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About the Festival

The London Festival of Contemporary Church Music was founded in 2002 with the aim of showcasing contemporary liturgical music in both service and concert. Fifteen years later, the LFCCM has grown to include more than 40 events, dozens of composers, nearly a hundred performers, and thousands of audience members, both live and online. This year we're excited to present premieres of brand new commissions, additional seminars and workshops, national and international submissions from our increasingly popular "Call for Scores" programme, and more live performances in London than ever before!

These symbols are used to indicate premiere performances











Nearly every event in the Festival is free of charge.

For the Opening Concert and the Gala Concert, book online at

www.lfccm.com/tickets



Welcome

Welcome to the 2017 LFCCM! Our programme this year includes performances in services and concerts, workshops and seminars, new commissions, and many premieres from a heavily subscribed and international "Call for Scores".

The promotion of new music is at the heart of this Festival; the LFCCM has commissioned more than 60 works since 2002. I am delighted to be able to announce a further four for 2017: Cecilia McDowall's "St Pancras Canticles", Richard Pantcheff's organ piece "Haec Dies", William Cole's "I will give thanks", and Peter Foggitt's "...ond us giefe sealde". The works by Cecilia, Richard and William will receive their premiere performances during a live broadcast of Choral Evensong, while Peter's will feature in the gala concert.

Many of you will be aware of the passing of talented young composer and performer William Petter last autumn. William was a stalwart supporter of the LFCCM from its earliest days; his loss has been greatly felt. A number of William's works appear in this year's Festival, and a hymn tune composed in his memory will feature in our broadcast alongside his setting of the Preces and Responses. This year's Rush Hour Concert, performed by the University of London Chamber Choir, is also dedicated to his memory; William was a member of the choir for several years while a student.

In addition to the Rush Hour Concert, we have three other evening concerts prepared for you this year. The first features Marcus Farnsworth and Matthew Martin, performing music for organ and baritone by composers ancient and modern. Our National Gallery Promenade includes the premiere of Gregory Rose's "Ave Maria".

And this year's gala concert, presented by The Sarum Consort and Kin Collective, is a collaboration between music and dance that features repertoire from Britain, Europe and beyond. This year also marks a new innovation in the LFCCM programme: for the first time, we travel to Oxford for a day of seminars and performances that culminate in a concert celebrating the 90th birthday of



Christopher Batchelor

John Joubert. Meanwhile, back in London, music by Howard Skempton appears throughout the programme in celebration of his 70th birthday.

I am so grateful to all the directors of music, organists, chapters, clergy, composers, educational institutions and performers who contribute so significantly to the success of this event – we are fortunate to be able to partner with you. And I thank all those who provide the financial support so essential to the LFCCM's work and mission. Thank you for everything you do to help make this Festival a success.

— Christopher Batchelor, Artistic Director

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OPENING CONCERT

Marcus Farnsworth



"This Same Jesus" Songs for Baritone and Organ

7.30pm Saturday 6 May
Pre-concert talk at 7pm
St Marylebone Parish Church, NW1 5LT
£12 / £10 www.lfccm.com/tickets

Marcus Farnsworth Baritone Matthew Martin Organ and Piano

Programme to include
This Same Jesus Martin Bussey
Bible Songs Charles Villiers Stanford
Consort Songs William Byrd
Les Angélus Louis Vierne
Three Sonnets of Petrarch Matthew Martin

This year's Festival opens with a beautiful recital programme exploring the rare pairing of solo voice and organ. Stanford's *Bible Songs* and Vierne's beautiful triptych *Les Angélus* were written specifically for this combination, while Martin Bussey's Ascension cantata *This Same Jesus* and Matthew Martin's *Three Sonnets of Petrarch*, both composed expressly for Marcus, receive their London premieres.



Matthew Martin

This performance is ticketed. Book online at www.lfccm.com/tickets

Renowned baritone **Marcus Farnsworth** is a strong exponent of contemporary music, having performed works by John Tavener, Sally Beamish, Thomas Larcher, Peter Maxwell Davies and David Sawer. His current projects include Turnage's *Greek* for Boston Lyric Opera, Britten's *Curlew River* in Hamburg with Ian Bostridge, Birtwistle's *The Last Supper* with BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra, and recitals at the Wigmore Hall and the Amsterdam Concertgebouw.

