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Participation of Riga Dom Cathedral Boys Choir in Birgitta Festival 2014

Riga Dom Cathedral Boys Choir took part in the music theater festival Birgitta Festival 2014 and sang in the opening performance of Mass by Bernstein. It was a staged performance and the boys had to act and sing at the same time. It was a very difficult project – actors, stage directors, a managing team from five countries, rehearsals in two countries, with several languages used in the rehearsals. All this situation was quite hard and new for the boys, but they were very stable and brave members of this complicated project.

The managing team of Birgitta Festival had no problems with the boys – their musical level was high and discipline terrific.

In all reviews (critics Alvar Loog, Vello Salo, Irene Kabonen) it was mentioned that all choirs (choirs Latvia and Riga Dom Cathedral Boys Choir) were on the level. Mass by Bernstein is a work (liturgical work) where the choirs have a very big part.

The work of the conductor of the choir, Martins Klisans was perfect.

The artistic team of Birgitta Festival is looking forward to the next possibilities to have further cooperation with Riga Dom Cathedral Boys Choir.

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