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Sally Nickels

Flutist & Teacher

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BIOGRAPHY

Luxembourg flutist Sally Nickels is a talented and versatile musician with a passion for diverse musical expressions. Her repertoire includes solo performances, chamber music, symphonic orchestras and wind bands. While her primary focus is on classical music, Sally has cultivated a growing interest in contemporary music over recent years. She strives to blend her classical flute education with her enthusiasm for other genres, such as musical theatre, pop and more.

Sally's upcoming projects reflect her dynamic career. At the end of February, she will perform with a wind quintet composed of teachers from the Conservatoire du Nord in Ettelbruck (Luxembourg). In April, she will join the same quintet, the vocal ensemble of the Conservatoire du Nord, and conductor Matthias Rajczyk for a performance of Dvořák's Requiem. In March, Sally will collaborate with the renowned ensemble United Instruments of Lucilin, based in Luxembourg, under the baton of conductor Rémi Durupt, culminating in a concert featuring works by Steve Reich, Donnacha Dennehy, and others. A highlight of season 2024-2025 is her Final Master Recital at Conservatorium Maastricht, where she will present a program showcasing both famous and lesser-known flute repertoire.

In October 2024, Sally performed a dance-themed concert at CAPE Ettelbruck (L) with pianist Yannis Shymko, featuring works by Harberg, Gade, Hübner, Piazzolla, and others. That same week, she participated in a Charles Ives celebration concert at the Mierscher Theater (L) with singer Franz Schilling, pianist Claude Kraus, and violinist Ruben Dorneanu.

Over the years, Sally has amassed significant orchestral experience. As a member of the Orchestre National des Jeunes du Luxembourg, conducted by Pit Brosius, she performed works such as Dvořák's Cello Concerto with German cellist Johannes Moser and Ravel's Piano Concerto with pianist Hyung-ki Joo. She further honed her skills during internships with the Luxembourg Philharmonic and the Military Band of Luxembourg, where she continues to perform as a substitute. Sally has also been a dedicated member of the local wind band "Schierener Musék" in Schieren (L) since her childhood. Her membership in the National Youth Wind Orchestra of Luxembourg, led by François Schammo, included international tours in France, Germany, the United States, and Canada.

Eager to expand her artistry, Sally has participated in masterclasses with esteemed flutists such as Emily Beynon, Sébastien Jacot, Jean-Claude Gérard, Wally Hase, and Dejan Gavric, to only name a few. Her competition experience includes the European Music Competition Thomas Kuti in Macedonia (2018), the Dutch International Flute Competition at the Adams Centre (2021 and 2022), the Grachtenfestival Competition (2023), and the Concours Jeunes Solistes Luxembourg (2024).

Currently pursuing her Master's degree at Conservatorium Maastricht under Valerie Debaele, Sally previously studied with Carlo Jans in Luxembourg. Beyond performance, Sally is a passionate educator. For five years, she has been teaching flute in Luxembourg and, off which the past three years at the Conservatoire du Nord in Ettelbruck/Diekirch, where she once took music lessons herself as a child. She enjoys working with students of all ages and conducts the local children's orchestra in Schieren, a role she has held since 2015-2016. Additionally, Sally is part of the teaching staff of the National Youth Wind Orchestra of Luxembourg, where she once performed as a member.

Sally's musical journey is enriched by her background in piano and singing, which she integrates into her flute playing and teaching. As a pianist, Sally is a member of the local band Crazy Cube, where she enjoys playing modern, jazz and big band music. Sally also takes regularly part in choir concerts with different ensembles. Her dedication to music and education reflects her commitment to inspiring others while continuously evolving as an artist.



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12.07.1999

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As a classical flutist, my aim is it to combine both virtuosity in playing as well as education. While being a versatile musician myself, I want to encourage young musicians to be open-minded and focussed on different goals, all while reaching the success goals I set for my own musical journey in performance. I value empathy and trust, both values that ensure me to have a good relation with my audiences and students. Music has always been a way for me to connect, inspire, and grow. Whether on stage or in the classroom, I strive to share my love for music and continue evolving as an artist.

