JOIN US TO SING Messiah for All

Tuesday 8 December 2015 at 7.30 pm

Bollington Arts Centre Wellington Road SK10 5JR

All proceeds will benefit Parkinsons.org.uk Macclesfield and its valuable work supporting those affected by Parkinson's disease.

> Tickets £6: 01625 261933 **Booking essential!**

In the 1740s those lucky enough to get a ticket for performances of a thrilling new work by Handel raised money for charities including the Foundling Hospital but weren't allowed to sing. The Festival Choir lets you sing your heart out and raise money for worthy local causes!

JOIN US TO SING Schubert Mass in G

Saturday 27 February 2016 9.30-5.00

Bollington Arts Centre Wellington Road SK10 5JR

Schubert's Mass in G is full of melodies penned by arguably the greatest composer of solo songs. We'll also be exploring some of his lovely part songs and the day will conclude with an impromptu performance with string ensemble.

£15 includes music loan, rehearsal **CD** and tea / coffee and biscuits

Our singing days welcome singers both experienced and less so to enjoy exploring great music in a convivial, supportive atmosphere. Full details and an application form will be available in December 2015.

JOIN US TO SING in all our concerts!

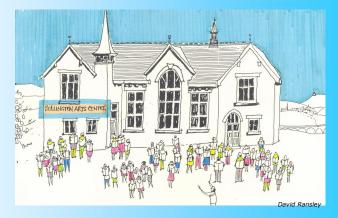
Tuesday evening rehearsals at Bollington Arts Centre resume on September 8th 2015, 8-10 pm. Like all amateur choirs, we welcome new singers. Unlike many choirs, we have no auditions and much of the music we perform is suggested by our members. You're assured of a warm welcome!

Ring 01625 261933 for details.

Bollington Festival Choir

2015 - 2016

"...happy, confident singers, alert to the music..."

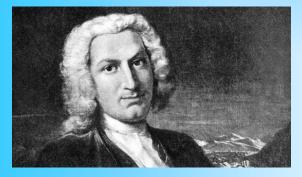


Programme of **Concerts** and **Events**

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Zelenka and Carols

Sunday 6 December 2015 7.30 pm



Jan Dismas Zelenka

Almost an exact contemporary of Bach and Handel, Jan Dismas
Zelenka spent his working life at the court of Dresden. From the tragic *Miserere* to the triumphant *Amen* from his *Magnificat*,
Zelenka's inspiring music takes us on a journey from darkness to light, interspersed with Carols both reflective and celebratory.

Baroque Masters

Sunday 20 March 2016 7.30 pm



Charpentier / J S Bach / Handel

Three great baroque composers feature in our uplifting Spring concert. Charpentier's *Te Deum*, Bach's *Sleepers Wake*, and Handel's *Hallelujah Chorus* preface Part Three of *Messiah* which includes *I know that my Redeemer liveth*, *The Trumpet shall sound* and *Amen*. With soloists including **Louis Hurst** bass baritone, and orchestra

Rutter Requiem

Sunday 12 June 2016 7.30 pm



John Rutter / Hrafnhildur Björnsdóttir

John Rutter is one of our most accessible contemporary composers and his tuneful, consoling *Requiem* is complemented by French music for soprano, choir and organ. Works by Gounod, Fauré, Franck and Saint -Saëns including gems like *Ave Maria, Pie Jesu* and *Panis Angelicus*.

Hrafnhildur Björnsdóttir soprano

All our 2015-2016 concerts take place in the lovely and very welcoming setting of St Oswald's Church Bollington Road SK10 5EG.

Tickets: December / June £10 March £12 (£3 for 18s and under) 01625 575554

Founded by Dr John Coope MBE in 1964, and conducted since 2002 by Donald Judge, Bollington Festival Choir is a friendly Choir that retains its village roots while attracting members from a wide area. The Choir has always performed some unusual repertoire which is seldom tackled by other choirs: this year, we hope you'll enjoy the music of the 'Czech Bach' Jan Dismas Zelenka.