**BORUSAN VIRTUOSI**

It is quite common for leading symphonic ensembles around the world to extract chamber ensembles, quartets or virtuosic ensembles from among their musicians for specific occasions. Formed of the 12 section leaders of the Borusan Istanbul Philharmonic Orchestra (BIPO) Borusan Virtuosi is the product of a similar endeavor following the footsteps of the Borusan Quartet which has become a success in its own right. The ensemble was founded in January 2012 by BIPO’s artistic director and principal conductor Sascha Goetzel and gave their first concert in June 2012 at the Celsus Library in the antique town of Ephesus for a special celebration.

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