

## Stephan Marc Schneider

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**Stephan Marc Schneider** was born on 17 May 1970 in Karlsruhe, Germany. Following studies in theory and jazz improvisation, as well as classical guitar instruction from teachers including Andreas Grün, he studied composition with Ulrich Leyendecker at the Music Academy Heidelberg-Mannheim.

His works have been heard in performances and radio broadcasts in various countries, including Australia, Israel, Lithuania and Italy. Schneider has also received prizes at several international composition competitions, including the Vocal Music Week in Wittlich, the Composers' Competition in Winterthur, the Composers' Workshop of the Hamburg State Opera and the Johann Joseph Fux Music Prize of the Province of Styria. Moreover, he has received stipends from the Wilhelm Müller Foundation and the Province of Styria.

At present, Schneider is working on ballet music to Federico García Lorca's drama "Bernarda Alba's House", a work commissioned by the Vorpommern State Theatre. In December 2002, Schneider's media opera "Scheerbart-Szenen: Platzende Kometen" (Scheerbart-Scenes: Exploding Comets) was performed in Hanover and Göttingen. Stephan Marc Schneider lives in Karlsruhe.