

Weekly update for w/c Monday 24 September 2018

Rehearsal reminders

This week the rehearsal will be in the Upper School at the usual time. We will continue to rehearse for the After Hours concert, for which Georgina Hulse is running two useful note-bashing sessions – see below for details. Links to YouTube recordings and practice tapes are on the Chorus website in the usual place - [Members Area / Rehearsals / Preparing the music](#) (password reminder at the end of this update).

Please note that next Tuesday 2 October the rehearsal will be in the Lower School.

There will be a sectional rehearsal from 7pm to 8.15pm on Tuesday 9 October. The division will be ladies in the main hall, gentlemen in Lab 5, which is where Maggie usually runs her sessions.

After Hours concert update

Due to an error on the part of the City Hall, for which they have apologised profusely, the date for the After Hours concert has been changed to Friday 30 November 2018. Please note that Darius will not necessarily use the extra weeks to rehearse the After Hours music, as he wants to start rehearsing the B Minor Mass as soon as possible.

Sight reading sessions start tomorrow evening

Georgina is offering four sight reading sessions this term. The sessions cover simple sight reading techniques and exercises, and are suitable for those new to the Chorus and/or to sight reading, as well as existing Chorus members who feel their skills are a bit rusty. Each will run from 6.15pm to 6.50pm, in Lab 5 which is where Maggie's sessions take place. The four sessions are 25 September (tomorrow evening), 13 and 27 November, and 11 December.

After Hours note-bashing sessions

Feel like you could do with some extra practice with the Schoenberg? Georgina Hulse, our Education and Outreach Officer, is running two note-bashing sessions for the After Hours concert music. Each session will run from 6.15pm to 6.50pm, in Lab 5 which is where Maggie's sessions take place. The two sessions are on Tuesday 16 October and Tuesday 30 October. Georgina will try to accommodate the needs of those who attend, so do try to let her know which pieces you'd like to work on before the sessions if you can. However, feel free to just turn up!

Bach B Minor Mass scores – final chance to order

Please e-mail Els at elsprowse@yahoo.co.uk if you want to buy a copy of the Bach Mass in B Minor (Barenreiter edition) price £10.00; hire cost for comparison will be £3.50. Alternatively please sign the list at rehearsal. The order must be submitted in the first week of October.

Singing Opportunities all voice parts: Child of Our Time, Faure Requiem, Verdi Requiem

See the Chorus website [Members' Area / For information / Singing Opportunities](#)

Diary Dates

See the Chorus website at [Members Area / Diary dates](#).

Apologies and Half-Time Leavers

Please note that apologies for absence should be sent to our Membership Officer John Spence; contact details at the bottom of each update. If you leave a rehearsal at half-time for whatever reason you should make a note of the fact on the Apologies Sheet on the registration desk.

Chorus website

Information about concert arrangements, future dates, our official stage procedure, Darius' rehearsal schedule, re-auditions, where to get rehearsal tracks etc. can be found on the chorus website, in the Member's Area in particular. The website is available at <http://sheffieldphil.org> or via a Google search. If taken to an error page it is likely that your computer or laptop has stored the old website in its memory (cache) and you should clear it by pressing REFRESH, or F5 on your PC keyboard. Alternatively it may be that your router needs re-setting; try turning it off for 10 minutes before switching it on again. If none of this works please contact Anne Adams in the first instance, and she will inform the webmasters Matthew Morgan and Bill Best. The chorus user name is member and the password is dariu5; these are for chorus members only so please don't share them.

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