

# Tommas Betsalel

Percussionist



Tom Betsalel is an Israeli percussionist born into an artistic family in 1986. He studied under Arie Kfir and Alon Bor and later at the age of 20 joined the West Eastern Divan Orchestra under Daniel Barenboim. Known for his exceptional talent, Betsalel has performed with prestigious orchestras like the Israel Philharmonic, Bayerischen Staatsorchester, the Munich Philharmonic Orchestra and the Konzerthaus Berlin. He has collaborated with renowned conductors such as Zubin Mehta, Pierre Boulez, Kiril Petrenko, Kent Nagano and Gustavo Dudamel.

As a soloist, he has premiered works and showcased his skills worldwide. Betsalel currently holds positions as principal timpanist with the Israel Symphony Orchestra Rishon LeZion. His performances have taken him to esteemed venues and festivals globally, including Salzburg Festival, Lucerne Festival, BBC Proms, Carnegie Hall and others. Betsalel is recognized as an Official Premier Artist of Marimba One since 2018.