CV

Education

Conservatoium Maastricht (NL)

September 2023 - current

Master of Music, Classical Flute, Class of Valerie Debaele

Conservatorium Maatricht (NL)

September 2020 - July 2023

Bachelor of Music, Classical Flute, Class of Valerie Debaele

Fontys Hogeschool voor de Kunsten Tilburg (NL)

September 2019 - July 2020

Bachelor of Music, Classical Flute, Class of Valerie Debaele

Conservatoire de la Ville de Luxembourg (L)

September 2014 - Ocotber 2020

Final Diploma "Concert de Diplôme", Class of Carlo Jans

Conservatoire du Nord Ettelbruck/Diekirch (L)

September 2006 - July 2014

Class of Dominique Lecuivre

Working Experience

Military Band of Luxembourg (L)

September 2023 - Current

Regular Substitutue

Conservatoire du Nord Ettelbruck/Diekirch (L)

September 2022 - Current

Flute Teacher

Ecole de Musique UGDA Colmar-Berg (L)

September 2021 - July 2022

Flute Teacher

Ecole de Musique Wiltz (L)

September 2020 - July 2022

Flute Teacher

Children's Orchestra: Schiereener Jugendmusék (L)

September 2015 - Current

Conductor

Internships

Luxembourg Philharmonic (L)

February 2023 - March 2023

3 weeks of internship as flutist

Military Band of Luxembourg (L)

September 2018 - July 2019

6 weeks of Internship as flutist

Side by Side with Luxembourg Philharmonic (L)

3-4 days among the orchestra

2014, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019

Side by Side with Military Band of Luxembourg (L)

3 days among the orchestra

2013, 2014, 2017, 2019, 2020

MEDIA

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DATES

Upcoming Events

26.02.2025

18:30

Old Church St. Lawrence -
Diekirch (L)

Harmonies partagées

Isabelle Lord (horn) - Sally Nickels (flute) - Nathalie
Ludwig (clarinet) - Pit Brosius (bassoon) - Quentin
Debecq (oboe)

Works by Ibert, Mozart, Nielsen a.o.

13.03.2025

17:00

CAPE Auditorium - Ettelbruck (L)

City Life

Ensemble United Instruments of Lucilin
Students & Teachers from Conservatoire du Nord
Ettelbruck/Diekirch
Rémi Durupt (conductor)
Works by Reich, Dennehy, Moore and Bennet

31.03.2025

17:30

Willem Hijstek Hall Conservatorium
Maastricht - Maastricht (NL)

Flute Class Concert

Students of Flute Class
Valerie Debaele (Teacher)
Erwin Deleux (Piano Accompaniment)

Program tbc

20.04.2025

18:30

Centre Culturel Machera -
Grevenmacher (L)

National Youth Wind Orchestra

François Schammo (Conductor)

Program tbc

26.04.2025

Time tbc

Church - Diekirch (L)

Dvorak - Missa

Ensemble Vocal du CMNord
Ensemble Instrumental du CMNord
Matthias Rajczyk (Conductor)

Program: Missa in D major

09.05.2025

Time tbc

Bissen (L)

Terra'Bis

Band Crazy Cube

Tom Henckes (Conductor)

Program features classics from Big Band
Repertoire, as well well as Cover Songs

10.05.2025

20:00

Kapel Opveld - Maastricht (NL)

Opus16 Concerten

Lance Weisen (Flute)

Sally Nickels (Flute)

Alexandra Săndulescu (Piano)

Sadie Fields (viola)

Michelle Lynne (Piano)

Program: tbc

11.05.2025

Time tbc

Olingen (L)

Blummemaart Ouljen

Band Crazy Cube

Tom Henckes (Conductor)

Program features classics from Big Band
Repertoire, as well well as Cover Songs

10.06. Or 16.06.2025

Time tbc

Willem Hijstek Hall
Conservatorium Maastricht
Maastricht (NL)

Final Master Exam

Sally Nickels (Flute)

Erwin Deleux (Piano Accompaniment)

