

Mirka Malmi

Violinist Mirka Malmi is an active partner in various chamber music ensembles and has given a number of premier performances. She appears regularly on various music festivals in Finland and is often heard on recordings for the Finnish Broadcasting Company YLE.

In recent years, Mirka Malmi has focused on violin and chamber music of early female composers in Scandinavia. In spring 2018, she started a concert series *Nainen ja Viulu* (She and the Violin) together with pianist Tiina Karakorpi in Helsinki, Finland.

Among Mirka Malmis interests are also cross-artistic collaborative projects. The premier performance of *Pix Graeca*, with aerialist Ilona Jäntti and composer Maija Hynninen, took place in Helsinki Music Center in September 2015. Another collaborative project, with acrobats Ilona Jäntti and Natalie Reckert, *Ysaÿe Project* is based on the Solo Sonata nr. 2 by Eugène Ysaÿe (premier performance in Zug, Sept. 2017).

Since 2002, Mirka Malmi holds a second violin position in the Finnish Radio Symphony Orchestra.

In addition to her performing as a violinist, Mirka Malmi is an active organizer and visionary. Her merits in this field include Janakkala Chamber Music Concerts (Artistic Leader, 2004), Interdisciplinary Biannual Veikkola Dada (Founding Partner, 2008–2015), Sääksmäki Soi! Festival (Artistic Partner, 2008-2016) and *Nainen ja Viulu* Concert Series (Artistic Leader 2018-).

Mirka Malmi studied violin and chamber music in Edsberg Music Institute, Stockholm, and Sibelius Academy, Helsinki under professors Ulf Wallin, Kaija Saarikettu and Mats Zetterqvist.