



MUSIC IN ROMSEY ABBEY

2024





ALL CONCERTS TAKE PLACE IN ROMSEY ABBEY



Sat
24 Feb
7:30pm

THE BAND OF HIS MAJESTY'S ROYAL MARINES COLLINGWOOD

The Band of His Majesty's Royal Marines Collingwood once again present a showcase concert in Romsey Abbey. Under the direction of Captain Philip Trudgeon, some of the finest military musicians in the world will perform a spectacular programme with a full range of musical styles. Featuring the world-famous Corps of Drums and top-quality soloists, this will be a must-see show with something for everybody!

If you are interested in a career in the Royal Marines Band Service, email the recruitment team at careers@royalmarinesbands.co.uk for more information.

Conductor Captain Philip Trudgeon

Reserved £17.50

Unreserved £12.50

Sat
2 Mar
7:30pm

MAYOR OF ROMSEY'S CHARITY CONCERT

An uplifting evening of music and performance from Michelmersh Silver Band, Romsey Youth Choir, Romsey Ukelele Group and the cast of Oliver from RAODS.

Reserved £14

Unreserved £10



Concert supporting the Mayor of Romsey's charities: Jane Scarth House, Jenna Marie Foundation, George's Trust & Romsey Good Neighbours

Sat
23 Mar
7:30pm

BACH'S ST JOHN PASSION ROMSEY CHORAL SOCIETY

WITH MONTEVERDI STRING BAND

Bach's St John Passion was first performed on Good Friday in 1724, while he was Cantor at the Thomasschule in Leipzig, and is one of the great works of the choral repertoire. The text draws from chapters 18 and 19 of St John's Gospel, and Bach sets the text with wonderful colour and imagination.

We are delighted to be joined by the Monteverdi String Band, one of the best baroque orchestras in the country.

BACH St John Passion

Conductor Richard Pearce

Soloists Christopher Bowen (Evangelist) with soloists from the Josephine Baker Trust

Reserved £20, £10 (under 16s, students)

Unreserved £12, £6 (under 16s, students)



Sat
13 Apr
7:30pm

ORGAN SYMPHONY SOUTHAMPTON YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Southampton Youth Orchestra return with a varied concert including the majestic Saint-Saëns Organ Symphony.

COPLAND Fanfare for the Common Man

HIDAS Oboe Concerto (2nd & 3rd movements)

GRIEG Piano Concerto (1st movement)

STRAUSS Serenade for Wind Ensemble

SAINT-SAËNS Symphony No. 3, 'Organ'

Conductors Kevin Withell, Charlie Mann

Soloists Edward Bence (organ)
Samuel Kinchington (piano)
Katie Guy (oboe)

Tickets £12, £8 (students, senior citizens), £1 (under 18s)

Tue
16 Apr
7:30pm

KING'S COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE CHORAL SCHOLARS - THE KING'S MEN!

The choral scholars of the world-famous King's College Cambridge in concert.

Presenting a programme of a cappella music from the Renaissance to the present day. Alongside the Full Choir's commitments, the King's Men perform around the world as far afield as North America, Australia and China.

Reserved £18, £10 (under 18s)

Unreserved £15, £10 (under 18s)



Concert supporting Romsey Abbey music



Sat
27 Apr
7:30pm

CELEBRATION 150 THE WOODFALLS BAND

WITH ROMSEY MALE VOICE CHOIR

A concert in celebration of 150 years of The Woodfalls Band, in part a celebration and in part a 'Thank You' to the communities that have supported the band over many years.

We will be joined on stage by soloists from the Black Dyke Band and by the Romsey Male Voice Choir.

With support from United Rental Group

Conductors Ben Halstead (The Woodfalls Band)
Marion Maxey (RMVC)

Accompanist Richard Stannard

Soloists Dr Brett Baker (principal trombone, Black Dyke Band)
Adam Bokaris (solo euphonium, Black Dyke Band)

Reserved £15, £10 (students, over 60s)

Unreserved £10
Under 16s free with paying adult (ticket required)



Concert supporting the Mayor of Romsey's charities: Jane Scarth House, Jenna Marie Foundation, George's Trust & Romsey Good Neighbours

Sat
4 May
7:30pm

VIVALDI FOUR SEASONS & FAURÉ REQUIEM - NOVA FORESTA CLASSICAL PLAYERS

WITH SALISBURY CHAMBER CHORUS

Come and hear two masterpieces in one night!

