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## Death of Liselotte Orff

The management board and board of trustees of the Carl-Orff Foundation in Dießen am Ammersee mourn the death of Liselotte Orff who passed away on 19 September 2012 shortly after her 82nd birthday. In accordance with her wishes, her funeral will take place in a private ceremony.

Liselotte Orff was married to the composer Carl Orff from 1960 to 1982 and, following his death, became the long-standing director of the Carl Orff Foundation. Several years ago, she was appointed as honorary director of the foundation.

She devoted her life to the nurture of Carl Orff's works which was borne out by her personal attendance at numerous performances of his compositions. She attached special importance to the Orff-Schulwerk which she continued to promote with a high degree of commitment and competence

Liselotte Orff was awarded the Bundesverdienstkreuz [German Federal Cross of Merit] for her great dedication. In 2011, the Bavarian minister president Horst Seehofer presented her with the Bavarian Verdienstorden [Order of Merit].

With the death of Liselotte Orff, the Carl Orff Foundation has lost a vital advocate and dialogue partner and also a witness of the creative works of Carl Orff to whom she devoted her entire love and strength.