

Watford Philharmonic Society – Notices 4th October 2021

FORTHCOMING KEY DATES

Our preconcert workshop is **THIS COMING SATURDAY 9th October from 10am to 4pm** in **St Luke's Church, Langley Way, Watford WD17 3EG**. The cost is £10, payable at sign-up at rehearsal tonight or on the door. Please bring your own refreshments.

Our AGM is **NEXT MONDAY 11th October at 7pm sharp**. The AGM papers, including nomination papers, have been posted on our website. There are six posts for nomination – please see over for more details.

TRANSLATION OF THE *AVE VERUM CORPUS*

Here are the words of the *Ave Verum Corpus* for those of you who like to understand what they are singing.....

Ave verum corpus natum de Maria virgine	Hail true body born of the Virgin Mary
Vere passum immolatum in cruce pro homine	Who having truly suffered was sacrificed on the cross for mankind
Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit sanguine	Whose pierced side flowed with water and blood
Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine	May it be for us a foretaste [of the Heavenly banquet] in the trial of death.

REPEAT MESSAGE FROM OUR MUSIC LIBRARIANS!

Please could the few remaining members who borrowed music for the "Come back and Sing Day" on 25th July return their copies as soon as possible. The copies in question are - Haydn Creation, Les Miserables and a White Booklet including various items. - Sheila and John

CONCERT TICKETS FOR SATURDAY OCTOBER 23RD

Our first concert at Bushey Arena's Grand Hall will be on **Saturday 23 October** when we will perform an all-Mozart programme to include the *Requiem*, *Ave Verum* and the *Jupiter* Symphony. For anyone unable to access the internet, we have set up a telephone Box Office on **07843 192016**. Seating will be unreserved.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRMAN re: Mozart Requiem Programme

Can you help? To continue to produce our informative and professional looking programmes we need to attract advertisers to ensure they are self-funding. I know we are in very different and difficult times, but a £20 'business card' ad is a reasonable offer - 4 ads make a full page. £40 half page and £80 full. All ads are in full colour and we will organise layout from copy if necessary - otherwise jpeg is great. Please approach all your local businesses or consider sending a message yourself - it would be a shame to lose this important element of WPS' concert performances .

USEFUL DOCUMENTS

Revised rehearsal schedules for choir and orchestra are on our website The choir rehearsal time and duration will be reviewed at the end of 2021. A new website for basses (mainly) – BassHymn (<http://basshymn.blogspot.com>) has been added to the list of **Rehearsal Resources** (Thank you Peter Zecchin!). New **ChoralLine** leaflets giving details of their rehearsal resources are now available at the back of the hall.

THE "WPC CHAIRS TEAM"

Thank you to the six people who have come forward and offered to help to set up the hall safely for our rehearsals. Please comply with the socially distanced seating plan for which they are responsible. For your safety there are also bottles of hand sanitizer located at strategic points around the room. Windows, hall doors and the Fire Exit door will be left open to ensure adequate ventilation.

FUTURE WEEKLY NOTICES

Please note that all future weekly notices will be emailed to members on Sunday evenings as regularly as possible and also posted onto our website. We respectfully suggest that it is the responsibility of individual members to ensure that they check in advance of rehearsals to ensure that they are up to date with essential information.

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AGM

The Society's AGM will be held on **Monday 11th October** at the earlier start time of **7.00pm** at Watford Girls' Grammar School. Several essential committee posts will be up for election, including the key role of Publicity Manager left vacant following Pam's 'elevation' to Chairman earlier this year. Social Activities Co-ordinator has remained unfilled for several seasons and other posts are likely to become vacant in the next two seasons. We cannot run the Society without a team of people willing to share responsibility for its wide-ranging business and those of us who've been around for some time were beginning to feel a bit stretched pre-lockdown. Here is a list of this season's committee members with dates when their current 2-year period of office comes to an end. **An asterisk * signifies that a postholder is eligible for re-election – should they be prepared to put themselves forward for a further 2 year term!**

Post	Post-holder	Current term ends
Chair	Pam Allanson	October 2023
Vice-Chair	Judy Newton-Davies	October 2021 *
Secretary	Audrey Adams	October 2022
Treasurer	Paul Buckley	October 2022
Concert Manager	Frances Pyatt	October 2021 *
Publicity & Marketing Manager	Vacant	
Membership Secretary	Nikki Hind	October 2021 *
IT projects Manager	Tim Pettigrew	October 2021 *
Social Activities Co-ordinator	Vacant	

Co-opted

Rehearsals Manager: Margaret Burke

Orchestra Representative: Lindsey St John Smith

Ex-officio

Music Director: Michael Cayton

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Please let us know should you test positive in the next 14 days – members@watfordphilharmonic.co.uk