The Nova Foresta Classical Players return with the Salisbury Chamber Chorus for a spellbinding programme, with something for everyone.

VIVALDI The Four Seasons

FAURÉ Requiem

Conductor Simon McEnery

Soloist Cat Lawlor (violin)

Reserved £20

Unreserved £10
Under 18s free with paying adult (ticket required)

Sat
18 May
7:30pm

HAMPSHIRE CHORAL FESTIVAL

Local choirs from across Hampshire come together to perform these well-known choral works.

JENKINS Stabat Mater

FAURÉ Requiem

Conductor David Burgess

Soloists Emily Blackledge (soprano)
Mark Dancer (organ)

Unreserved £15

Sat
8 Jun
7:30pm

HEAVENLY VOICES SOUTHAMPTON PHILHARMONIC CHOIR

Southampton Philharmonic Choir celebrates the beauty and power of choral music.

Performing favourite choral and vocal works from the Baroque to the 21st century, including Zadok the Priest, Laudate Dominum, Cantique de Jean Racine, I was glad, and pieces by Samuel Barber, Ola Gjeilo and Philip Stopford.

Conductor David Gibson

Reserved £20, £10 (under 18s, students)

Unreserved £14, £7 (under 18s, students)

Fri
28 Jun
7.00pm

ROMSEY FESTIVAL OF YOUTH MUSIC SCHOOLS CHOIR FESTIVAL

Performances from local schools with a massed choral performance for the finale.

Reserved £10, £5 (under 12s)



Concert supporting projects for young musicians in Romsey and the surrounding areas.

Sat
6 Jul
7.30pm

CITY OF SOUTHAMPTON ORCHESTRA

A super full-blooded symphonic concert featuring a wonderful symphony by America's first successful female composer alongside one of the greats of the world's concert repertoire.

Amy Beach's Gaelic Symphony is considered a landmark composition in American classical music at a time when female composers faced significant challenges and barriers.

The second piece is Schubert's Symphony No. 9. Its combination of emotional depth, melodic beauty, and structural innovation has contributed to its enduring popularity.

BEACH Gaelic Symphony

SCHUBERT Symphony No. 9, 'The Great'

Conductor John Traill

Reserved £18, £5 (under 18s, students)

Unreserved £15, £5 (under 18s, students)

Fri
19 Jul
7.30pm

ROMSEY YOUTH CHOIR SUMMER CONCERT

A wonderful evening of summer music from Romsey Youth Choir, Romsey Youth Chamber Choir and Romsey Youth Children's Choir.

We look forward to welcoming you all.

Conductor Marion Maxey

Reserved £12, £6 (under 18s)

Unreserved £10, £5 (under 18s)

Sat
20 Jul
7.30pm

MAHLER SYMPHONY NO. 7 SOUTHAMPTON CONCERT ORCHESTRA

Join Southampton Concert Orchestra in their 60th anniversary concert with a performance of Mahler's monumental 7th symphony.

MAHLER Symphony No. 7

Conductor Paul Ingram

Central nave £18, £10 (under 18s)

Side aisles £9

Sat
7 Sep
7.30pm

THE ROYAL MARINES ASSOCIATION CONCERT BAND & PORTSMOUTH MILITARY WIVES CHOIR IN CONCERT

An evening of music for everyone! Marches, overtures, soloists, songs from classics to West End, and of course a Royal Marines finale of Evening Hymn & Sunset.

Conductor Major Steve Green

Reserved £17

Unreserved £12



Concert supporting the Royal Marines Charity

Sat
21 Sep
7.30pm

HOLST 150 CHARITY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

A birthday concert for Gustav Holst celebrating his music and that of his contemporaries.

VAUGHAN WILLIAMS Variants of Dives & Lazarus

HOLST A Fugal Overture
Excerpts from The Planets

WALTON Spitfire Prelude & Fugue

Conductor Craig Lawton

Reserved £18, £10 (under 18s)

Unreserved £9



Concert supporting the Priority Fund at Princess Anne Hospital, Southampton Hospitals Charity



Sat
5 Oct
7.30pm

ROMSEY ABBEY CHOIRS AND ORGAN

A unique concert featuring the choirs of Romsey Abbey and organ music performed by Richard McVeigh. Expect well-known music as well as some of our most popular and rousing hymns!

Concert hosted by the highly successful YouTube channel BEAUTY IN SOUND.

