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International award for Andermatt Concert Hall: winner of the Architizer A+Awards 2022 for concert halls around the world

Andermatt Concert Hall has been selected by the jury of the Architizer awards as the winner in the category Halls/Theatres in 2022. The Architizer A+Awards is the largest awards programme focused on promoting and judging the best architecture of the year in a variety of categories. Finalists included, among others, the theatre Nouvelle Comédie de Genève, with a special mention for the Buddy Holly Hall in Texas.

Raphael Krucker, CEO of Andermatt Swiss Alps AG, commented: "The award for Andermatt Concert Hall acknowledges the unique transformation of the mountain village of Andermatt into the prime Alpine destination." With the resident Swiss Orchestra and the concert hall's programme by Lena-Lisa Wüstendörfer, the year-round destination Andermatt also has a unique cultural programme.

The Andermatt Concert Hall was designed by Studio Seilern Architects under the direction of Christina Seilern and built by Andermatt Swiss Alps and BESIX, Belgium. Built against an impressive panorama, the 650-seat hall offers an intimate atmosphere and features an exceptionally flexible stage with space for a 75-piece orchestra. London-based Studio Seilern Architects also realised the filigree restaurant on Andermatt's local mountain, the Gütsch. The two restaurants located there have one Michelin star each and a combined total of 31 GaultMillau points.

Architect Christina Seilern was recently named Architect of the Year at the Female Frontier Awards by World Architecture News. Commenting on the award for Andermatt Concert Hall, she said: "This win is an extraordinary honour for us at Studio Seilern Architects. With the awards attracting entries from over 80 countries, I'm thrilled with the result and hope it will cement the reputation of this project as a world-class concert facility – one that Andermatt deserves. On a personal note, this win is very touching for me as someone who grew up in Switzerland. I'm delighted that we've been able to secure a win for this place that is very dear to me."

The mountain village of Andermatt in the heart of the Swiss Alps is being transformed into a unique, year-round prime Alpine destination as part of an extensive development project led by Andermatt Swiss Alps. So far, this has resulted in the creation of a new village square, the "Piazza Gottardo", with the new concert hall, two hotels – including the multi-award-winning The Chedi Andermatt – as well as apartment buildings, chalets and the Andermatt Swiss Alps Golf Course.



The multi-purpose Andermatt Concert Hall offers the flexibility to accommodate different seating or event plans – from an orchestral performance to a rock concert or a conference. The flexibility and simple switching between layouts is based on a retractable system that allows up to nine rows of steps to disappear under the main balcony.

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Andermatt Swiss Alps AG - Welcome home

Based in Andermatt, Andermatt Swiss Alps AG is responsible for planning, constructing and developing the year-round destination of Andermatt. Construction of the Andermatt Reuss facility, offering apartment buildings, hotels and chalets, has been underway since 2009. The Andermatt Swiss Alps Group also includes Andermatt-Sedrun Sport AG with the mountain railways, the catering brand Mountain Food and the Swiss Snow Sports School Andermatt, as well as an 18-hole, par 72 championship golf course and Andermatt Concert Hall. With its hotels, sports infrastructure, events and real estate, Andermatt Swiss Alps hopes to become the prime Alpine destination. At the same time, it is committed to an intact environment, a future worth living in, and to providing future generations with an exceptional home. During the peak season, the Andermatt Swiss Alps Group employs over 1,000 people at its locations in Altdorf, Andermatt and Sedrun.

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