Matthew Martin is an award-winning composer and organist. He is currently Director of Music and a Fellow at Keble College, Oxford where he conducts the choir and teaches academic music within the College and University. He has composed for ensembles including The Tallis Scholars, Westminster Abbey, St Paul's Cathedral, St John's College and Clare College, Cambridge. His first solo recording on the historic organ of the London Oratory has been received with critical acclaim.

ALSO ON SATURDAY 6 MAY

RSCM Festival Evensong

Choral Evensong at St Paul's Cathedral – sung by you! All are welcome to take part in this event organised by RSCM London and directed by Andrew Carwood. Suitable for choristers of all ages from 7 years.

Introit Beati mundo corde Grayston Ives

Responses Philip Wilby

Canticles Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis Richard Shephard Anthem O How Glorious is the Kingdom Basil Harwood

Full event details and registration information at www.lfccm.com/rscm



The Third Sunday of Easter

London's world-class choral foundations perform contemporary music by British, European and American composers at liturgical services throughout the day.

SUNDAY 7 MAY

Mass

10.00 Choral Eucharist St Pancras Church, NW1 2BA

Introit A New Commandment I Give Unto You Robert Hanson

Missa in Tempore Paschali Philip Moore

Motet Christ our Passover Frank La Rocca

Organ Circular Musings Jenni Pinnock 🗬

10.00 Sung Mass St George's Cathedral, Southwark, SE1 7HY

Mass of St George Norman Harper

Offertory Jesus said to His Disciples Timothy Craig Harrison

Motet Hope Frederick Stocken

10.00 Parish Eucharist St Giles Cripplegate, EC2Y 8DA

Mass Communion Service Merbecke / Ives
Gradual The Secret Flower Nathan Waring
Motet The Lord is My Shepherd Henry Smart

10.00 Choral Eucharist St Mary-at-Finchley, N3 1TS

Mass The Finchley Setting Paul Ayres
Anthem Beati mundo corde Grayston Ives

10.30 Solemn Mass Westminster Cathedral, SW1P 1QW

Mass for Westminster Cathedral Judith Bingham

11.00 Choral Matins Chapel Royal of St Peter ad Vincula,

HM Tower of London, EC3N 4AB

Canticle Te Deum in G Vaughan Williams

Anthem Surrexit Christus Hodie Andrew Smith

11.00 Sung Eucharist St George's, Hanover Square, W1S 1FX

Mass Missa Brevis James MacMillan

Motet Most Glorious Lord of Life Antony le Fleming

Organ St Andrews' Suite James MacMillan

11.00 Sung Eucharist St Margaret's Church, Westminster Abbey

Mass Missa Brevis Jonathan Dove Gradual Pascha nostrum Alastair Putt

Motet Love Gareth Treseder

11.00 Choral Eucharist Old Royal Naval College Chapel, SE10 9NN

Works by composers based at Trinity Laban Conservatoire

Gradual Surrexit Pastor bonus Harry Palmer
Motet The Breaking of the Bread John Sturt

11.30 Solemn Mass St George's Cathedral, Southwark, SE1 7HY

Organ Prelude on Kingsfold Norman Harper

Mass Missa Seria Nicholas O'Neill

Motet O sacrum convivium Grayston Ives
Organ God is our Refuge Frederick Stocken

12.30 Solemn Mass St Mary of the Angels, Bayswater, W2 5DJ

Alleluia Andrew Cusworth

Offertory Joyful, we adore Thee Douglas Pew Motets

Tantum ergo sacramentum Ian Coleman

The Sower Benjamin Shute



SUNDAY 7 MAY

3.00pm Choral Evensong Southwark Cathedral, SE1 9DA

Canticles Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis

Collegium Sancti Johannis Cantabrigiense Michael Tippett

Anthem God is our refuge and strength Philip Moore

5.30 Choral Evensong St Bride's Church, EC4Y 8AU

Responses Matthew Martin

Canticles Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis for

Selwyn College, Cambridge Philip Cooke

Anthem Beauty for Ashes Bob Chilcott

6.00 Choral Evensong St Pancras Church, NW1 2BA

Introit Te lucis ante terminum Michael Emmerich

Responses Sarah Cattley 🖑

Canticles Third Service Howard Skempton

Anthem Bless the Lord O my Soul Jonathan Dove Organ from Book of Visions Daniel Knaggs

LFCCM in Oxford

TUESDAY 9 MAY

A day of seminars, choral services and concerts in Oxford, including presentations and discussions at Magdalen and University Colleges, a lunchtime recital at The Queen's College, and a special birthday concert at Worcester College celebrating the life and music of John Joubert.

