bash starts right at home: in Salzburg, the town where our 'Wolfie' was born, and in Vienna, where he spent the last ten years of his life, as well as many other parts of Austria that played a role in his musical career.

A pop star during his own lifetime, Mozart is the epitome of a musical genius, his prolific career producing 626 works, the first when aged five, and the last on his deathbed.

There will be literally thousands of events up until 5<sup>th</sup> December, the anniversary of his death, dedicated to his work and life, to suit all tastes and budgets.

Visitors can take in a concert at a range of free open air events, visit a variety of exhibitions, take a tour in the footsteps of Mozart or simply soak up the atmosphere at their leisure.

Austria is looking forward to celebrating this year long birthday party with guests from all around the globe - because his music does not belong to one country, but to the world.

For more information on the Mozart Year 2006 please visit - [www.austria.info/au](http://www.austria.info/au).

## MOZART YEAR 2006 HIGHLIGHTS

### SALZBURG

Mozart's town of birth will be hosting an array of events to celebrate the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their most famous son.

*Highlights include:*

#### Viva! MOZART Exhibition

27 January 2006 - 7 January 2007

The multimedia exhibition in the new "Salzburg Museum" on Mozartplatz 1 show items from other museums from all over the world and offers the chance to really get to know the world of the musical genius, showing Mozart the 'man': his family, friends and patrons.

[www.vivamozart.at](http://www.vivamozart.at)

#### Mozart Open Air Festival at Hohensalzburg Fortress

13 - 22 July 2006

Concert goers will experience the unique atmosphere in the 900 year old fortress "Hohensalzburg", Salzburg's spectacular land-mark.

[www.mozartfestival.at](http://www.mozartfestival.at)

#### Salzburg Festival

24 July - 31 August 2006

In an exclusive world-first, all 22 of Mozart's operas and musical comedies will be performed during one festival.

[www.salzburg-festival.at](http://www.salzburg-festival.at)

#### Festival "Kontra.com"

12 May - 16 July 2006

This avant-garde festival presents readings, concerts, performances and installations with daily events in the Rupertinum, in the house where Mozart lived, and in the courtyard of the Salzburg Museum.

[www.salzburg-kontra.com](http://www.salzburg-kontra.com)

#### Best of Mozart

29 special concerts at the Large Hall of the Mozarteum featuring the Mozarteum Orchestra and the Salzburg Chamber Soloists

[www.bestofmozart.info](http://www.bestofmozart.info)

#### Mozart masses, all-year round, on Sundays and public holidays

In the Mozart year, all the masses that Mozart ever composed will be heard with the churches of Salzburg as the stages.

### VIENNA

Mozart spent many successful years in Vienna and Austria's capital also offers a smorgasbord of events to celebrate the musical genius.

*Highlights include:*

#### Mozart's oeuvre at the Vienna opera

All year round.

The Vienna Opera, one of the largest opera houses in the world, presents Mozart's great operas and his requiem for his 250<sup>th</sup> birthday.

[www.staatsoper.at](http://www.staatsoper.at)

#### Mozart at the Schönbrunn Palace Concerts

All year round

Experience some of Mozart's finest works in the baroque Orangerie of Schönbrunn Palace

[www.schoenbrunn.at](http://www.schoenbrunn.at)

#### Mozart 2006 Exhibition

15 March - 27 August 2006

The Albertina honours Mozart with an exhibition designed by the star architect Zaha Hadid that shows historic and contemporary objects from art, science and everyday culture.

[www.albertina.at](http://www.albertina.at)

#### Vienna International Festival Concerts

7 May - 25 June 2006

Among this year's highlights are Mozart's 12 piano concerti, performed by star pianist Rudolf Buchbinder at the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra.

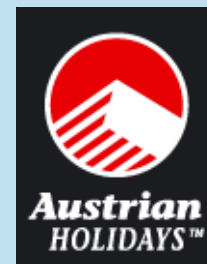
[www.vienna.info](http://www.vienna.info)

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