



Ruben Silva

Polish conductor of the Bolivian origin, born in the capital city of his country – La Paz.

He studied at the Music Conservatory as well at the Catholic University in his home town.

In 1975 he became a conductor of the Conservatory Orchestra and founded a Youth Symphony Orchestra.

In 1978 Ruben Silva was granted a scholarship by the Polish Government for studying conducting at the F. Chopin Academy of Music in Warsaw. During his 5 years at the Academy he worked with a famous Polish conductor, Stanislaw Wislocki. In 1983 he was a prize-winner in the Third International G. Fitelberg Competition in Katowice. He was also classified among the finalists of the International RTV Competition in Budapest the same year.

He participated in Conductors' Competitions in La Paz lead by R. Vardanyan and in Siena (Italy) lead by F. Ferrara.

Professional Experience:

- *1983-1992 and since 1997 Conductor of Warsaw Chamber Opera
- * 1992–1994 – Artistic Director of Wroclaw Opera
- * 1994–1997 – Artistic Director of Koszalin Philharmonic
- * 1995–1997 – Artistic Director of Cracow Opera
- * 1997–2000 – collaboration with Roma Music Theatre and Chamber Opera in Belgrade
- * since 2000 Director of Warsaw Youth Philharmonic
- * since 2005 – Artistic Director of Koszalin Philharmonic
- * since 2008 – collaboration with Symphonic Orchestra of Bogota (Colombia)
- * since 2009 – first guest conductor of National Symphony Orchestra in La Paz (Bolivia)
- * 2012–2013 – Music director of Grand Theatre in Lodz

Since 2013 Ruben Silva has been the Artistic Director of Warsaw Chamber Opera. He collaborates with most Polish symphonic orchestras and performs as a guest conductor e.g. Polish Radio National Symphony Orchestra, Sinfonia Varsovia, National Philharmonic Warsaw, Cracow Philharmonic.



He was recording for the radio and TV in Poland and worldwide. Apart from his numerous appearances with Polish orchestras abroad on tours and at various festivals in Europe and Japan, he concertized in most European countries as well as Lebanon and South America. In 2012 Ruben Silva was honored with the Gold Cross of Merit by the Polish authorities.