Saturday 13th November 2010 Leicester Cathedral 7.30pm

Finzi
In Terra Pax

Holst
Two Psalms

Vaughan Williams
Five Mystical Songs

*Debussy*Danse Sacreé et Danse Profane *Bernstein*

Chichester Psalms

Thursday 2nd December 2010
St James the Greater 7.30pm
Saturday 4th December 2010
Birmingham Town Hall 7.30pm

Divine Music Trumpets and Voices

The life and music of Handel with **Harry Enfield** as **Handel**

David Blackadder - Trumpet Ruby Hughes - Soprano Christopher Lowrey - Counter-tenor Giles Underwood - Bass



The Rinaldo Consort

Conducted by Benedict Hoffnung

Saturday 15th January 2011 St Mary's Church, Knighton

Come and Sing
Puccini
Messa di Gloria

Saturday 9th April 2011 St James the Greater

JS Bach St Matthew Passion

Saturday 11th June 2011 St James the Greater 7.30pm

> Summer Concert

For more details about the concerts, please check our website:

www.leicesterbachchoir.org.uk



Richard Laing

Music Director

and Conductor

The 2010/11 season will be Richard's eighth with the choir. Richard is one of the most exciting and versatile

conductors in Britain today. He is Music Director of Nottingham Harmonic Society, Operamus and several orchestras around the Midlands; he is a frequent guest conductor with Sinfonia ViVA, Birmingham Philharmonia Orchestra, Chandos Symphony Orchestra and Oueen's Park Sinfonia.

Richard was the first ViVA Scholar at the Birmingham Conservatoire where he gained his Master's Degree, Postgraduate Diploma in Conducting and the Postgraduate Prize. He has given concerts throughout Europe and has conducted for Kent Opera, Dartington Festival Opera and Birmingham Conservatoire Opera where he works as conductor and coach. Richard is in demand as a leader of orchestral and choral workshops across the UK and has lectured at universities in America and Australia.



Joanne Lunn *President*

Joanne performs around the world as a soprano soloist and has worked with the choir in rehearsals and workshops. She says:

"I am honoured to be President to this great Choir in my home city! Why? Because the choir is a vibrant, enthusiastic and friendly group who produce good choral music in a demanding schedule of concerts each year. They not only sing as a group but work hard to fundraise for future concerts, and from what I have experienced with them, they have great fun together. Surely that is what music making is all about."

Reviews

June 2010

"The Leicester Bach Choir during Richard Laing's time as Music Director, has become an exceptional ensemble with a distinctive musical personality and sense of purpose. That's not to say it's perfect - thank goodness.... With the LBC and its inspiring conductor there's an exhilarating sense of excitement and spontaneity - of pushing to the limits, with all the risk that involves ... it's compelling music making, full of life and spirit"

March 2010

"An evening of sumptuous choral music made up of two substantial masterpieces and two delightful smaller-scale works was presented by Leicester Bach Choir with Queen's Park Sinfonia and soloists. ... Conductor Richard Laing achieved balance and articulation from the impressive choir and the young orchestra were outstanding."



Dream of Gerontius, November 2009

"The choral singing was of a high standard throughout and "Praise to the Holiest in the height" was especially memorable. A capacity audience gave an enthusiastic response to this very special performance."

Tickets available from:

Churchgate Music, 45 Churchgate
Jackie White (0116) 283 2107
Tourist Information Centre, Town Hall Square
Online at - goleicestershire.com





We are a mixed choir of 55 singers performing a wide range of sacred and secular classical music. We welcome singers in all voice parts and rehearse from 7.30-9.30 on Wednesdays in St James the Greater, London Road, Leicester.

Come and Join us!

Rosie Craig would be happy to tell you more about:

- Joining the Choir you need reasonable musical ability and must be able to attend rehearsals weekly on Wednesday evenings. Entrance is by audition, although prospective singers are welcome to join rehearsals for a couple of weeks beforehand. Scholarships are available for young people to get involved with us, providing free membership and music for singers under 21, and a reduced subscription for singers under 25.
- Becoming a Friend of the Choir how to get the substantial ticket discounts associated with becoming a Friend.

Telephone Rosie on **0116 244 8084** or email: ann.craig1@googlemail.com

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