

The Directors



Christian Stuckl leads the procession

Christian Stuckl has the task of bringing all of the parts together. The son of a local inn-keeper, Christian has enormous energy and an international reputation. Christian is producer for the third time having produced the 1990 Passion Play when he was still in his twenties. He describes his biggest challenge in those early years as trying to direct both his father and grandfather, principal actors with vast experience! Next year, Christian plans to extend the mass participation scenes, recognising that it is these which make the Oberammergau experience unique.

Otto Huber has assisted Christian as deputy director since 1990 and has worked tirelessly on the minutiae of the text with the aim of removing elements seen as anti-Semitic. As Narrator, Otto opens each performance standing centre stage dramatically flanked by the full choir.

One third of the performance is music and this presents a particular challenge to the village as the soloists also have to fulfil the residential requirement in order to participate.

Markus Zwink has been Head of Music in Oberammergau since 1984 and has developed a network of choirs and orchestras all of which feed in to a great pool of talent for the Passion Play season. The music is truly inspirational with a one hundred strong choir supported in the Palm Sunday scene with hundreds more children all singing Hosanna, coming together to provide an unforgettable experience.

Full details of the cast can be found on the McCabe website and a short film from the service of dedication called "the children of Oberammergau" can be viewed on www.youtube.com

McCabe Oberammergau project

Donations from travellers to the Passion Play will help us complete our biggest ever project. £300,000 is still required to complete the new Lazarus Home for Girls in Bethany. McCabe Pilgrimages are adding a voluntary donation of £15 to every traveller's invoice and have made a commitment to match every donation made with £15 from the company. Together we will help make this new home a reality for the girls in Bethany.



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