THE NOBEL PRIZE AWARD CEREMONY 2018

THE 2018 NOBEL LAUREATES

THE NOBEL PRIZE IN PHYSICS
Dr Arthur Ashkin
Professor Gérard Mourou
Professor Donna Strickland

THE NOBEL PRIZE IN CHEMISTRY
Professor Frances H. Arnold
Professor George P. Smith
Sir Gregory P. Winter

THE NOBEL PRIZE IN PHYSIOLOGY OR MEDICINE
Professor James P. Allison
Professor Tasuku Honjo

THE SVERIGES RIKSBANK PRIZE IN ECONOMIC SCIENCES IN MEMORY OF ALFRED NOBEL
Professor William D. Nordhaus
Professor Paul M. Romer
The Swedish Royal Anthem *Kungssången* by Otto Lindblad

*March in D Major, KV 249* by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Laureates take their seats on the stage

Speech by Professor Carl-Henrik Heldin, Chairman of the Board of the Nobel Foundation

*Claire de lune* from *Suite bergamasque*, arrangement Lucien Caillet by Claude Debussy

Presentation of the 2018 Nobel Prize in Physics to
Dr Arthur Ashkin
Professor Gérard Mourou
Professor Donna Strickland
after a speech by Professor Anders Irbäck

*The Lament of Ian the Proud* from *Three Poems of Fiona MacLeod op 11* by Charles T. Griffes
Soloist: Christina Nilsson

Presentation of the 2018 Nobel Prize in Chemistry to
Professor Frances H. Arnold
Professor George P. Smith
Sir Gregory P. Winter
after a speech by Professor Sara Snogerup Linse

*Allegretto amorevole* from *Symphony in c minor* by Alice Mary Smith

Presentation of the 2018 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine to
Professor James P. Allison
Professor Tasuku Honjo
after a speech by Professor Klas Kärre

*Dich, teure Halle, Elisabeth's Greeting from Tannhäuser* by Richard Wagner
Soloist: Christina Nilsson

**Presentation of the 2018 Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel to Professor William D. Nordhaus**

Professor Paul M. Romer
after a speech by Professor John Hassler

The Swedish National Anthem *Du gamla, Du fria*, arrangement by Jari Eskola

*The Queen of Sheba's Festivity March from The Prodigal Son* by Hugo Alfvén
Played while the guests are leaving the auditorium

Music performed by
Royal Stockholm Philharmonic Orchestra
Conductor
Dalia Stasevska
Soloist
Christina Nilsson soprano

Set Designer
Niklas Wollheim
Floral Designer
Helén Magnusson

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Royal Stockholm Philharmonic Orchestra
The Royal Stockholm Philharmonic Orchestra was founded in 1902 and Konserthuset Stockholm has been its home since 1926. Regular guest conductors include notable names such as Riccardo Muti, Andris Nelsons, Herbert Blomstedt, Karina Canellakis, Gianandrea Noseda and Conductor Laureate Alan Gilbert.

Finnish Sakari Oramo has been Chief Conductor and Artistic Director of the orchestra since 2008. His current contract runs until 2021. Sakari Oramo has carried out several successful tours with the Royal Stockholm Philharmonic Orchestra. The German newspaper Die Welt concluded recently that the Royal Stockholm Philharmonic Orchestra is "one of the world’s best orchestras".

Recently, the acclaimed conductor Franz Welser-Möst was awarded the new title Eric Ericson Honorary Chair from the orchestra. He will join the Royal Stockholm Philharmonic Orchestra for two weeks each season from 2020/2021.

The orchestra participates annually in the Nobel Prize Award Ceremony and the Nobel Prize Concert.

Dalia Stasevska
In recent seasons, Finnish-Ukrainian conductor Dalia Stasevska has received increasing attention. She is celebrating debuts this season with the Philharmonia Orchestra in London, the Orchestre National de Lyon, the Helsinki Philharmonic Orchestra, the Swedish Chamber Orchestra and several others. She has also appeared with the BBC Symphony Orchestra, the Swedish Radio Symphony Orchestra and the Oslo Philharmonic Orchestra. She is a prominent opera conductor and will appear this autumn and winter at the Malmö Opera conducting Verdi’s *La Traviata* and next spring at the Royal Swedish Opera in Stockholm with Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart’s *Don Giovanni*. Dalia Stasevska made her debut with the Royal Stockholm Philharmonic Orchestra in 2017.

Christina Nilsson
In 2017 Swedish soprano Christina Nilsson made her successful debut at the Royal Swedish Opera in Stockholm in the title role of Giuseppe Verdi’s *Aida*. She has already made a number of international appearances, including in France at the Opéra de Lyon and the Opéra national de Lorraine in Nancy. This season she will sing the role of Ariadne in Richard Strauss’ *Ariadne auf Naxos* at the Oper Frankfurt in Germany, followed by the same role at the Opéra de Lausanne in Switzerland. She has been awarded various prizes and honours, including the Jenny Lind Scholarship and the Birgit Nilsson Scholarship. Christina Nilsson has previously appeared on several occasions together with the Royal Stockholm Philharmonic Orchestra.