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## Bavarian Music

In a short video we present two examples of Bavarian Music and songs.

The video clips are an excerpt of a concert by

**the Choir "Harmonie Olching"**

LINK: <https://youtu.be/x24uWueyWsw>

1. Hammered Dulcimer (Hackbrett): Thomas Wegler

Guitar: Rita Nowak-Kreuzer

Titel: „Bravogalopp“

2. Choir Song Titel: „Der Bayerische Himmel“

Hammered dulcimers and other instruments are traditionally played in Bavaria and all the Alps regions.

In the Alps there are also chromatic dulcimers with crossed strings, which are in a whole tone distance in every row. This chromatic *Salzburger hackbrett* was developed in the mid 1930s from the diatonic hammered dulcimer by Tobi Reizer and his son along with Franz Peyer and Heinrich Bandzauner.

Hammered dulcimers are very popular for festivities, e.g. at weddings.

The choir “Harmonie Olching” was founded in 1904. At the beginning it was a men choir, but in 1959, a women choir was created and finally a mixed choir was formed.

Due to the COVID-pandemic the choir had to pause for over one year. Activities started in June 2021 again.

In all concerts the choir presents traditional German and Bavarian songs but also classical and international ones.

**Music is a universal language that does not know borders!**



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