



# Voice Symposium Salzburg

Voice Care on Stage – Festival – Medicine

## „Fit your skills“

Update in Voice Therapy for ENT, Phoniaticians and Voice Therapists

**August 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026**

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**Venue:** Hotel Heffterhof, Maria-Cebotari-Straße 1-7,  
5020 Salzburg, [www.heffterhof.at](http://www.heffterhof.at)

### Preliminary Topics (Tutorials, Keynotes, Workshop)

- Tutorial Voice Care for Music Managers and Coaches
- Phonosurgery in Singers, postoperative Rehabilitation
- Border-Crossing: Voice Therapy versus Teaching versus Coaching
- What is my favorite therapeutic Intervention „To break the Ice“
- To sing or not to sing / Cancellation Policy on Stage
- Tutorial – Conversation Training Therapy (CTT)
- Inside the Singer's Voice – A Dialogue between Anatomy and Artistry
- Myths, facts and practical management about „reflux“ in Singers

Abstract: (Keynotes – Panels – Workshops – Free Papers):  
deadline May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026

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**Dear Sir or Madam, dear friends of voice care!**

As a professional opera singer, I can assure you from my own experience that a global network of experts with experience and practical equipment at the highest scientific level is extremely important for all of us when we need a preventive examination or emergency treatment.

Equally important for us singers are good music managers and coaches who carefully and confidently build and follow our careers. It is important for them to have quick access to a network of experts with experience and practical equipment in voice medicine in case of an emergency.

The International Voice Forum Salzburg is designed as an interdisciplinary approach between voice clinicians, scientists, ENT doctors, phoniatriests, voice therapists and music managers from all over the world.

This forum is recognized worldwide as one of the leading conferences for the exchange of information between all professional groups important to singers in order to prepare them for the challenge.

Welcome to Salzburg, the hometown of W. A. Mozart!

*Rolando Villazón*

*TENOR & Artistic Director ISM*

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