Complete programme and additional information at www.lfccm.com/oxford

Mid-Week Events

MONDAY 8 MAY

1.10pm Organ Recital Southwark Cathedral, SE1 9DA The Cathedral's Organist, Peter Wright, performs a programme including music by Paul Drayton, Simon Preston and Jean Guillou

9.00 Compline St Pancras Church, NW1 2BA
Responses Simon Brown
Introit Before the ending of the day Anna Lush &
Anthem Christe, qui splendor et dies Klaus Miehling
Canticle Nunc Dimittis Joseph Phibbs

TUESDAY 9 MAY

5.30pm Choral Evensong King's College London, WC2R 2LS Sung in the College Chapel

10.00	Welcome at Magdalen College
10.30	Seminar at Magdalen College
	led by the Revd Dr Jonathan Arnold, Dean of Divinity
1.15pm	Lunchtime Recital at The Queen's College
	The Chapel Choir directed by Professor Owen Rees
2.30	Seminar at University College
	led by Professor Matthew Cheung-Salisbury
6.15	Choral Evensong at Merton College
	The Chapel Choir directed by Benjamin Nicholas
7.30	John Joubert 90th Birthday Concert at Worcester College
	The Choir of Worcester College directed by Thomas Allery
	Pre-concert talk with John Joubert at 7pm



WEDNESDAY 10 MAY

1.10pm Choral Eucharist King's College London, WC2R 2LS Sung in the College Chapel

3.30 Choral Evensong St Pancras Church, NW1 2BA

Broadcast live on BBC Radio 3

This service includes the premiere performances of

the Festival's 2017 commissions

In manus tuas David Bednall Introit

Responses William Petter

Canticles St Pancras Canticles Cecilia McDowall 🕸

Anthem I will give thanks William Cole ☆● Haec Dies Richard Pantcheff ☆● Organ

6.30 Sung Mass St Matthew's, Westminster, SW1P 2BU

This service commemorates the 40th anniversary of a fire

that nearly destroyed St Matthew's in 1977

Missa Brevis Sancti Pauli Anthony Caesar Mass

Offertory Let Saints on Earth Anthony Caesar

THURSDAY 11 MAY

1.15pm Choral Eucharist St Pancras Church, NW1 2BA

Christ be with me Michael Wolnigkowski Introit

Missa Brevis Ian Coleman 🎺 Mass

Motet Laudate Dominum David Ho-Yi Chan

Easter Music Bryan Kelly Organ

Choral Evensong St Marylebone Parish Church, NW1 5LT 5.00

Sung by The Chapel Choir of St Marylebone School

Responses Paul Burke

Canticles St Albans Service Cecilia McDowall

RUSH HOUR RECITAL

UCL Chamber Choir

"Drop down ye heavens"

Music by Judith Weir

In memoriam William Petter

5.30pm Friday 12 May Pre-concert talk at 5pm St Pancras Church, NW1 2BA

University College London Chamber Choir Charles Peebles Director

Programme to include
Drop down ye heavens from above Judith Weir
Love bade me welcome Judith Weir
Ave Regina Caelorum Judith Weir
A Blue True Dream of Sky Judith Weir



An uplifting programme of music by Master of the Queen's Music Judith Weir, including *A Blue True Dream of Sky* for alternating solo and tutti voices, and the poignant *Love bade me welcome*.

This performance is free of charge and unticketed, but we recommend that you arrive in good time

> "The composition of new music for church choirs is in a vigorous, creative phase, and the LFCCM is a worthy champion of all the good work currently going on."

