LEEDS LUNCHTIME ORGAN MUSIC 2022/23

Mondays at 1.15pm eeds Cathedral





LEEDSARTS EVENTS&VENUES



We're once again hugely grateful to St Anne's Cathedral for hosting our Monday lunchtime concerts for another season.

As always, we have a wide range of repertoire and recitalists, including our visits from Thomas Trotter and Gordon Stewart which are always greatly enjoyed. A new departure is a concert by young students in the Royal College of Organists' education programme, and we're delighted to have a rare visit from Dr Colin Walsh, renowned for his performances of French repertoire.

Our request programme takes place in February as usual – don't forget to send in your suggestions. We really appreciate your continued support, so please spread the word to encourage even more people to enjoy this fantastic free series.

Darius Battiwalla Leeds City Organist

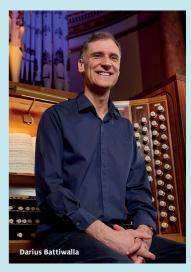
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19 September 2022

DARIUS BATTIWALLA

Leeds City Organist

FELIX MENDELSSOHN arr BEST Overture: St Paul

JS BACH Schmücke Dich, O liebe Seele

FELA SOWANDE Oyigiyigi: Introduction, Theme and Variations

EDWIN LEMARE Rondo Capriccio (a study in accents)

CAMILLE SAINT-SAËNS arr LEMARE My heart at thy sweet voice

ALFRED HOLLINS Morceau de Concert (en forme de Valse)

The Town Hall organ tradition is celebrated in the opening concert with works by WT Best, Lemare and Hollins, along with a rare chance to hear a major work by the great Nigerian composer Fela Sowande.



Phoebe Tak Man Chow



26 September 2022

PHOEBE TAK MAN CHOW

St Martin-in-the-Fields, London

IS BACH Prelude & Fugue in D, BWV 532

ROGER WIBBERLEY Ubi Caritas

RENÉ BECKER Sonata No 1: Praeludium Festivum: Praver: Toccata

IOSEF RHEINBERGER Sonata No 8

Trained at the Royal College of Music and having held church and cathedral positions in the UK and Ireland. Phoebe is currently Director of Music at All Saints. Orpington, and organ scholar at St Martin-in-the-Fields.

3 October 2022

ANTHONY GRITTEN

Royal Academy of Music

PIERRE KUNC Grand Piece Symphonique

DANIEL ROTH Christus Factus Est

JEAN-JACQUES GRUNENWALD Deux Hymnes

FRITZ KREISLER arr P JAMES Caprice Viennois; Der Alte Refrain; Liebeslied; Liebesfreud

Head of undergraduate studies at the Royal Academy of Music, Anthony Gritten is known for a large and wide-ranging repertoire. His programme includes a piece by the organist of St-Sulpice, Daniel Roth, and arrangements of some of Fritz Kreisler's most famous salon pieces.

10 October 2022

THOMAS MOORE Wakefield

NORMAN COCKER Tuba tune

HERBERT HOWELLS Rhapsody No 1

NICOLAUS BRUHNS Praeludium in G

REGINALD GOSS-CUSTARD Chelsea Fayre

LOUIS LEFÉBURE-WÈLY Boléro de Concert

ALEXANDRE GUILMANT Fantasy on two English melodies

Thomas Moore's programme includes some of the most popular pieces in the recital repertoire, opening with Cocker's famous Tuba Tune. Guilmant's fantasy on Home Sweet Home and Rule, Britannia! concludes the programme.

17 October 2022

DR DAVID HILL

President. Royal College of Organists

HERBERT HOWELLS Rhapsody No 3

CÉSAR FRANCK Choral No 2

LOUIS LEFÉBURE-WÈLY Verset in G

HEALEY WILLAN Introduction, Passacaglia & Fugue

Well-known to Leeds audiences as a conductor. David Hill also has an international career as a recitalist and educator. Healey Willan's monumental Introduction, Passacaglia and Fugue concludes the concert.

