

City of Birmingham Choir concerts from 2002

2002

May 18

Walton: Coronation Te Deum

Elgar: Cello Concerto

Walton: The Twelve

Walton: Belshazzar's Feast

Willard White Paul Watkins (Cello)

Walton Centenary Concert in Symphony Hall

Pre-concert talk by Michael Aston

Christopher Robinson conducted his farewell concert with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

July 2

"Golden Jubilee Concert"

Walton: Coronation Te Deum

Performed with Worcester Cathedral Choristers and the CBSO

conducted by Sakari Oramo in Symphony Hall as part of the Queen's Golden Jubilee Celebrations

A number of other artists and groups took part in the presence of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and The Duke of Edinburgh

Nov 2

Mendelssohn: Elijah

Sarah Fox Elinor Carter Lynton Atkinson William Clements

Six treble choristers from Worcester Cathedral

Pre-concert talk by Lyndon Jenkins

Adrian Lucas conducts the Choir in Symphony Hall for the first time with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 6 & 10

Handel: Messiah

Geraldine McGreevy Catherine King Edward Lyon William Clements

Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 15

Carols for All

Anna Huntley (soprano) Roy Massey (organ) Cambrian Brass

Anna Huntley was the winner of the Singing Challenge Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas

2003

Apr 12

Handel: Dixit Dominus
Mozart: Mass in C Minor

Ruth Holton Katharine Fuge Emily Bauer-Jones Robert Johnston Robert Rice
*Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra*

May 10

Evensong in St John's College, Cambridge
*By invitation some members joined the choristers of St John's
Conducted by Christopher Robinson*

Jun 21

"Music for a Summer Evening"
Vaughan Williams: Shakespeare Songs
Vaughan Williams: Five Mystical Songs
Finzi: Magnificat
Britten: Flower Songs
Haydn: Creation (extracts)
Handel: Dixit Dominus (extracts)

Jolyon Loy (treble) James Manship (tenor) William Clements (bass)
Daniel Phillips (organ)

*Promoted by Worcester Cathedral Arts at Worcester Cathedral
Organ accompaniment
Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas*

Oct 14 & 16 **Elgar: The Apostles**

Lisa Milne (soprano) Louise Winter (mezzo-soprano) John Daszak (tenor)
Garry Magee (baritone) Matthew Best (baritone) Neal Davies (bass)

*Celebrating the centenary of the first performance
By invitation with the City of Birmingham Symphony Chorus
CBSO concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Sakari Oramo
BBC live broadcast on Oct 14*

Nov 15

Albinoni: Adagio
Tavener: Song for Athene
Poulenc: Organ Concerto
Durufié: Requiem

Howard Quilla Croft (baritone) Thomas Trotter (organ)
Treble choristers from Worcester Cathedral

*Pre-concert talk – Thomas Trotter in conversation with Martin Willis
Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra*

Dec 5 & 9 Handel: Messiah

Claire Rutter James Bowman James Gilchrist Michael Pearce
***Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra***

Dec 21 A Christmas Celebration

Heart of England Brass Ensemble Adrian Partington (organ) Arden Junior Singers
***Concert included Rutter: Gloria
Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas***

2004

Apr 3

Monteverdi: Magnificat
Mendelssohn: Hear my Prayer
Bach: Lobet den Herrn
Fauré: Requiem

Jolyon Loy (treble) James Manship (tenor) Russel Burton (tenor) Ian Bell (baritone)
Adrian Partington (organ)

*Spring concert in Tewkesbury Abbey conducted by Adrian Lucas
Organ accompaniment*

May 7

Holst: The Planets
*Czech National Symphony Orchestra in Symphony Hall
conducted by Libor Pešek*

May 15

Gershwin: A Cuban Overture
Lambert: The Rio Grande
Orff: Carmina Burana

Sarah Leonard (soprano) Lawrence Zazzo (counter tenor) Leigh Melrose (baritone)
Katherine Lam (piano) Ex Cathedra Junior Academy

*Pre-concert talk by Stephen Maddock
Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra*

Nov 13

“A Requiem for War”
**Reflections on War and Reconciliation – A performance
of the poetry of Wilfred Owen and other writers**

Gordon Mursell, Dean of Birmingham (presenter) Thomas Kunst (poet)
David Hart (poet) Andy Hockley (reader)

Britten: War Requiem

Julie Cooper (soprano) James Gilchrist (tenor) Peter Savidge (baritone)
Choristers of Birmingham Cathedral Choristers of Worcester Cathedral

*With the Worcester Festival Choral society
A joint promotion with the Worcester Festival Choral society
Thomas Kunst came over from Leipzig to take part in the poetry
reading with support from Birmingham City Council
Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra*