Reserved £15

Unreserved £12

Under 16s free



Concert supporting Romsey Abbey music

Sat
19 Oct
7.30pm

MOZART REQUIEM SOUTHAMPTON CHORAL SOCIETY

This very popular and moving work will be performed with Mozart's Solemn Vespers.

With support from Choralis Fiscus

MOZART Requiem
Solemn Vespers

Conductor Andrew Hayman

Reserved £25, £10 (under 18s)

Unreserved £20, £10 (under 18s)

Family ticket Up to 2 under 18s free if accompanied by 2 adults

Thu
24 Oct

ETHELFLAEDA FESTIVAL

Founded as a Benedictine Nunnery a thousand years ago, Romsey Abbey is dedicated to St Ethelflaeda, who was one of the earliest abbesses.

The annual Ethelflaeda Festival draws upon the Abbey's rich Benedictine history and celebrates the legacy of women in the church, society and the arts.

It combines art, music, words and prayer into a reflective and inspiring few days.

A festival concert will be held on Saturday 26th October.

For information on this year's festival, please visit the Abbey website at www.romseyabbey.org.uk.

Sat
9 Nov
7.30pm

ROSSINI'S PETITE MESSE SOLENNELLE ROMSEY CHORAL SOCIETY

The Petite Messe Solennelle was Rossini's fourth mass setting, written in 1863. The charming and jovial music is thought to have been inspired by deep personal feelings.

Famously, Rossini referred to it as 'the last of my sins of old age': although the work is entitled 'Little solemn mass', it is neither little nor solemn, exuberantly written for choir, four soloists, piano and harmonium.

ROSSINI Petite Messe Solennelle

Conductor Richard Pearce

Reserved £20, £10 (under 16s, students)

Unreserved £12, £6 (under 16s, students)

Fri
22 Nov
7.30pm

THE PLAY OF DANIEL VOX HUMANA & GREGORIANA

A concert version of the pre-Christmas 13th century liturgical drama with a freshly written narration (both witty and informative) given by Vox Humana and Gregoriana, with eight inter-scene motets dating from the 12th century to the 15th. This is a St Cecilia's Day concert.

Conductor Julien Chilcott-Monk

Soloists Daniel: Elizabeth Barlow (mezzo-soprano)
Narratrix: Sarah Bullen

Reserved £15, £12 (under 16s, senior citizens)

Unreserved £12, £10 (under 16s, senior citizens)

Under 10s free

Sat
14 Dec
7.30pm

ROMSEY YOUTH CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT

A wonderful evening of Christmas music from Romsey Youth Choir, Romsey Youth Chamber Choir and Romsey Youth Children's Choir.

We look forward to welcoming you all.

Conductor Marion Maxey

Central nave £12, £6 (under 18s)

Side aisles £10, £5 (under 18s)



Fri
20 Dec
7.30pm

PEACE ON EARTH ROMSEY SINGERS

Christmas with The Romsey Singers, with audience carols

Conductor Philip Lawson

Reserved £18, £9 (under 16s)

Unreserved £16, £8 (under 16s)

ROMSEY ABBEY LUNCHTIME RECITALS

The Abbey's Tuesday Lunchtime Recital programme runs from February to November. Recitals start at 1.00pm and last for 50 minutes. No booking is required. Admission is free with a retiring collection to cover costs and to support the Abbey's choirs.

The recitals present a wide variety of performers and genres – talented young musicians to seasoned professionals, classical to folk and jazz, soloists and ensembles. Something for everyone!

Join the recital emailing list to be kept informed of what's coming or check the Abbey website at romseyabbey.org.uk/visit/recitals

Contact:

lunchtimerecitals@romseyabbey.org.uk

MUSIC IN ROMSEY ABBEY

Music in Romsey Abbey provides visiting musicians with advance booking information, ticket advice and sales, concert staging, seating plans, stage managing and front of house facilities.

If you would be interested in helping in any capacity, please contact admin@musicinromsey.org





PARKING

Nearby car parks with pedestrian access to the Abbey include those in Latimer St and Newton Lane.

TICKETS

For online tickets:

Evening concerts:

www.ticketsource.co.uk/musicinromsey

Lunchtime recitals:

www.ticketsource.co.uk/romseyabbey

For other ticket enquiries and purchases:

Romsey Visitor Information Centre, 13 Church Street, Romsey
Tel: 01794 512987

For the latest information on events in Romsey Abbey:

www.romseyabbey.org.uk/visit/concerts

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