24 October 2022

DARIUS BATTIWALLA

Leeds City Organist

LYNNWOOD FARNAM Toccata on O Filii et Filiae

IEANNE DEMESSIEUX Variations on O Filii et Filiae

CHARLES-MARIE WIDOR Symphonie No 4: Andante Cantabile

CHARLES VILLIERS STANFORD Sonata Froïca

The main work in today's recital, Stanford's great First World War sonata, is dedicated to 'Charles-Marie Widor and the great nation to which he belongs'. The first movement is based on the plainsong O filii which also inspired the first two works in the programme.





31 October 2022

TOM BELL Concert Organist

JOHANNES BRAHMS Prelude & Fugue in G minor

JS BACH Wo soll ich fliehen hin, BWV 694

ARNOLD SCHOENBERG Variations on a Recitative

JOHANNES BRAHMS Choralvorspiel Schmücke dich, O liebe Seele

CÉSAR FRANCK Choral No 3

Tom has performed across Europe, Australia, the Far East, and the USA. Today's mostly German programme features Schoenberg's only work for the organ and ends with Franck's most famous organ composition.



Katherine Dienes



7 November 2022

KATHERINE DIENES WILLIAMS

Guildford Cathedral

GRAYSTON IVES Intrada

ELIZABETH STIRLING Movement

CÉSAR FRANCK Prelude, Fugue and Variation

JACQUES VAN OORTMERSSEN Nun ruhen alle Wälder

CECILIA McDOWALL Church bells beyond the stars

NICO MUHLY The Revd Mustard his Installation Prelude

FRANCIS JACKSON Diversion for mixtures

Katherine Dienes Williams was the first woman to be appointed as a Cathedral music director. Born and educated in New Zealand, she held posts at Winchester Cathedral and St Mary's, Warwick before being appointed to Guildford Cathedral.

14 November 2022

TIM HARPER Ripon Cathedral

RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS arr GREG MORRIS English Folk Song Suite

PETER TRANCHELL Sonata for Organ (1958)

FRANCIS JACKSON Seven Pieces: Praeludium

CÉSAR FRANCK Final

Formerly a Cambridge Organ Scholar, Tim Harper has been awarded the silver medal of the Worshipful Company of Musicians and won prizes at ARCO and FRCO examinations. Assistant organist at Ripon Cathedral, he is also in demand as an improviser, jazz musician and continuo player.

21 November 2022

DARIUS BATTIWALLA

Leeds City Organist

HERBERT HOWELLS arr J CLINCH Kings Herald

DARIUS MILHAUD Pastorale

ANTONIO VIVALDI arr JS BACH Concerto in A minor

ETHEL SMYTH Chorale Prelude & Fugue O Traurigkeit

MARCEL DUPRÉ Symphonie Passion: Le monde dans l'attente de Sauveur

The heroic *Kings Herald* was written by Howells for the National Brass Band championships and has been newly arranged for organ by Dr Jonathan Clinch. The concert concludes with a look ahead to Advent with the mighty opening movement to Dupré's *Symphonie Passion*.

28 November 2022

DR COLIN WALSH

Organist Emeritus, Lincoln Cathedral

CHARLES TOURNEMIRE transc DURUFLÉ Two Improvisations

CÉSAR FRANCK Fantaisie in A

JEAN LANGLAIS Suite Médiévale: *Communion*

LOUIS VIERNE Symphonie No 1: Allegro Vivace (Scherzo)

LOUIS VIERNE Pièces de Fantaisie: *Toccata*

For many years organist at Lincoln Cathedral, Colin Walsh is one of the UK's most eminent recitalists. He has given recitals all over the UK – including two at the Royal Festival Hall – and internationally, he has also held positions at St George's Chapel, Windsor, and St Alban's and Salisbury Cathedrals.

