



## Archiving a living composer:

building Arvo Pärt's personal archive and an open meeting place for creativity

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Arvo Pärt Centre...

...the carrier of the creative message of Arvo Pärt ...an open meeting place for creativity



## 2010 - Arvo Pärt Centre was founded





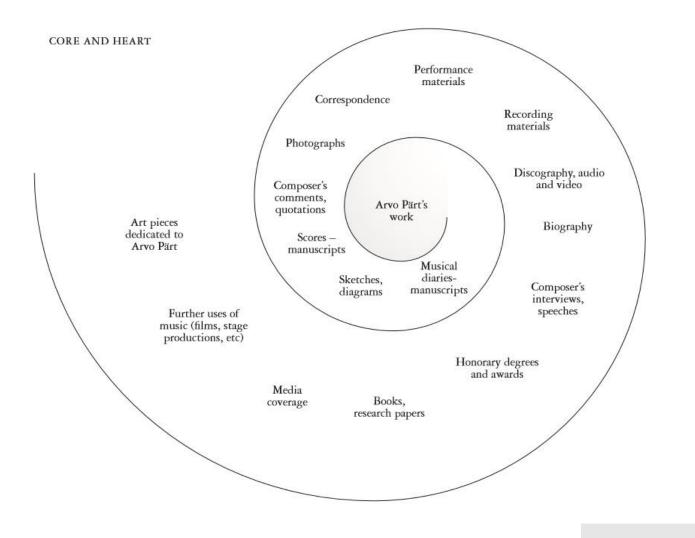
# Working with Arvo Pärt to enrich Archive

# Making the heritage available to the public

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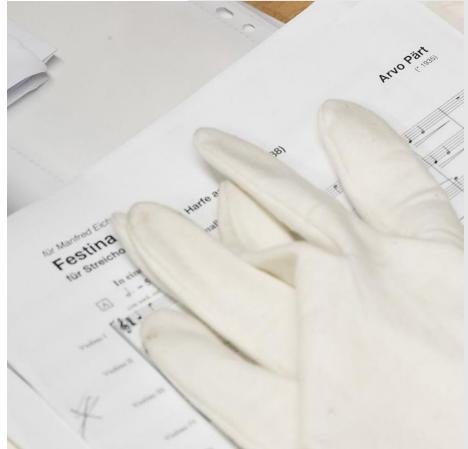


### **Collection of the Arvo Pärt Archive**





- 1. Systemizing the archive
- 2. Digitizing the materials
- 3. Development of Arvo Pärt Information System
- 4. In-depth archive interviews with the composer





## **Classification system for organising material**

- 1. Biography
- 2. Works
- 3. Composer's comments and quotations
- 4. The creation of the works and recording materials
- 5. Performance materials
- 6. Correspondence
- 7. Writings about Arvo Pärt's life and work
- 8. Photographs
- 9. Audio and video materials
- 10. Honorary degrees and awards
- 11. Other items of archival value



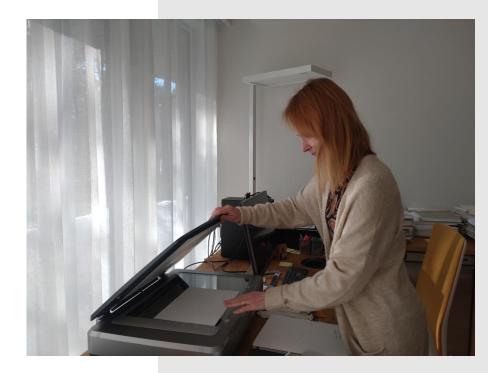


## The Modern Digital Era and challenges

The aim is to digitise all of the materials in the archive and to store it in permanent formats.

## Challenges:

- 1. mass digitisation in the beginning
- 2. different analogue formats audio and video formats
- 3. paper and pencil qualities
- 4. new online information





# The Information System at the Archive (APIS) <u>https://apis.arvopart.ee/et/recording</u>

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1957	Sonatina for Vic	Sonatina for Violin and Piano, no.1		Instrumental chamber music: for ense	emble
1958	Music for pupp Woods" ("Seiklu	et play "Adventure in us metsas")	the	Incidental music: for theatre	
1958	Partita		piano	Instrumental chamber music: for solo	piano 8 min
1958	Andante moder	ato and Scherzo	viola and piano or violon	cello and piano Instrumental chamber music: for ense	emble



