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## **Gudrun Hinze**

studied in Düsseldorf and Essen. After engagements with the WDR Symphony Orchestra Cologne and the Leipzig MDR Symphony Orchestra, she accepted the position of principal piccoloist in the Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra in 1993.

She has also served as piccoloist in the Bayreuth Festival Orchestra since 1999. Hinze is also an ambitious teacher for her instrument and gives piccolo masterclasses and workshops. Two CDs of works from the piccolo literature document her solo engagements, one released on the Berlin Classics label and one on Talanton Records.

Gudrun Hinze is founding member of Quintessenz-Leipzig flute ensemble. The quintet consists of principal flutists of the Gewandhaus orchestra, the Radio Symphony Orchestra Leipzig and the Staatskapelle Halle. They play together since 1996 and are one of the most highly renowned flute ensembles in the world. Her personal passion is the creation of arrangements for Quintessenz, most of them have been highly decorated with international rewards.