5 December 2022

WHITWORTH BRASS SEPTET

After the ensemble's first appearance last year, we're delighted to welcome back the Whitworth Brass Septet from the RNCM to join Darius Battiwalla for virtuoso brass music and some seasonal items including carols for all to sing along.

12 December 2022

LEEDS CATHEDRAL CHOIR

(Senior Boys Choir, Senior Girls Choir, Choral Scholars)

THOMAS LEECH & DAVID PIPE conductors

DAVID GREALY organ MARY REID

harp

The Choirs of Leeds Cathedral give their traditional performance of Britten's *Ceremony of Carols*, together with festive music including *O Holy Night* and audience carols.

9 January 2023

DR GORDON STEWART

Organist Emeritus, Huddersfield Town Hall

THOMAS HEWITT-JONES Exultatio

JS BACH Prelude & Fugue in D minor, BWV 539

FREDERIC WOOD Scenes in Kent

ANDREW CARTER Three Variations on an Eriskay Love Lilt

JOSEPH CALLAERTS Toccata in D

Gordon Stewart, a regular and highly popular performer in the series, explores some delightful but lesser-known repertoire including works by Blackpool organist Frederic Wood and the Belgian Joseph Callaerts, along with Bach's famous 'fiddle' fugue in D minor.

16 January 2023

DARIUS BATTIWALLA

Leeds City Organist

DAVID BEDFORD Carillon

NADIA BOULANGER Three pieces

JS BACH Toccata & Fugue in F, BWV 540

LOUIS VIERNE Symphonie No 6: Scherzo

CHARLES-MARIE WIDOR Symphonie No 8: Moderato cantabile; Final

Today's concert begins with David Bedford's short and colourful *Carillon* and concludes with the dark and dramatic finale to Widor's eighth organ symphony. One of Bach's largest scale organ works – famous for its pedal solos – provides the centrepiece of the programme.

23 January 2023

JAMES ORFORD

London

AUGUST RITTER Sonata No 2

MAURICE DURUFLÉ Suite Op 5: Sicilienne

ANTONIO VIVALDI Concerto in F, Op 3, No 7

LOUIS VIERNE Symphonie No 4: Romance; Final

James Orford has given recitals at venues all over the UK, including St Paul's, Westminster and Liverpool Cathedrals, several Cambridge college chapels, and the Royal Festival Hall. His recital includes one of the concertos from his transcription of Vivaldi's *L'estro Armonico*, which he has recently recorded to great acclaim.

FRANCESCA MASSEY

Concert organist

PERCY WHITLOCK

Sonata in C minor (complete)

Francesca Massey's recordings and recitals have received wide critical acclaim. She makes a welcome return visit to the series with a complete performance of Whitlock's sonata, a major English organ work with influences of Rachmaninov, Delius, and Elgar.

6 February 2023

BLACK DYKE BAND SOLOISTS

DARIUS BATTIWALLA organ

RICHARD MARSHALL principal cornet

BRETT BAKER principal trombone

We're delighted to welcome principal cornet and principal trombone soloists from the Black Dyke Band to join Darius in a programme of virtuoso showpieces and popular favourites.

13 February 2023

ALAN HORSEY

Halifax

KENNETH LEIGHTON Paean

CHARLES CALLAHAN Aria

JS BACH Prelude & Fugue in C, BWV 545

HERBERT HOWELLS Sarabande for the 12th Day of any October

WILLIAM MATHIAS Jubilate

JOSEF RHEINBERGER Sonata No 4

A regular and popular performer at the Town Hall recitals, Alan Horsey's first performance on the St Anne's organ features English 20th century composers and finishes with a major work by one of the great German romantics.

20 February 2023

DARIUS BATTIWALLA

Leeds City Organist

REQUEST PROGRAMME

If there's a piece you've enjoyed in a previous series or a neglected masterpiece you'd like to hear, then please send requests (before Christmas) to: **music@leeds.gov.uk** or Leeds International Concert Season, Carriageworks Theatre, The Electric Press, 3 Millennium Square, Leeds, LS2 3AD.

