## THERION Con Orquesta

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## A once-in-a-lifetime celebration of THERION's artistry, passion, and vision!

Swedish symphonic metal pioneers **THERION** made history once again in 2024 by performing live with a full orchestra, 17 years after their last monumental shows of this kind. Following their unforgettable appearances in Romania (2006) and Hungary (2007), the legendary outfit returned to the orchestral stage in spectacular fashion for their very first arena show, captivating a sold-out crowd of 11,000 at Mexico City Arena. Entitled **Con Orquesta**, this landmark performance will be immortalized as a precious chapter of the band's legacy, set for release on January 30, 2026 via Napalm Records in various physical formats, including several strictly limited editions.

After the two European experiences, **THERION** mastermind Christofer Johnsson was uncertain whether he would ever bring another orchestra live project back to life. In the end, his decision proved more than worthwhile. Together with the Orquesta Sinfónica Nacional de México, the band delivered an incomparable symphonic metal spectacle, enriching classics with new arrangements and expanding their sonic universe in grand, orchestral style. "In the past, our concept was more like **THERION** going classical, with the band and the symphonic orchestra meeting on an equal basis. Thus, we did a fully orchestral version of one song and it was divided almost 50/50 between playing **THERION** songs and classical excerpts being rearranged for band and orchestra", reflects Johnsson. "This time, however, I wanted to take a different approach. I invited a renowned conductor and composer from Mexico to reinterpret our songs by adding new arrangements and expanding the originals with the orchestra. They also wrote some new intros and small interludes, making this a truly authentic Mexican interpretation of **THERION** live with orchestra."

The *Con Orquesta* setlist spans **THERION**'s illustrious career with 20 tracks in total, blending fan favorites, symphonic epics, and rare gems. As a bonus, it also features exclusive rehearsal material. From powerful classics like "The Blood of Kingu", "To Mega Therion" and "The Rise of Sodom and Gomorrah" to emotional highlights such as "The Birth of Venus Illegitima", "Siren of the Woods", and "Lemuria", the performance bridges eras of the band's history. Unique inclusions like the Marie Laforêt cover "Mon Amour mon Ami" and Sylvie Vartan cover "La Maritza" showcase **THERION**'s genre-defying artistry, while the massive "Draconian Trilogy" and "Via Nocturna" unfold with new orchestral grandeur. **Con Orquesta** marks a celebration of the **THERION** universe proving once more why they remain the undisputed pioneers of symphonic metal. A must-have for every fan and collector!