

Joglaresa



SATURDAY
13TH JUNE 7.30PM
Bridges Centre, Monmouth

BOOGIE KNIGHTS!

Joglaresa's greatest hits delivered with their inimitable energy, irrepressible cheeriness, rebellion and, above all, FUN! Medieval song is full of surprises — enjoy them with the harp, fidel, percussion and voices of Joglaresa.

Directed by Belinda Sykes, this London-based ensemble has been playing since 1992. They are particularly interesting for the way in which they imaginatively push, and often transcend, the limits of what is often thought of as early music.

Welcome return visit by the UK's most popular and accomplished medieval ensemble.

ADMISSION £20
£17 WVM Members
£2 Students

Our five spring and summer concerts in St Briavels and Monmouth have an international flavour with new musicians from Portugal and America playing alongside returning soloists and ensembles.

Their programmes are varied and exciting. Beginning in March, we look forward to our regular showcase of emerging talent by young musicians studying at the *Royal Welsh College of Music & Drama*. In April we present a guitar and violin duo — a new and fascinating combination of instruments — as **Michael Christian Durrant and Inés Delgado** present a programme of Spanish and Latin American music. May sees the concluding recital in our *Beethoven in Wales* series as **Mary Hofman and Richard Ormrod** play the three remaining Beethoven violin sonatas, including the powerful *'Kreutzer'*, together with a specially commissioned piece by Welsh composer Hilary Tann.

Our two concerts in early June have a distinctly summer flavour. The first sees a return to St Briavels of brilliant violinist **Usha Kapoor** and piano duo partner **Edward Leung** — they were here in July of 2019. Prepare to be thrilled again by their sensitive and virtuosic playing. The following weekend **Belinda Sykes** brings her joyous and colourful medieval ensemble **Joglaresa** back to the Wye Valley with a programme of greatest hits from their recent programmes of early music from across Europe and the Mediterranean.

One of Wye Valley Music's key aims is to support young musicians by providing opportunities for them to perform. Many of those who have played for us have gone on to achieve national and international reputations as soloists and ensemble players.

This year we have been fortunate to receive funding from *The Lark Trust*, as well as from individual society members, which has enabled us to extend our work into schools. To date, specialist workshops and performances by professional musicians have been given in four primary schools in and around the Forest of Dean to promote an interest in classical music, and more are planned there and in Chepstow for Spring 2020. Pupils that have participated in these events have found them an interesting and enjoyable introduction to stringed instruments, brass and piano. As pianist Clare Hammond has put it:

“These concerts are designed to stimulate children’s imaginations and introduce them to the power, excitement and joy of classical music.”

We hope to continue and extend this work and we invite interest from members, local schools and anyone else who would like to support its continuation in any way.

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OF CONCERTS IN ST BRIAVELS
AND MONMOUTH**

Performances by professional
musicians with national and
international reputations

Spring/Summer
2020

Artists from the RWCMD



SUNDAY
15TH MARCH 3.00PM
St Briavels Church

RWCMD SHOWCASE

The programme for this concert will consist of pieces being brought to a high-performance standard by top-ranking students from Cardiff's *Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama* as part of their ongoing studies.

Details in due course.

We have never failed to be impressed by the talent and virtuosity shown by these young artists-in-the-making.

ADMISSION £14
£12 WVM Members
£2 Students

Music From Spain & South America



SATURDAY
18TH APRIL 7.30PM
Bridges Centre, Monmouth

GUITAR AND VIOLIN RECITAL

MICHAEL CHRISTIAN DURRANT *Guitar*
INÉS DALGADO *Violin*

DE FALLA Danza Española No. 1
(La Vida Breve)
RODRIGO Set Cançons Valencianes
VILLA-LOBOS Bachianas Brasileiras No. 5
PIAZZOLLA Histoire du Tango

A welcome return by brilliant classical guitarist Michael Christian Durrant, this time accompanied by Portuguese violin virtuoso Inés Delgado. The duo performs a colourful programme of pieces from Spain and Latin America by recognised masters of guitar writing

ADMISSION £17
£14 WVM Members
£2 Students

Mary Hofman & Richard Ormrod



SATURDAY
23RD MAY 7.30PM
St Briavels Church

VIOLIN AND PIANO RECITAL

MARY HOFMAN *Violin*
RICHARD ORMROD *Piano*

The final concert in our series of recitals, playing all of Beethoven's violin sonatas:
BEETHOVEN Sonata No. 9 in A, Op. 47 ('Kreutzer')
BEETHOVEN Sonata No. 10 in G, Op. 96
BEETHOVEN Sonata No. 4 in A minor, Op. 23

Plus a specially commissioned work by Welsh composer **HILARY TANN**.

The *Beethoven in Wales* project, of which this concert is a part, has been generously supported by the PRS Foundation's Women Make Music, the Colwinston Foundation. Ty Cerdd and Gwyneth and Tony Peters.

ADMISSION £17
£14 WVM Members
£2 Students

Usha Kapoor & Edward Leung



SATURDAY
6TH JUNE 7.30PM
St Briavels Church

USHA KAPOOR *Violin*
EDWARD LEUNG *Piano*

Brilliant young duo returns to the Wye Valley after their exciting and hugely impressive performance at the 2019 Chamber Music Festival Summer Residency.

This time their programme will have a distinctly American flavour: in addition to sonatas by **SCHUBERT** and **BRAHMS**, they will include works by **COPELAND**, **ADAMS**, **BERNSTEIN** and **AMY BEACH**.

Not to be missed!

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£2 Students