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The [Trio Johannes](#) is an internationally renowned chamber ensemble founded in 1993 by Francesco Manara, Massimo Polidori and Claudio Voghera, three friends who share a passion for chamber music. Each member of the Trio Johannes boasts an impressive list of prestigious competition awards and musical achievements: violinist [Francesco Manara](#) won First Prize at the *Concours International d'Execution Musicale* of Geneva in 1993 and was chosen by Riccardo Muti as Concertmaster of the La Scala Opera Orchestra in Milan; after winning First Prize *Virtuosité* at Conservatory of Geneva, cellist [Massimo Polidori](#) took up the position of first cello in the La Scala Opera Orchestra; pianist [Claudio Voghera](#), a pupil of Aldo Ciccolini, won the *Grand Prix de Sonates Violon et Piano* at the *Academy of Lausanne* in 1993 and is a Professor of Principal Piano at the Conservatory of Turin.

The Trio Johannes studied at the Trieste International Superior Chamber Music School with the famous Italian Piano Trio *Trio di Trieste* thanks to a scholarship offered by *De Sono Associazione for the Music* and were awarded a special merit Diploma in 1995.

In May 2000 the Trio Johannes toured South America appearing in the major concert halls in Argentina, Uruguay and Brazil.

The trio has received important international awards: Second Prize at the *Third International Trio di Trieste Competition* in 1998, Second Prize at the *Osaka Third International Chamber Music Competition* in 1999 and First Prize at the *50th Concert Artists Guild Competition* of New York in 2000.

After these successes the ensemble has performed for important concert series throughout Italy and Europe: for the Music Societies of Padua, Vicenza, Florence, Bologna, Turin, Milan, Suisse Romande Radio of Geneva.

The Trio Johannes made their debut in the United States in 2001 holding performances for the most prestigious concert Societies, such as Weill Recital Hall at the Carnegie Hall, Pittsburgh Chamber Music Society and Market Square Concerts in Harrisburg.

The Trio Johannes recorded the complete Johannes Brahms Piano Trio and Piano Quartet for the prestigious musical magazine *Amadeus* that met great success and recently their recording include Maurice Ravel chamber music for *Brilliant*.

In 2014 they made their debut at *Teatro a La Scala* in Milan.