



Der Leiter der Bayerischen Staatskanzlei
Staatsminister Siegfried Schneider, MdL

Message of greeting

Cape Classic 2010

A warm welcome to all friends of Cape Classic!
It is my pleasure to adopt the patronage of the Cape Classic festival 2010.
In the year of the soccer world cup, South Africa will be in the focus of the entire world.

This applies to the sports fans as well as the observers of the political scene. Bavaria looks at South Africa, too. Having been linked with the Western Cape for fifteen years in a partnership Bavaria is strongly interested in its development. We are deeply impressed by the democratic vitality of this very part of South Africa. So for us, too, the region around the Cape of Good Hope has become a country of promise!

Cape Classic's aim is to fulfil this hope with "The Magic of Music".
Knowing about the benedictory effect, which classical music has either in only listening or even in actively practising music, Cape Classic tries to lead kids and students to chamber music on a very high level.

Scientists proved what lovers of music knew already: music stimulates the spiritual, emotional and social development of young people. In a country with numerous languages, music is a language which is understood by all. Whoever has an idea how rich the African culture is will understand that our classical European music will be absorbed like a seed in a fertile soil. In this sense: Let's look forward to Cape Classic 2010!

I wish this year's festival a joyful and successful concert series.