

THAMES CONCERTS' INNER CIRCLE

Join Thames Concerts' Inner Circle and become part of a dynamic group of music lovers – for as little as £25 a year. Can you afford not to?

Here's how to reap the rewards of world-class music on your doorstep:

THAMES CONCERTS MEMBERS: £25

- Priority booking for members of the Inner Circle only until 7 January 2011 for any of the season's concerts
- A Newsletter prior to each concert giving details of the programme and other offers and timely information
- Opportunity for two to attend a Rose Theatre performance at reduced prices with a Thames Concerts Inner Circle group

THAMES CONCERTS FRIENDS: £50

All of the above, plus

- Opportunity to attend a pre-rehearsal talk and the rehearsal on the afternoon prior to a selected concert
- Personal recognition in the programme for each concert during the season

THAMES CONCERTS SUPPORTERS: £150

All of the above, plus

- A 20% reduction on two £20 tickets for each Thames Concert in the 2011 season
- Complimentary interval refreshments at every concert

THAMES CONCERTS BENEFACTORS: £500

All of the above, plus

- Opportunity to meet the musicians in the interval at every concert
- Up to four free tickets for the Thames Youth Orchestra Summer Concert
- Two free tickets to all Thames Concerts associated events

THAMES CONCERTS PATRONS: £1000+

All of the above, plus

- Two free tickets for each Thames Concert during the season

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

Market Place, Kingston upon Thames KT1 1JP

TRANSPORT

BY BUS

Many buses stop immediately outside the church, in Wood Street/Clarence Street. Cromwell Road and Fairfield bus stations are a five minute walk

BY TRAIN

The Church is five minutes walk from Kingston station, with services to Shepperton, Teddington, Twickenham, Richmond, Wimbledon and Waterloo.

BY CAR

Disabled parking bays (Blue Badge holders) are in Thames Street, Church Street (Memorial Square), Union Street and Bishop's Hall.

Nearby multi-storey car parks are in Bishop's Hall (off Thames Street), the Bentalls car park (Steadfast Road), and Rose car park (East Lane).

The Market Place and Church Street are closed to traffic.

BOOKING INFORMATION

BOOKING IN PERSON

Tickets are available from four weeks before each concert to personal callers at:

- Hands Music, 5-6 The Griffin Centre, Market Place, Kingston upon Thames

BOOKING BY POST OR BY PHONE

Please complete the booking form and post to:

The Membership Secretary, Thames Concerts, Tiffin School, Queen Elizabeth Road, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey KT2 6RL.

Further forms are available to download from our website

www.thamesconcerts.org.uk or please call 07984 417278

or email thamesconcerts@aol.com

ONLINE BOOKING

- www.ticketweb.co.uk

Registered charity no 255630. Thames Concerts is a partner organisation of Tiffin School



THAMES
CONCERTS



Patron: HOWARD SHELLEY

THAMES CONCERTS 2011

French season

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH KINGSTON

FINANCIALLY
ASSISTED BY



THAMES CONCERTS 2011 : *French season*

Thames Concerts in 2011 offer the opportunity to explore French music from the Baroque to the present day, performed by some of the finest musicians in the world.

With concerts taking place in the atmospheric setting and superb acoustic of All Saints' Church Kingston (Kingston Parish Church), the repertoire includes choral music by Fauré, Debussy and Duruflé (sung by the Tiffin Boys' Choir accompanied by the London Mozart Players); 20th century chamber music by Debussy and Stravinsky accompanying Messiaen's remarkable 'Quartet for the End of Time' (played by Michael Collins, Jack Liebeck, Guy Johnston and Michael McHale); well-loved Romantic orchestral music by Massenet, Chausson and Fauré in counterpoint with Baroque music by Rameau and French-influenced Purcell and Honegger's neo-classical Concerto da Camera (with the English Chamber Orchestra making their Kingston debut); chansons and operatic arias including Berlioz's song cycle 'Les Nuits d'Ete' performed by a group of singers assembled by rising star tenor Andrew Staples; great French organ music by Poulenc, Widor, Vierne and Messiaen, featuring the magnificent Frobenius organ put through its paces by Peter Jaekel and one of the most well-known organists in the world, Simon Preston. Our associated Youth Orchestra, the Thames Youth Orchestra, complements the season with an additional summer concert which will include some of the quirky music for ballet from the French Jazz era.

Seats with a perfect view of the performers and equally perfect sound cost £100 for five concerts, and these are limited in number. Do book early to secure these numbered seats. There are packages to suit every budget, including a student ticket of £25 for five concerts. In addition, there are special benefits to joining the Inner Circle – please consider becoming a member, as this helps to secure the future of professional concerts in our neighbourhood. Without such donations, these concerts would not be able to survive.

