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Johannes Berger (born 1987 in Rosenheim / Germany) has received piano, harpsichord, and organ lessons since early childhood. At the age of 11, he was accepted into the circle of students of the renowned Munich organist Franz Lehnrdorfer. He won first prize in the German competition "Jugend musiziert" in organ during his time at Ignaz-Günther-Gymnasium in Rosenheim. Since leaving school Johannes Berger studied organ performance with Harald Feller, harpsichord with Christine Schornsheim, and church music at the Music Academy of Munich. His professors there included: Michaela Pühn (piano), Michael Glaeser (choral conducting), Wolfgang Hörlin (improvisation) and Christoph Adt (conducting). Selected by the Academy for the "Deutschlandstipendium" for his outstanding academic achievements, he completed his artistic organ diploma with distinction in 2011. In 2013 Johannes Berger finished a master's degree in organ, graduating with "outstanding success." In addition to his graduate studies, he furthered his musical education by attending masterclasses for organ and harpsichord with such well-known performers as Olivier Latry, Jacques van Oortmerrson, Jon Laukvik and Martin Schmeding. In 2011 Johannes Berger won the international organ competition "Grand Prix Bach de Lausanne" in Switzerland receiving there also the audience award. One year later he earned the Culture Prize of the district of Rosenheim. Shortly thereafter, Rotary honored him with a cultural award for his musical achievements. In addition to an extensive solo concert career, taking him to major organs in Belgium, Austria, Italy, Switzerland, Slovenia, Peru and the Czech Republic, he regularly performs with renowned ensembles such as the Dresdner Trompeten Consort, Harmonic Brass Munich, and Salzburger Trompeten Consort. As a soloist and chamber musician, he has been engaged more times for CD, television and radio productions. Since 2009, Johannes Berger is the organist and curator of the largest outdoor organ in the world located in Kufstein, Austria.