Works by Gaubert, Boehm, Harberg, Rosenblatt
and Liebermann

25.06.2025

20:00

Theater an het Vrijthof
Maastricht (NL)

Conservatorium Maastricht
Symphony Orchestra

Students from Conservatorium Maastricht

Martin Sieghart (Conductor)

Boris Belkin (violin)

13.07.2025

Time tbc

Rosport (L)

Schierener Musék at Muséksfest

Schierener Musek

Roland Schiltz (Conductor)

Program tbc

19.07.2025

20:00

Berdorf (L)

Berdorf in Concert

Band Crazy Cube

Tom Henckes (Conductor)

Program features classics from Big Band
Repertoire, as well well as Cover Songs

03.08.2025

Time tbc

Troisvierges (L)

Älwenter Kiermes

Band Crazy Cube

Tom Henckes (Conductor)

Program features classics from Big Band
Repertoire, as well well as Cover Songs

06.09.2025

Time tbc

Esch-sur-Alzette (L)

Südstroum Escher Kulturlaaf

Band Crazy Cube

Tom Henckes (Conductor)

Program features classics from Big Band
Repertoire, as well well as Cover Songs

07.09.2025

15:00

Schwebsingen (L)

Schwéidsbenger Wäifest

Band Crazy Cube

Tom Henckes (Conductor)

Program features classics from Big Band
Repertoire, as well well as Cover Songs

Past Events

19.01.2025
Schieren (L)

Galaconcert

Schierener Musék, Roland Schiltz (Conductor)

Works by Otto M. Schwarz, Johan de Meij, Kevin Houben, a.o.

23.12.2024
Lintgen (L)

Christmas Choir Concert The Anthem Singers & Friends

Works by David Willcocks, John Rutter, Morten Lauridsen, a.o.

22.12.2024
Lipperscheid (L)

Christmas Choir Concert The Anthem Singers & Friends

Works by David Willcocks, John Rutter, Morten Lauridsen, a.o.

16.12.2024
Maastricht (L)

Flute Class Concert

Students from Flute Class, Valerie Debaele (Teacher), Erwin Deleux (Piano accompaniment)
Works by Franz Schubert, Alexander Rosenblatt, W.A. Mozart, a.o.

07.12.2024
Koerperich (D)

Winter Market Castle Kewenig

Band Crazy Cube, Tom Henckes (Conductor)
Program featured classics from Big Band Repertoire, as well well as Cover Songs

20.10.2024
Mersch (L)

Charles Ives - 114 Songs 150th Anniversary Concert

Franz Schilling (voice), Claude Kraus (piano), Sally Nickels (flute), Ruben Dorneanu (violin)

19.10.2024
Limpertsberg (L)

Crazy Cube meets Spectrum

Band Crazy Cube, Tom Henckes (Conductor)
Big Band Spectrum, Jacques Reuter (Leader)
Program featured classics from Big Band Repertoire, as well well as Cover Songs

16.10.2024
Ettelbruck (L)

Let's Dance - Flute & Piano Recital

BSally Nickels (flute), Yannis Shymko (piano)
Works by Jacob Gade, Amanda Harberg, André Jolivet, a.o.

REPERTOIRE

Flute Solo

3 Virtuoso Flamenco Studies
Chaconne Op. 107 No. 30
Fish are Jumping
Image for Flute Op. 38
Partita
Syrinx

K. Zgraja (1950 -)
S. Karg-Elert (1877 – 1933)
R. Dick (1950 -)
E. Bozza (1905 – 1991)
J.S. Bach (1685 – 1750)
C. Debussy (1862 – 1918)

Flute & Piano

Aria et Danza
Arie des Lensky from „Eugene Onegin“
Ballade
Cantabile et Presto
Carmen Fantasy
Chant de Linos
Concert Allegro No. 3
Concertino in D Major Op. 107
Concerto
Concerto CNW 42
Concerto in b minor Op. 17
Concerto in D Major KV 314
Concerto in D Major Op. 283
Concerto in d minor, H.484.1 Wq 22
Concerto in G Major KV 313
Concerto in G Major QV 5:174
Concerto No. 7 in e minor
Court Dances
Fantaisie
Fantaisie
Fantaisie-Sonata Op. 17
Fantasie Op. 55
Fantasy on themes from “Der Freischütz”
Introduction and Variations on “Trockne Blumen” D. 802
Kaval
Miami Flute Suite
Nocturne et Allegro scherzando
Sonata for Flute and Piano in A Major
Sonata for Flute and Piano
Sonata H. 306
Sonata in E Major, BWV 1034
Sonata in e minor, BWV 1035
Sonata Op. 94 in D Major
Sonata