## In-depth archive interviews with the composer

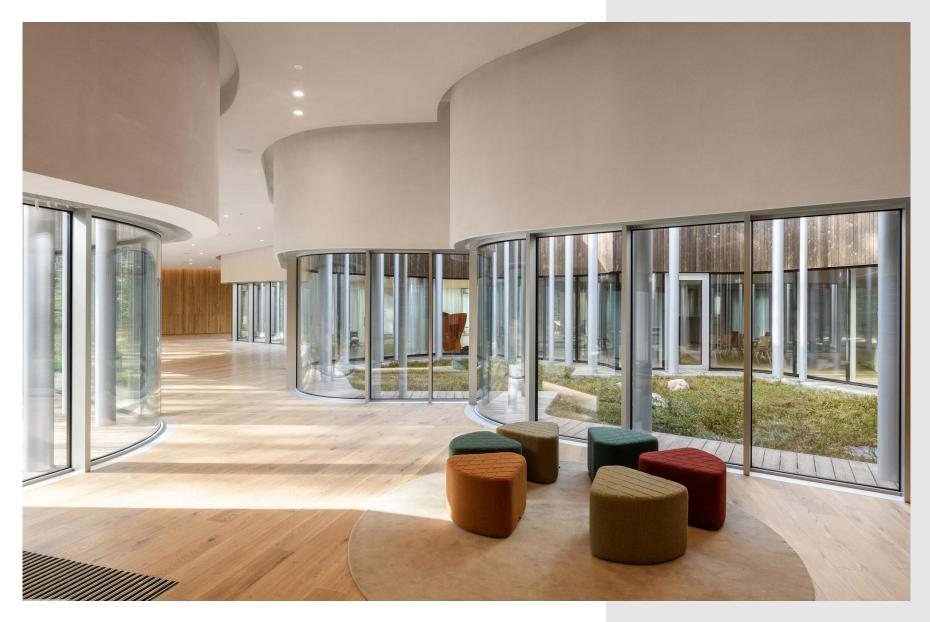




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#### Arvo Pärt Centre activities – archive and library

- Interviews with the composer
- Systemizing, digitizing, commenting the data
- Library and archive for

