

# *Collegium Laureatum*

Enrolment 2024-25

Celebrating 50 years!

It is now time to start a new year for Collegium. This document describes our current plans for the forthcoming year. We may need to change these if circumstances change. This will depend on the Covid19 situation, the logistics of rehearsals and the number of members who have enrolled.

## Enrolment

Enrolment will be for the full year. We are continuing the "Home Singing" category of membership for people who would like to join in rehearsals online rather than attending in person. Note that Home Singing members will not be eligible to sing in the concert.

Full membership: £230 (This can be paid in two instalments of £115)

Home Singing membership: £60

Subscriptions should be paid before the first rehearsal on 9<sup>th</sup> September.

Please return your completed enrolment form to Eleanor Pippard either by email ([pipparde@gmail.com](mailto:pipparde@gmail.com)) or by post (80 Bishops Road, Trumpington, Cambridge, CB2 9NH).

## Subscriptions

Next year's subscription is set at £230 which you may pay in two instalments, September 2024 and January 2025. However, like last year, we have set the subscription at less than that required for the choir to break even over the year, so if you want the choir to continue at its current level, and you are able to do so, we ask you to consider making a voluntary donation as well. If we wished to break even, the annual subscription would be £350. This is higher than last year because we will be putting on three concerts with orchestra and soloists. Therefore, any donation on top of your subscription would be gratefully received. This can also be paid in instalments as above. Members under 35 may claim a half-price subscription of £115.

As we are a registered charity, all subscriptions and donations are eligible for Gift Aid if you pay income tax or capital gains tax, and this may decrease your own tax liability. Gift Aid on the 2023-24 subs has brought in just under £2000 which is a great help.

Additional members will not only enhance our sound but also decrease our expenditure from reserves. So please do invite your friends to join us.

Payment of subscriptions should, preferably, be paid by bank transfer (details below). Alternatively please send a cheque payable to Collegium Laureatum to Eleanor Pippard, 80 Bishops Road, Trumpington, Cambridge, CB2 9NH. If you pay income tax or capital gains tax and have not yet signed a Gift Aid form we would like to encourage you to do so. It is the government's preferred method for subsidising amateur music and brings in a significant amount of money each year. Additional donations are always gratefully received.

## Celebrating 50 years of Collegium Laureatum

We will be celebrating this with a lunchtime hog roast on Sunday 29 September. Further details to follow in due course, but put the date in your diary now!

## Rehearsals

Autumn Term: Mondays 9 September – 16 December (7.30pm – 9.30pm)

No rehearsal Monday 28 October

Friday 20 December (7.30pm – 9.30pm) (Compulsory)

**Concert (with afternoon rehearsal 2pm – 5pm) Saturday 21 December**

Spring Term: Mondays 6 January – 7 April (7.30pm – 9.30pm)

No rehearsal Monday 17 February

Friday 11 April (7.30pm – 9.30pm) (Compulsory)

**Concert (with afternoon rehearsal 2pm – 5pm) Saturday 12 April**

Summer Term: Monday 21 April – 30 June (7.30pm – 9.30pm)

No rehearsal 26 May

Friday 4 July (7.30pm – 9.30pm) (Compulsory)

**Concert (with afternoon rehearsal 2pm – 5pm) Saturday 5 July**

Monday rehearsals are in the Wilkinson Room, Church of St John the Evangelist, Hills Road, Cambridge, CB2 8RN (Corner of Blinco Grove and Hills Road).

Any additional pre-concert rehearsals will be notified nearer the time.

To enable us to provide a Home Singing membership, we will be live-streaming the rehearsals. This means that, if you need to miss a rehearsal for any reason, you will be able to participate from home.

Concerts and Music Editions:

Members are expected to buy their own music. This is commercially (such as Presto CD, Scorestore or Amazon) for the Christmas and Easter concerts and via the choir for the Summer concert.

### Christmas Concert:

Date: Saturday 21 December 7.30pm

Venue: West Road concert hall

Programme: J S Bach *Christmas Oratorio Parts 1, 2, 3* BMV 248

Compulsory edition: New Novello (Jenkins) NOV072500.

### Easter Concert:

Date: Saturday 12 April 7.30pm

Venue: West Road concert hall

Programme: Mozart *Requiem* K 626

Preferred edition: New Novello (Druce) NOV070529

Mozart *Vesperae Solennes de Confessore* K 339

Preferred edition: Barenreiter BA4894-90

### Summer Concert:

Date: Saturday 5 July 7.30pm

Venue: West Road concert hall

Programme: Vivaldi *Gloria in D major* RV 588 (not the one everyone knows)

Compulsory edition: Ian's edition (expected to be less than £8)