Dec 10 & 14 **Handel: Messiah**

Gillian Webster Robin Blaze John Bowley Ashley Holland

*Roy Massey's last time at the organ after 50 years of Messiah
performances.*

*Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra*

Dec 19

Christmas Celebrations

Heart of England Brass Ensemble Adrian Partington (organ) Abigail Kelly (vocalist)

Children's choir from six Birmingham Primary Schools

Concert included the first performance of 'And Peace on Earth' by

Bob Chilcott commissioned by the Choir

Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas

2005

Jan 8

Holst: The Planets

Ladies from the Choir with the National Youth Orchestra of Great Britain conducted by Keith Lockhart in Symphony Hall

Mar 12

Britten: War Requiem

Judith Howarth (soprano) James Gilchrist (tenor) Stephen Roberts (baritone)
Gloucester Cathedral Choristers and Ley Clerks The Regency Sinfonia

*Fifty members of the Choir by invitation with Gloucester Choral Society
Conducted by Andrew Nethsingha in Gloucester Cathedral*

Mar 27

“Here come the Choral Classics”

Deborah Norman (soprano)

*A selection of choral classics by Handel, Mozart, Verdi, Fauré, Borodin,
Vaughan Williams, Parry and Orff
Forty-five members of the Choir with twenty members each from
Birmingham Bach Society and Worcester Festival Choral Society
Promoted by the Royal Philharmonic Concert Orchestra and conducted
by Anthony Inglis in Symphony Hall*

May 14

Poulenc: Gloria

Rachmaninov: Rhapsody on a theme of Paganini

Pärt: Cantus to the memory of Benjamin Britten

Rachmaninov: The Bells

Judith Howarth (soprano) Andrew Carwood (tenor) Stephen Gadd (bass)
Jonathan French (piano)

*Pre-concert talk – Chris Joyce and Gareth Thomas in conversation
with Martin Willis
Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra*

Aug 7

Shostakovich: Festive Overture

Prokofiev: Alexander Nevsky

Rachmaninov: The Bells

Elena Prokina (soprano) Frances McCafferty (mezzo-soprano) Ilya Levinsky (tenor)
Pavel Baransky (baritone)

*By invitation in Worcester Cathedral as part of the Three Choirs Festival
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra*

Nov 19

**Chris Long: O Lord, Remember
Verdi: Requiem**

Judith Howarth (soprano) Catherine King (mezzo-soprano) John Daszak (tenor)
Peter Savidge (bass)

*First performance of O Lord, Remember, which was commissioned for the Choir through the Adopt-a-Composer scheme run by Making Music in partnership with spnm and PRS Foundation for New Music
Pre-concert talk – Chris Long, and Evan Dawson from Making Music in conversation with Martin Willis as part of the performance
Subsequently, Chris Long won the Making Music Award at the 2006 composer awards for his composition
Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra*

Dec 9 & 13

Handel: Messiah

Elizabeth Watts Simon Baker Allan Clayton Daniel Jordan

Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 18

Christmas Celebrations

Heart of England Brass Ensemble Adrian Partington (organ) Children's choir from four Birmingham Primary Schools

*Concert included the Twelve Days of Christmas with narration of John Julius Norwich's letters responding to the gifts, arranged by Edward Watson, and also a setting of Frosty the Snowman by Colin Baines featuring the children's choir
Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas*

2006

May 6

**Mozart: Vesperae Solennes de Confessore
(Solemn Vespers)**

Tippett: Concerto for Double String Orchestra

Haydn: Missa in Angustiis (Nelson Mass)

Sophie Daneman (soprano) Louise Mott (contralto) William Kendall (tenor)
Charles Pott (bass)

Pre-concert talk by Christopher Morley

*Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra*

Oct 3

Elgar: The Kingdom

Lisa Milne (soprano) Catherine Wyn-Rogers (mezzo-soprano)

Anthony Dean Griffey (tenor) James Rutherford (baritone)

Celebrating the centenary of the first performance

*By invitation with the City of Birmingham Symphony Chorus
CBSO concert conducted by Sakari Oramo in Symphony Hall
BBC recorded broadcast on Oct 8*

Nov 18

Faure: Pavane

Jongen: Symphonie Concertante for Organ

Berlioz: Te Deum

Adrian Thompson (tenor) Thomas Trotter (organ)

City of Birmingham Symphony Youth Chorus

*Presented by the CBSO as part of their concert series and
conducted by Adrian Lucas in Symphony Hall*

Pre-concert talk by Gerald Larner and Lynne Walker

Dec 8 & 12

Handel: Messiah (Mozart's arrangement)

Katrina Broderick Louise Poole Mark Chaundy Håkan Vramso

Given as part of the Mozart 250th Anniversary Celebrations

*Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra*

Dec 17

Christmas Celebrations

Heart of England Brass Ensemble Adrian Partington (organ) Tanya Houghton (harp)

Worcester Cathedral Choir

*Cathedral Choir entered in procession singing 'Once in Royal'
Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas*

2007

May 19

“Elgar the Music Maker - 150th Anniversary Concert”

Elgar: Pomp and Circumstance March No 6 (arr.