> > Judith Weir



Promenade Concert



Shrine of Our Lady St Pancras Church

"Mother of God — Songs of Mary"

6.00pm Friday 12 May The National Gallery, Trafalgar Square

The Choir of St Pancras Church Christopher Batchelor *Director*

Hymn to the Virgin Francis Pott

Motets from "The Veil of the Temple" John Tavener
Ave Virgo Sanctissima Howard Skempton
Salve Regina Roxanna Panufnik

Three Marian Motets Cecilia McDowall
Salve Regina II Gabriel Jackson
Ave Maria Gregory Rose

Magnificat Kerry Andrew

A stunning sequence of Marian motets by British composers, performed in the atmospheric surroundings of the National Gallery.

This performance is free of charge and unticketed, but we recommend that you arrive in good time

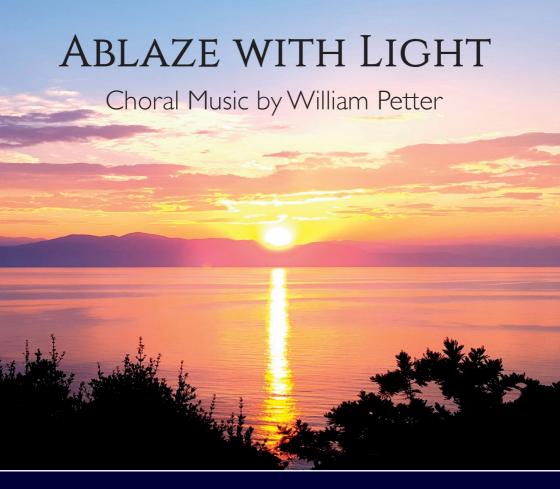
ALSO ON FRIDAY 12 MAY

Immersive Sound Installation

7.00pm St Luke's Church, Chelsea, SW3 6NH

London-based composers Thomas Fournil, Nicholas Hennell-Foley and Jack Michael Welch blend recorded and electronic sounds with live performance, taking advantage of the natural acoustics of St Luke's Church and choir.

Full details and performer biographies at www.lfccm.com/whatson



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GALA CONCERT

The Sarum Consort



Kin Collective

"Mors et Resurrexit" Four Meditations on the Life of Christ

7.30pm Saturday 13 May Pre-concert talk at 7pm St George's Church, Bloomsbury, WC1A 2SA £12 / £10 www.lfccm.com/tickets

The Sarum Consort Alastair Carey Director Kin Collective

Programme to include O Radiant Dawn James MacMillan Jesus und die Krämer Zoltán Kodály There was War in Heaven Howard Skempton The Lord Is Grace-Evangeline Mason I know that My Redeemer Liveth Douglas Pew ...ond us giefe sealde Peter Foggitt 🌣 🌐



This year's gala concert presents reflections on four statements on the life of Christ taken from the Nicene Creed, focussing on the betrayal, crucifixion, resurrection and ascension. This powerful journey is vividly depicted through music by contemporary British, European and American composers, including the premiere performance of a new commission by Peter Foggitt. Selected works are interpreted and accompanied by dance ensemble Kin Collective.

Kin Collective

This performance is ticketed. Book online at www.lfccm.com/tickets

This performance includes music by Howard Skempton, in celebration of his 70th birthday. Other works by Howard will be performed at Choral Evensong at St Pancras Church on 7 May, at the Promenade Concert on 12 May, at Choral Eucharist at St Pancras Church on 14 May, and at St Stephen's Church on 14 May.

Described as "the jewel in the crown of Salisbury music", **The Sarum Consort** has been presenting innovative and compelling programmes ever since its first performance in 1992. Under the leadership of founder Andrew Mackay and current director

Alastair Carey, the group has established a reputation for excellence in both early music and in contemporary vocal performance, receiving critical acclaim for its recordings on the Naxos label and its concert performances. Made up of professional singers drawn from Salisbury, Oxford and London, the group performs almost exclusively in Salisbury and the surrounding area; tonight's concert is a rare opportunity to hear this superb ensemble away from home.

Innovative contemporary dance ensemble **Kin Collective** is a group of movers and makers who specialise in the unification of different art forms, people and world views, crossing genres and divisions.

ALSO ON SATURDAY 13 MAY

10.30am Workshop: "Hymns Ancient Modern and Modern" St Pancras Church, NW1 2BA

Christopher Batchelor and the Choir of St Pancras Church review new hymns from 2017's "Call for Scores" and other contemporary offerings.