P. Vasks (1946 -)
P.I. Tchaikovsky, Arr. G. Braunstein (1840 – 1893)
F. Martin (1890 – 1974)
G. Enesco (1881 – 1955)
A. Rosenblatt (1956 -)
A. Jolivet (1905 – 1974)
V. Tsybin (1877 – 1949)
C. Chaminade (1857 – 1944)
A. Khachaturian (1903 – 1978)
C. Nielsen (1865 – 1931)
B. Romberg (1767 – 1841)
W.A. Mozart (1756 – 1791)
C. Reinecke (1824 – 1910)
C.P.E. Bach (1714 – 1788)
W.A. Mozart (1756 – 1791)
J. Quantz (1697 – 1773)
F. Devienne (1759 – 1803)
A. Harberg (1973 -)
G. Fauré (1845 – 1924)
G. Hüe (1858 – 1948)
M. Meyer-Olbersleben (1850 – 1927)
C. Frühling (1868 – 1937)
P. Taffanel (1844 – 1908)
F. Schubert (1797 – 1828)

J. Binet (1893 – 1960)
M. del Aguila (1957 -)
P. Gaubert (1879 – 1941)
C. Franck (1822 – 1890)
L. Liebermann (1961 -)
B. Martinu (1890 – 1959)
J.S. Bach (1685 – 1750)
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S. Prokofiev (1891 – 1953)
F. Poulenc (1899 – 1963)

Sonatina
Sonatine
Sonatine
Suite for Flute and Piano
Tango Fantasia
Undine

E. Burton (1913 – 1981)
D. Milhaud (1892 – 1974)
H. Dutilleux (1916 – 2013)
C.-M. Widor (1844 – 1937)
J. Gade (1879 – 1963)
C. Reinecke (1824 – 1910)

Flute Duo & Piano

Andante et Rondo
Grand Concerto Fantasy on "Un Ballo in Maschera"
La Somnabulla Fantaisie
Trio Op. 119
Trio Sonata in d minor
UnFORGETtable

F. Doppler (1821 – 1883)
L. Hugues (1836 – 1913)
F. Doppler (1821 – 1883)
F. Kuhlau (1786 – 1832)
C.P.E. Bach (1714 – 1788)
I. Boumans (1983 -)

Flute Trio

Birds
Nozze di Figaro Overture
Trio con brio
Trio Op. 93 No. 1

H. Beeffink (1953 -)
W.A. Mozart, Arr. L. Henry (1756 – 1791)
K. Zgraja (1950 -)
E. Walckiers (1793 – 1866)

Flute Quartet

Flûtes en vacances
Jour d'été à la montagne
Scherzo Op. 61/1

J. Castérède (1926 – 2014)
E. Bozza (1905 – 1991)
F. Mendelssohn Bartholdy, Arr. H.A. Cohen (1809 – 1847)

Flute, Cello & Piano

Trio in g minor Op. 63

C.M. von Weber (1786 – 1826)

Flute, Viola & Harp

Ad Infinitum
Elegiac Trio

S. Brotons (1959 -)
A. Bax (1883 – 1953)

Woodwind Quintet

Die Zauberflöte, Overture
Divertimento No. 12 Es-Dur KV 252
Rengaines pour quintette à vent
Trois Pièces brèves
Wind Quintet Op. 43

W.A. Mozart, Arr. J. Linckelmann (1756 – 1791)
W.A. Mozart (1756 – 1791)
A. Souris (1899 – 1970)
J. Ibert (1890 – 1962)
C. Nielsen (1865 – 1931)

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