

Maurice André

Ales, France

- 1933 Maurice Andre is born on May 21st in Ales, France. His father Marcel-Jean is a coal miner and trumpet player.
- 1945 He receives his first cornet, a used Couesnon.
- 1946 His natural talent prompts his father to set him up with his first teacher, Leon Barthelemy.
- 1951 Maurice goes to Paris and enters the Conservatoire under teacher Raymond Sabarich.
- 1953 Maurice starts playing second trumpet with the Philharmonic Societe des Conservatoires and with the Radio France Philharmonic Orchestra. He is playing a trumpet made by Aubertin.
- 1954 Maurice wins the Geneva International Music Competition; he starts doing recordings and ends with over 300 by his retirement.
- 1962 Maurice leaves the Radio Orchestra to join the Opera-Comique.
- 1963 Maurice wins the Munich International Music Competition
- 1964 Maurice starts as a professor at the Conservatoire. He is using a three valve piccolo trumpet by Selmer that they add a fourth valve to in 1967.
- 1978 End of teaching at Conservatoire
- 1990 Retires to Basque country in early 1990s.
- 2012 Maurice dies on February 25th in Bayonne.

He used an Aubertin C trumpet, Selmer K-modified and later Radial Bb trumpets, and the Selmer piccolo trumpet. The Bb & C trumpets used a Bach 1.5C mouthpiece and the piccolo used a Bach 7DW.