researchers

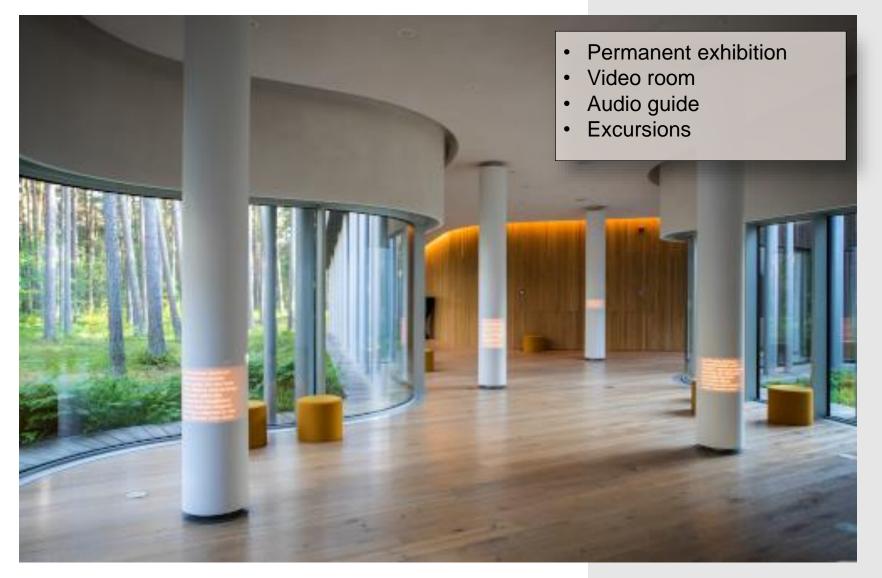


#### Arvo Pärt Centre activities – Research and publications





#### **Arvo Pärt Centre activities - visitors**



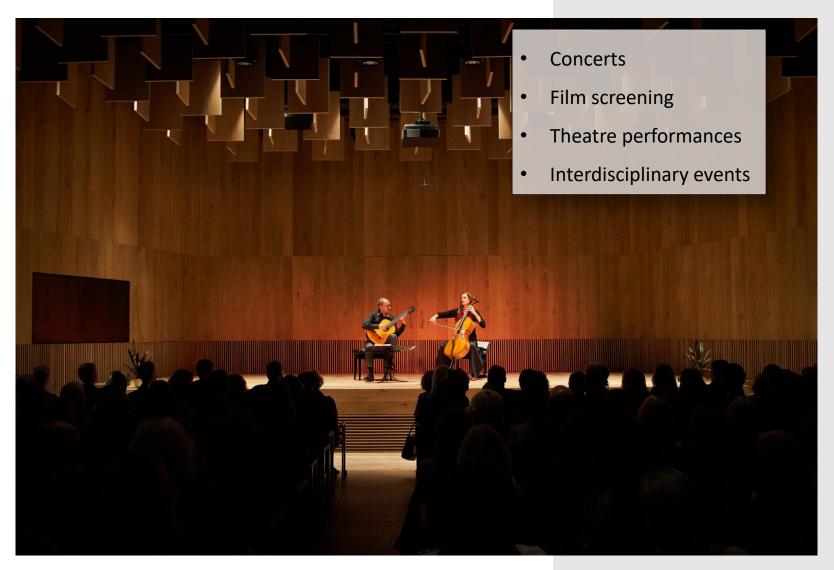


#### **Arvo Pärt Centre activities - Education**



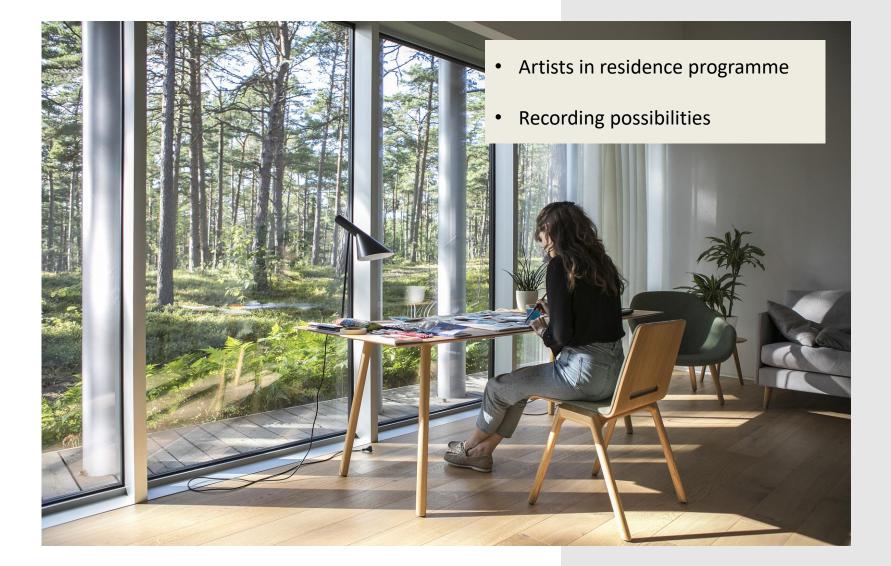


**Arvo Pärt Centre activities - events** 

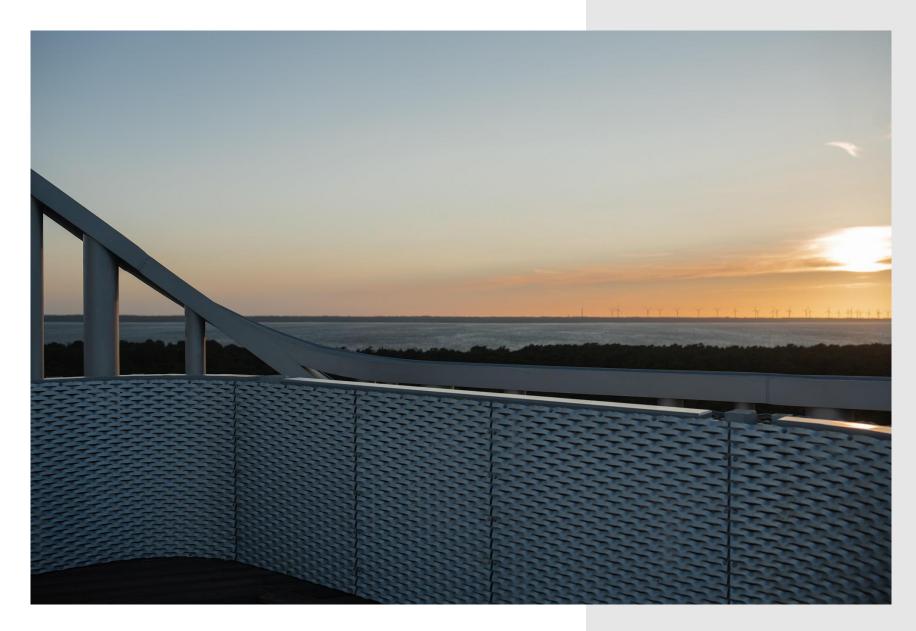




## **Arvo Pärt Centre activities - residencies**









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