

BIOGRAPHY – SEBASTIAN COMBERTI – cellist

Born in London, **SEBASTIAN COMBERTI** studied in Italy with Amedeo Baldovino and later with Derek Simpson and Sidney Griller at the Royal Academy of Music. He was a founder member of the Bochmann Quartet until 1983 when he became principal cello with the London Mozart Players. He plays with a number of chamber groups including Trio Goya and Divertimenti.

A keen interest in historically informed performance has resulted in participation with a great many of London's period instrument groups, appearing as principal cello and soloist with the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment and the Hanover Band.

As a member of several chamber groups he has recorded for CRD, EMI, Harmonia Mundi, Hyperion, Meridian, Phoenix and RCA and CPO. In April 2001 Sebastian Comberti founded the Cd label **Cello Classics**, devoted to recordings of rare repertoire and artists, himself releasing several Cds of sonatas by Boccherini, Stephen Paxton and early 19th Century works with fortepiano, and concertos by Haydn and Zumsteeg with the OAE