Anthony Payne)

Ecce Sacerdos Magnus

Sevillana

The Holly and the Ivy

Give Unto the Lord

Sursum Corda

The Music Makers

Frances McCafferty (contralto) Natalie Wheen (presenter)

*A programme of words and music celebrating Elgar's 150th anniversary
Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra*

Jun 2

Elgar: The Apostles

Claire Rutter (soprano) Jane Irwin (mezzo-soprano) John Daszak (tenor)
Stephen Gadd (baritone) James Rutherford (baritone) Clive Bayley (bass)

Celebrating Elgar's 150th anniversary.

*About 30 members of the Choir invited to sing as part of the City of
Birmingham Symphony Chorus*

*CBSO concert conducted by Sakari Oramo in Symphony Hall
BBC recorded broadcast on June 3*

Jun 3

Elgar: The Kingdom

Amanda Rookroft (soprano) Jane Irwin (mezzo-soprano) John Daszak (tenor)
James Rutherford (baritone)

Celebrating Elgar's 150th anniversary

*By invitation with the City of Birmingham Symphony Chorus
CBSO concert conducted by Sakari Oramo in Symphony Hall
BBC recorded broadcast on June 4*

Jun 23

Bruckner: Christus Factus Est

Mendelssohn: Sonata No 3 in A for organ

Bruckner: Os Justi

Quilter: Three Shakespeare Songs

Britten: Hymn to St Cecilia

Bruckner: Ecce Sacerdos Magnus

Britten: Prelude & Fugue for organ on a theme of Vittoria

Britten: Rejoice in the Lamb

Andrew Swait (treble) Stephen Shellard (counter tenor) James Manship (tenor)
Ian Bell (bass) Carlton Etherington (organ)

Summer concert in Tewkesbury Abbey

Organ accompaniment.

*Concert recorded and issued on CD for members and friends
Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas*

Aug 18

Elgar: The Apostles

Amanda Roocroft (soprano) Catherine Wyn-Rogers (mezzo-soprano)
Anthony Dean Griffey (tenor) Alan Opie (baritone)
James Rutherford (bass-baritone) Peter Rose (bass)

BBC proms concert in the Royal Albert Hall

About 30 members of the Choir invited to sing as part of the City of

Birmingham Symphony Chorus

CBSO conducted by Sakari Oramo

Live broadcast on Radio 3

Nov 17

“Baroque Fireworks”

Charpentier: Te Deum in D

Handel: Music for the Royal Fireworks

Handel: The King Shall Rejoice

Purcell: Come Ye Sons of Art, Away

Purcell: O Sing Unto the Lord

Handel: Zadok the Priest

Hannah Atherton (soprano) James Bowman (counter tenor) James Atherton (tenor)
William Clements (bass)

***Performed in the newly reopened Town Hall with the
Orchestra of the Swan***

Zadok the Priest performed from memory

Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas

Dec 7 & 11

Handel: Messiah

Rebecca Outram Wendy Dawn Thompson Simon Wall James Birchall

Performed from the Oxford Edition

Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas

with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 16

Christmas Celebrations

Heart of England Brass Philip Scriven (organ) Voice Factory

Concert included Vaughan Williams: Fantasia on Christmas Carols

Voice Factory was made up from primary school pupils involved in the

Choir's education project to train young singers

Concert in Town Hall, Birmingham conducted by Adrian Lucas

2008

**Apr 12 & 20 Mahler: Symphony No 2 in C Minor
(Resurrection Symphony)**

Amanda Winfield (soprano) Anne Marie Gibbons (mezzo-soprano)
Birmingham Philharmonic Orchestra concert conducted by Michael Lloyd
City of Birmingham Choir with some members of Tewkesbury and District Choral Society and Worcester Festival Choral Society
Presented in aid of The Birmingham Foundation and Tewkesbury Rotary Club Flood Appeal
April 12 concert in Tewkesbury Abbey
April 20 concert in Town Hall, Birmingham

May 17

“Favourites from the Opera”

Verdi: Triumphal Scene from Aida

Britten: Four Sea Interludes from Peter Grimes

Bizet: Concert Suite from Carmen

Borodin: Polovtsian Dances

Gershwin: Porgy and Bess (Bennett Concert Version)

