



Association des amis de
Francis Poulenc

The Association Francis Poulenc was created in November 1963, shortly after the death of Poulenc, by Darius Milhaud, Georges Auric, Henri Sauget and Pierre Bernac. In the beginning, its aim was to be an informal group for those who had known Poulenc and who wished to meet in memory of him and his achievement. However, admirers from all quarters rapidly joined. From this it quickly became an association devoted to the wider influence of Poulenc's musical works, providing financial support for young performers, festivals celebrating the composer (Académie Poulenc de Tours, Concours International de Piano Francis Poulenc, Journées Francis Poulenc de Bagnols-en-Forêt or Anost, etc), and sometimes published work.

Presided over for many years by **Georges Prêtre**, with the pianist Gabriel Tacchino and the musicologist Jean Roy as Vice-Presidents, the association was administered from the 1970's by **Rosine Seringe**, Francis Poulenc's niece and god-daughter who was born in 1918. With great verve, drive and passion, she was able to develop the association to complement the huge and unrelenting fascination which Poulenc's music has aroused since his death. Since 2003, her grandson **Benoît Seringe**, general secretary and guardian of the rights to Poulenc's music, has taken charge of this precious cultural and personal legacy. It was he who established this website and now oversees the most recent projects (monitoring of permits for transcriptions by e-mail, the *Cahiers Francis Poulenc* etc.)

To join the Association Francis Poulenc, please send your annual payment of **20 euros**¹ or £18 or \$28 by bank cheque to the following address (Association Treasurer):

Bank cheque in favor of : Association des Amis de Francis Poulenc
To be sent at this address : Trésorerie Poulenc – M. Benoît Mommeja
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¹ Membership price is slightly inferior if you order a book *Les Cahiers de Francis Poulenc* at the same time. Please refer to « Association » section and then « Cahiers ».

You will be warmly welcomed to an association which, in June 2008, had 106 members. In recent years we have made a point of meeting once a year in Paris in a relaxed and friendly setting to pass on to you the projects and the achievements of the association. We also take the opportunity to talk to you about the contribution which Poulenc has made to musical life in the past year and to allow the greatest scope for members, be they simple admirers, musicians, festival organisers, film-makers, teachers or musicologists, to participate. Please note that every documents sent to you during the year will be in French and will not be translated.

Musically yours,

Benoît Seringe

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Association « Les Amis de Francis Poulenc »

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