

Ayyub Guliyev currently holds the position of Artistic Director and Principal Conductor at the Azerbaijan State Academic Opera and Ballet Theatre, a role he has embraced since 2011. He is a winner of the Arturo Toscanini International Competition of Conductors in Parma, Italy, and has also won first prizes at the Witold Lutoslawski Competition for Young Conductors in Bialystok and the Mitropoulos International Conducting Competition in Athens.

During the 2023/24 season, Guliyev is conducting the ballet *One Thousand and One Nights* at the Mariinsky Theatre and the Bolshoi Theatre. He also leads *Don Giovanni* at the Latvian National Opera and conducts new productions of *Pique Dame* and *Turandot* at the Azerbaijan State Academic Opera and Ballet Theatre. Additionally, he is scheduled to conduct with Orquestra Sinfonica do Teatro Nacional Claudio Santoro and Belem National Symphony Orchestra in Brazil, opening of the new NCPR hall in Peking with China National Ballet, symphony music with Azerbaijan State Symphony Orchestra, Georgian Sinfonietta (Georgia State Chamber Orchestra), Bilkent and Presidential State Symphony Orchestras (Turkey), State Symphony Orchestra of Evgeniy Svetlanov, among others. His repertoire include operas such as *La Boheme*, *Tosca*, *Il Trovatore*, *Aida*, *Rigoletto*, *La Traviata*, *L'elisir d'amore*, *Il barbiere di Siviglia*, *Cavalleria Rusticana*, *Carmen*, and *Aleko*, as well as ballets *Swan Lake*, *Giselle*, *The Nutcracker*, *Petruska*, *Daphnis et Cloe* among others. Additionally, he recorded a CD in his debut collaboration with Sinfonia Varsovia, made his debut with the Royal Bangkok Symphony Orchestra, and performed with the Lutoslawski International Youth Orchestra at the Young Euro Classics Festival in Berlin's Konzerthaus.

Guliyev has led concerts with orchestras such as the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, the Wiener Kammerorchester, Sinfonia Varsovia, the Toscanini Philharmonic, the Royal Bangkok Symphony Orchestra, the Lutoslawski International Youth Orchestra at the Young Euro Classics Festival in Berlin's Konzerthaus, the Athens Orchestra, the Moscow Philharmonic Orchestra, the Russian National Orchestra, the Trondheim Orchestra, the Lamoureux Symphony Orchestra, the St. Petersburg State Symphony Orchestra, Zagreb Philharmonic Orchestra, the Baku Philharmonic Orchestra, the Astana Philharmonic Orchestra, the Bishkek Philharmonic Orchestra, the Baltic Philharmonic Orchestra, the Lodz Philharmonic Orchestra, the Slovak Chamber Orchestra, the Turkey Presidential Symphony Orchestra, the Lithuania Symphony Orchestra, the State Symphony Orchestra of Azerbaijan, among others. In opera productions he conducted in the Kyiv State Opera, the Bucharest Opera and the Tashkent Opera, Belgrad National opera among others.

Ayyub Guliyev graduated from the Baku Musical Academy in 2005, where he majored in conducting under the guidance of Y. Adigezalov. He later continued his postgraduate education at St. Petersburg State Conservatory and the University of Music and Performing Arts in Vienna.