27 February 2023

ALEX WOODROW

Leeds Minster

JOSEPH JONGEN Prelude & Fugue, Op 121

JS BACH Trio Sonata No 1

FELIX MENDELSSOHN Sonata No 1

HUBERT PARRY Fantasia & Fugue in G

Alex Woodrow has held organist positions at Hexham Abbey, Guildford Cathedral, and St Alban's Abbey before his appointment at Bradford Cathedral where he was the youngest cathedral organist in the country. He is currently director of music at Leeds Minster and enjoys a busy career as recitalist and choral director.

6 March 2023

DR THOMAS TROTTER

Birmingham City Organist

JS BACH Concerto in G after Prince Johann Ernst

GUSTAV MERKEL

Variations on a theme of Beethoven

GYÖRGY LIGETI Five Movements from *Musica Ricercata*

CHARLES VILLIERS STANFORD Fantasia & Toccata, Op 57

Thomas Trotter concludes his popular annual visit to the series with one of Stanford's bestknown organ compositions. His programme also includes one of Bach's concerto transcriptions and some of Ligeti's delicate miniatures.

13 March 2023

DARIUS BATTIWALLA

Leeds City Organist

JOHANN STRAUSS I Radetzky March

FELIX MENDELSSOHN Two Preludes & Fugues

PERCY WHITLOCK Fantasie Choral No 2

JUDITH BINGHAM St Bride, Assisted by Angels

JOSÉPHINE BOULAY Andante

GERSHWIN arr BATTIWALLA Overture: *Girl Crazy*

Transcriptions begin and end today's programme. Gershwin's *Girl Crazy* overture includes some of his most famous songs including *Embraceable You* and *I Got Rhythm*. Whitlock's lyrical Fantasie Choral No 2 has echoes of Vaughan Williams in its folksonglike themes.

20 March 2023

RCO YOUNG PERFORMERS CONCERT

A concert featuring two outstanding performers from the RCO schools' education programme.











27 March 2023

HENRY FAIRS

JOHANN HARTMANN Sonata: *Allegro*

EDWARD ELGAR arr BREWER Chanson de Matin

ROBERT SCHUMANN Four Sketches

CHARLES TOURNEMIRE transc DURUFLÉ Petite rapsodie improvisée

PERCY WHITLOCK Four Extemporisations: *Fidelis, Fanfare*

Henry Fairs is professor of organ at the Universität der Künste, Berlin. He has performed and broadcast all over the world and has served on the juries of leading international organ competitions. Performances in the UK have included recitals in the Grand Organ Festival at Westminster Cathedral, Celebrity Organ Series at St Paul's Cathedral and Summer Organ Festival at Westminster Abbey.



3 April 2023

DARIUS BATTIWALLA

Leeds City Organist

FELA SOWANDE Gloria

SS WESLEY Andante Cantabile in G

JS BACH Prelude & Fugue in B minor, BWV 544

EDWARD BAIRSTOW Three Pieces

JOSEPH JONGEN Menuet-Scherzo

EDWIN LEMARE Toccata di Concerto

Our final recital includes works by Jongen, whose 150th anniversary falls this year, and English works by Bairstow and Wesley. Lemare's formidable *Toccata* – in the French style but with definite echoes of Wagner – concludes the series.









ORGAN RENEWAL PROJECT AT LEEDS TOWN HALL

Work on the renewal of the Town Hall organ is well under way. Apart from the massive front pipes, which are stored on the floor of the stalls awaiting redecoration, the organ has been completely removed to Nicholson & Co's workshop in Malvern.

Renovation of the existing pipes is progressing well, and many new parts and components have been manufactured and delivered. We need your support for this exciting project so please visit www.leedstownhall.co.uk for more information. and you can see pictures of the work in progress at www.nicholsonorgans.co.uk.

Thank you.

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