Running alongside the concerts will be a series of associated events, including lectures on French Art and French wine-tasting. Members of the Inner Circle gain priority booking for these events, and further details will be published in the New Year. Full details about all of the concerts, including information about the performers, composers and works performed, as well as video and audio clips, can be found online at www.thamesconcerts.blogspot.com.

We are immensely grateful for the support of our many members and donors, including generous financial assistance from the Royal Borough of Kingston. We hope that you will join us for what will be an exciting season.

SIMON TOYNE
Artistic Director, Thames Concerts

THAMES CONCERTS 2011: *French season*

SATURDAY 29 JANUARY, 7:30PM

Tiffin Boys' Choir and the London Mozart Players

FAURÉ *Cantique de Jean Racine*
DEBUSSY *Trois chansons de Charles d'Orléans*
POULENC *Concerto for Organ, Strings and Timpani*
DURUFLÉ *Requiem*

Tiffin Boys' Choir
Peter Jaekel (organ)
London Mozart Players
Simon Toyne (conductor)

SATURDAY 5 FEBRUARY, 7:30PM

Michael Collins and friends

DEBUSSY *Cello Sonata*
STRAVINSKY *L'histoire du Soldat (The Soldier's Tale)*
MESSIAEN *Quatuor pour la fin du temps (Quartet for the end of time)*

Jack Liebeck (violin), Guy Johnston (cello),
Michael McHale (piano)
with Michael Collins (clarinet)

SATURDAY 26 FEBRUARY, 7:30PM

The ECO plays French orchestral music

RAMEAU *Dardanus Suite*
MASSENET *Meditation from Thais*
MASSENET *Last Sleep of the Virgin*
CHAUSSON *Poeme*
PURCELL/BRITTEN *Chacony*
FAURE *Elegy (arr. for cello and strings)*
FAURE *Apres une reve (arr. for cello and strings)*
HONEGGER *Concerto da camera for flute, cor anglais and strings*

English Chamber Orchestra
Ofer Falk (violin)
Stephanie Gonley (director)

SATURDAY 26 MARCH, 7:30PM

An evening of French Chansons and Operatic arias

Programme including
BERLIOZ *Les Nuits d'Été*

Andrew Staples (tenor) and friends;
Alisdair Hogarth (piano)

SATURDAY 30 APRIL, 7:30PM

French Organ Music on the Frobenius with Live HD video relay

Programme including
WIDOR *Symphony No 5*
VIERNE *Carillon de Westminster*
MESSIAEN *L'Ascension*

Simon Preston (organ)

SATURDAY 16 JULY, 7:30PM

Thames Youth Orchestra Summer Concert

Programme including
SATIE *Parade*
POULENC *Les Biches*

Thames Youth Orchestra
Simon Ferris (conductor)

TICKETS:

£20 front nave reserved
£15 rear nave reserved
£15 front side aisles reserved
£10 side aisles unreserved
£5 students

TICKETS FOR 16 JULY ONLY:

£10 adults
£5 children
£20 family ticket (2 adults + 2 children)
All seats unreserved

THAMES CONCERTS TICKET APPLICATION FORM: 2011 Season

PRIORITY BOOKING FOR MEMBERS OF THE INNER CIRCLE ONLY UNTIL 7 JAN 2011

TICKET PRICES

£20 front nave reserved; £15 rear nave and front side aisle reserved;

£10 side aisles unreserved; £5 students

° 16 July only: £10 adults, £5 children; £20 family ticket (2 adults, 2 children) – all unreserved.

Date	Area required	Price	No. of Tickets	Inner circle * <i>please indicate</i>	Total £
29 JAN					
5 FEB					
26 FEB					
26 MARCH					
30 APRIL					
16 JULY °					
TOTAL £					

*20% discount for supporters, benefactors and patrons and / or an allocation of free tickets apply – please refer to Inner Circle membership details, and if required, contact the Membership Secretary on 07984 417278 to calculate prices.

Name _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

Phone number _____

Email address _____

Our primary means of communication will be by email.

If you would prefer to receive information by post, please tick this box

I enclose a cheque, made payable to

THAMES CONCERTS SOCIETY, for the following amount: £

£

Please send this form to **The Membership Secretary, Thames Concerts, Tiffin School, Queen Elizabeth Road, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey KT2 6RL** or visit www.thamesconcerts.org.uk to download an electronic copy.