

Vita (engl.)
Irmela Bossler

Irmela Bossler was born in Freiburg/Brsg. the daughter of the composer Kurt Bossler and the singer Ursula Bossler-Moericke. She received her first music lessons from her parents and from 1969 from the principal flute in Heidelberg Werner Löhrich. In 1974 she began her studies at the "Staatliche Hochschule für Musik Heidelberg-Mannheim". She then went on to study with Gertrud Zoeller and Karlheinz Zoeller (principal flute in the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra) at the "Staatliche Hochschule für Musik und darstellende Kunst" in Hamburg.

After her Diploma she went on to take her Konzertexamen which she passed "mit Auszeichnung".

During her student years she won prizes in various international competitions e.g. the Kuhlau Competition and the Gaudeamus Competition/ Rotterdam for interpreters of contemporary music.

In 1982 she was awarded a two year scholarship at the Herbert von Karajan Foundation in Berlin.

After several years in various leading German orchestras and a flute teaching position at the "Musikhochschule des Saarlandes" she was invited in 1992 by the Mozarteum in Salzburg to be a visiting professor and to direct the flute class of the Innsbruck department.

In 1993 she was appointed professor at the Hochschule für Musik und Theater "Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy" in Leipzig.

Since her student days Irmela Bossler has given concerts at home and abroad as a soloist and in various chamber ensembles. She regularly performs with the pianist and harpsichordist Bernhard Kastner. Alongside traditional repertoire, she has a particular interest in performing contemporary music of well known but also of unknown young composers, presenting unconventional programmes which contain different musical forms such as improvisation and in using the concert space in unusual ways. She wishes to bring about new listening habits and a new understanding of music in her audience.