

Watford Philharmonic Society - Notices 2nd September 2019

WELCOME BACK ! We hope you are refreshed and ready for an exciting 85th season with the WPS !

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU COLLECT YOUR MUSIC FROM LIBRARIANS JOHN AND SHEILA MALIN !

KEY DATES TO WATCH OUT FOR

- **Monday September 16th**: Open rehearsal. Tell your friends !
 - **Monday October 7th** : Our AGM will take place at 7.30pm. Rehearsal will start immediately afterwards and will be extended to 10pm.
 - **Saturday October 26th**: Our pre-concert workshop. It will be held in the Great Hall, Bushey Arena. Further details to follow.
 - **Sunday November 3rd**: 1st concert of our 85th season – Fauré's Cantique, Puccini's Messa di Gloria, Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto
- Also:**
- **Sunday October 20th**: Our orchestra's workshop on Schubert's 6th symphony at Nascot Wood Recital Hall from 2pm to 5 pm.

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE FOR CONCERT

2nd Sept Kyrie / Gloria to Laudamus Te. **9th Sept** Kyrie / Laudamus te to Cum Sancto spiritu
16th Sept Sanctus / Cum Sancto spiritu to the end **23rd Sept** Benedictus / credo to et incarnatus est
30th Sept Agnus / et incarnatus est to et vitam **7th Oct** AGM / Et vitam to end / run Gloria
14th Oct complete run **21st Oct** as needed **28th Oct** Sitzprobe

A MESSAGE FROM VICE CHAIRMAN JUDY: 2019 Members' Survey

Many thanks to all those who have already completed and returned their questionnaires to Judy. **If you have NOT yet done so, please leave them in the box at the back of the room tonight or at the very latest, return them by next week (Monday 9th September).** The questionnaire was sent out to everyone in the summer mailing, followed by electronic copies emailed out last week.

Once collated, your responses and comments will be used to help us determine various options for the future of the Society and we will feed back some of the findings later this term. It's your Society – help us to shape its development.

REHEARSAL RESOURCES FOR NOVEMBER CONCERT

Choraline <https://www.choraline.com/> rehearsal CDs and their Easy-stream and download service
Cyberbass <http://www.cyberbass.com/>
John's Midi File Choral Music site www.learnchoralmusic.co.uk – Puccini and Faure
Choralia www.choralia.net/

Michael's recommendations on performance clips of both works – to follow Please see the updated Rehearsal Resources information sheet, available on our website, for further information
<http://watfordphilharmonic.co.uk/>

FROM PUBLICITY MANAGER PAM: OUR NEW-LOOK WEBSITE

Welcome back to another exciting, challenging and above all enjoyable Season of making music with WPS! During the summer break, many members have been beavering away on different projects and duties to ensure the Society works as well as possible.

We are delighted to say that a small '*band of brothers*' – Judy, Tim Pettigrew, Paul, Nikki, Margaret, David Santamaria and Pam have been working hard under the direction of the amazing Steve Crocker to produce our **ALL NEW AND IMPROVED WEBSITE**.

On it, you will find all the information you need about YOUR SOCIETY. Concert dates, history, plenty of Members' info, rehearsal schedules, ticketing, your committee, and the professionals who ensure that the Society runs smoothly.

When you get home tonight, log on to www.watfordphilharmonic.co.uk and have a browse. We intend to use the website for many different purposes which will make life and communication with all our members far easier and importantly, project our image to the outside world, so they know who we are and what we are doing!

Give it a try – we are sure you will like it! Pam (Publicity Manager)

P.S. Please don't worry if you do not use the internet – we will still maintain terrestrial communication with printed notices at rehearsals!

USEFUL HANDOUTS (also available on our website <http://watfordphilharmonic.co.uk/>) A small number of spare copies of the 2019/20 Rehearsal Schedule, Rehearsal Resources and Ticket Incentive Scheme are on Margaret's desk at the back of the hall.