5.00pm Choral Evensong Westminster Abbey Sung by the Choir of Westminster Abbey

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

The Festival closes with a second Sunday of contemporary music at liturgical services across London.

SUNDAY 14 MAY

10.00 Choral Eucharist St Pancras Church, NW1 2BA Locus Iste Howard Skempton Introit from Missa Musica Sacra Douglas Pew Kyrie from Missa Iesu Redemptor Tim Ambler 📌 Gloria Michael Wiener Sanctus Agnus Dei from St John Mass Peter Foster 🦑 Agnus Dei from Missa Brevis Gaetano Lorandi 🗳 O sacrum convivium Gabriel Jackson Motet St Pancras Toccata Mark Bellis Organ Chapel Royal of St Peter ad Vincula, 11.00 Choral Matins HM Tower of London, EC3N 4AB Jubilate Deo Heinrich Schütz Canticle Utrumne est Ornatum Mark Gotham Anthem **Choral Matins** 11.00 Chapel Royal, Hampton Court Palace Canticles Te Deum Jonathan Dove lubilate Deo Matthew Martin Surrexit Christus Hodie Andrew Smith Anthem Solemn Mass 11.00 St Alban-the-Martyr, Holborn, EC1 Mass Missa Brevis James MacMillan Never weather beaten sail Ronald Corp Motet St Stephen's Church, SW7 4RL 11.00 Solemn Mass Missa Brevis Howard Skempton Mass

11.00 Choral Eucharist Holy Trinity Sloane Square, SW1X 9BZ

Introit In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust Phoebe McFarlane #

Mass Missa super Domine probasti me Peter Foggitt

Motet Sederunt principes Pérotin

11.00 Choral Eucharist Christ Church Chelsea, SW3 4AS

All the pieces in this service were composed by members of the choir

Introit Guttuur Tuum Robin Burlton

Mass Missa Sancti Jacobi Gareth Wilson 🏶

Anthem Ecce Adam James Walton

11.00 Parish Mass St Magnus the Martyr, EC3R 6DN

Mass Missa Brevis Ian Coleman 🖑

Motet Christ our Passover Frank La Rocca

11.00 Choral Eucharist St Marylebone Parish Church, NW1 5LT

Mass Missa Brevis Sancta Marylebonensis Gregory Rose
Gradual O come let us sing unto the Lord Cheryl Frances-Hoad

Motet O nata lux Steven Grahl

11.00 Choral Mattins Wren Chapel, Royal Hospital Chelsea

Introit Ave Regina Coelorum Michael Finnissy

Responses William Petter

Canticle Jubilate Deo chant by Roderick Williams

Anthem Seek Him that Maketh the Seven Stars Jonathan Dove

Organ Celebration Iain Farrington

11.00 Choral Mattins Chelsea Old Church, SW3 5LT

Introit Into thy hands I commit my spirit (Logos xvi) Gareth Wilson

Canticle Jubilate Deo Andrew Macmillan

Anthem Oculi omnium Thomas Hewitt Jones

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SUNDAY 14 MAY

12.00 Latin (Novus Ordo) Sung Mass

Catholic Church of SS Anselm & Caecilia, Holborn, WC2A 3JA

Missa Brevis Gaetano Lorandi 🎺 Mass

Mark Gotham Gloria

St Mary of the Angels, Bayswater, W2 5DJ 12.30 Solemn Mass

Offertory My Eyes for Beauty Pine Herbert Howells

The Lord's Prayer William Petter Motets

Christ be with me Michael Wolniakowski

3.15pm Choral Evensong St Paul's Cathedral Anthem The Great Silence Samuel Bordoli

Choral Evensong St Pancras Church, NW1 2BA 6.00

The Wings of a Dove Gail Randall Hymn

Almighty and Everlasting God Francis Knights Introit

Canticles The Rudolfus Service Francis Grier The Souls of the Righteous Francis Pott Anthem Light Perpetual Randall Svane Organ

Choral Evensong All Saints' Church, Blackheath, SE3 OTY 6.30

Responses William Gormley

Canticles Fauxbourdon Huw Llewellyn Morgan

Heav'n's Youngest Star Huw Llewellyn Morgan Anthem

Christ is our quide William Gormley Hymn

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