
ARVE TELLEFSEN



Arve Tellefsen was born in Trondheim, Norway and started playing at the age of six with Arne Stoltenberg. He continued his studies at the Royal Danish Conservatory of Music with Professor Henry Holst, before moving to New York to study with Professor Ivan Galamian.

Arve Tellefsen is one of the most highly regarded violinists in Europe and performs with leading orchestras across the globe.

Arve Tellefsen has worked with conductors such as Herbert Blomstedt, Gary Bertini, Evgeny Svetlanov, Bryden Thomson, Neeme Järvi, Esa-Pekka Salonen, Paavo Berglund, Vladimir Ashkenazy, Mariss Jansons, Arvid Jansons, Walter Weller, and Zubin Mehta. In the UK, he has appeared with the Royal Philharmonic, the London Philharmonic, the Hallé, BBC Scottish, BBC Welsh, the Liverpool Philharmonic and the Royal Scottish National orchestras.

His discography includes concertos by Carl Nielsen, Shostakovich, Bach, Beethoven, Bruch, and Sibelius, as well as concertos by Scandinavian composers: Tor Aulin, Franz Berwald, Lars-Erik Larsson, Johan Svendsen, Christian Sinding, Fartein Valen, Arne Nordheim, and Alfred Janson. In 1997 he gave the world premiere of the Violin Concerto dedicated to him by Arne Nordheim, Norway's foremost contemporary composer, with the Oslo Philharmonic Orchestra on Sony Classical.

Tellefsen broadcasts regularly for the BBC; in Norway, he featured in a series of television programs with the Oslo Philharmonic focusing on classical music. He was a music consultant and soloist on the soundtrack of the feature film *Sofie*, Liv Ullmann's directorial debut.

As a chamber musician, Tellefsen has taken part in festivals all over the world, including the Schleswig-Holstein Festival, Bath Festival, Gidon Kremer's Festival in Lockenhaus, Barbara Hendricks' Festival in Montreux and the Pablo Casals Festival in Prades.

Arve Tellefsen founded the Oslo Chamber Music Festival, which takes place annually and attracts the cream of international artists, including Anne Sofie von Otter, Randi Stene, Solveig Kringlebotn, Elizabeth Nordberg-Schulz, Barbara Hendricks, Liv Ullmann, Jan Garbarek, Leif Ove Andsnes, Truls Mørk, Yuri Bashmet, Mischa Maisky, Gidon Kremer, Angela Hewitt, Hagen Quartet, Hilliard Ensemble, Jordi Savall, Rolf Lislevand and Maria João Pires.

Awards

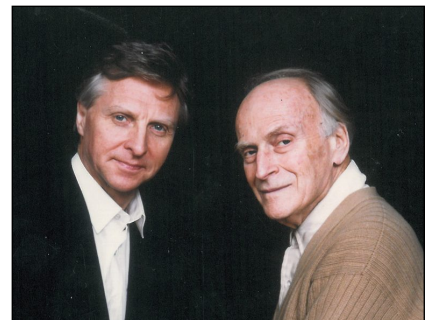
- 1956 Prinsesse Astrids Musikkpris
- 1962 Harriet Cohen International Music Award, London
- 1973 Edvard Grieg-prisen
- 1975 Festspill-prisen, Festspillene i Bergen
- 1978 Peer Gynt Pris
- 1994 Kommandør av Den kongelige norske St. Olavs Orden
- 1994 Oslo By's Kulturpris
- 1996 Norsk Kulturråds Ærespris
- 1996 Doctor Art Honoris Causa NTNU (Æresdoktor ved Universitetet i Trondheim)
- 1997 Æresborger av Trondheim
- 2004 Fartein Valen-prisen
- 2004 Ole Bull Prisen
- 2005 Kommandør av Den kongelige norske St. Olavs Orden med stjerne.
- 2007 Anders Jahres Kulturpris



Arve Tellefsen and Riccardo Muti



Arve Tellefsen and David Oistrakh



Arve Tellefsen and Yehudi Menuhin



Arve Tellefsen and Martha Algerich



Zubin Mehta and Arve Tellefsen



Arve Tellefsen and Yuri Krasnapolsky