Maureen Brathwaite (soprano) Roderick Earle (baritone)
Narration of the operas by Susie Riddell – a choir member
Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Nov 15 & 29 Beethoven: Missa Solemnis

Lee Bisset Hannah Pedley Benjamin Segal David Soar
Concerts jointly promoted with the Bristol Choral Society
Nov 15 concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
Nov 29 concert in Colston Hall, Bristol conducted by Adrian Partington
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 5 & 9 Handel: Messiah

Elizabeth Watts Emily Bauer-Jones Allan Clayton Clive Bayley
Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 16 Christmas Celebrations

Heart of England Brass David Newsholme (organ) Park Hall Junior School Choir
Roz Goddard Philip Monks Helen Monks (poets)
Concert included poetry by local poets
Concert in Town Hall, Birmingham conducted by Adrian Lucas

2009

April 25 **Rossini: Petite Messe Solennelle**

Helen Meyerhoff Susanna Spicer Andrew Mackenzie-Wicks Christopher Foster
Christopher Robinson (piano) Libby Robinson (piano) David Newsholme (harmonium)
Concert in Town Hall, Birmingham conducted by Adrian Lucas

April 26 **“The Environmental Prom”**

Birmingham Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Michael Lloyd
About 70 members of the Choir and guests singing “Ballads for a Living Planet” by Ian Barnett and Proms favourites
Promoted by the Chartered Institution of Water and Environmental Management in Symphony Hall

Jun 6 **Elgar: The Dream of Gerontius**

Harriet Williams (mezzo soprano) William Kendall (tenor) William Clements (bass)
Performed in Worcester Cathedral with the Chameleon Arts Orchestra
Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas

Nov 21 **Delius: Sea Drift**

Vaughan Williams: A Sea Symphony

Julie Cooper (soprano) James Rutherford (baritone)
Schools display project in Symphony Hall foyer
Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 4 & 8 **Handel: Messiah**

Alison Roddy Susanna Spicer Ed Lyon George Humphries
Dec 4 in Symphony Hall and Dec 8 in Town Hall, Birmingham
Thomas Trotter's 25th year at the harpsichord
250th anniversary of death of Handel
Concerts conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 20 **Christmas Celebrations**

Heart of England Brass George Castle (organ) Voice Factory III
Voice Factory III choir was made up from primary school pupils involved in the Choir's education project to train young singers
Concert in Town Hall, Birmingham conducted by Adrian Lucas

2010

May 15

Finzi: Romance

MacMillan: Seven Last Words from the Cross

Fauré: Requiem

Jack Furber (treble) William Clements (baritone)

With Orchestra of the Swan

Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas

Sept 16 & 18

Mahler: Symphony No. 8 (Symphony of a Thousand)

CBSO concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Andris Nelsons as part of the Birmingham Mahler Cycle

The CBSO Chorus formed Choir I, and some members of the City of Birmingham Choir were invited to join the Hallé Choir as Choir II

Oct 8

Holst: The Planets

Ladies from the Choir with the Houston Symphony Orchestra

conducted by Hans Graf

Concert in Symphony Hall

Oct 30

Respighi: The Pines of Rome

Verdi: Requiem

Sarah Hartley Lisa Byrnes Octavio dos Santos Neto Gerard Delrez

With the English Schools Orchestra conducted by Robert Pepper

Promoted by the ESO in Symphony Hall

Nov 13

Parry: Blest Pair of Sirens

Durufilé: Prelude et Fugue sur le nom d'Alain

Fauré: Cantique de Jean Racine

Bernstein: Chichester Psalms

Durufilé: Requiem

George Bullock (treble) Nicholas Perfect (baritone) Worcester Cathedral Choristers

Tanya Houghton (harp) Huw Ceredig (percussion) Richard Jenkinson (cello)

Thomas Trotter (organ)

In Birmingham Town Hall with organ and instrumental accompanists.

Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas

Dec 4

Classical Spectacular in the National Indoor Arena

Jesús León (tenor) Mark Holland (baritone) Thomas Gould (violin)

With the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra conducted by John Rigby

A Raymond Gubbay promotion with Lasers and fireworks featuring the Band of the Welsh Guards and Muskets and Cannons of the Moscow Militia

Dec 10 & 14 Handel: Messiah

Claire Wild Frances Bourne James Oxley Alan Ewing

***Dec 10 in Symphony Hall and Dec 14 in Town Hall
Concerts conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra***

Dec 30

Beethoven: Piano Concerto No 5 'Emperor'

Beethoven: Symphony No 9 'Choral'

Catrin Aur (soprano) Carolyn Dobbin (mezzo-soprano) Jesús León (tenor)
Leigh Melrose (bass) Sofya Gulyak (piano)

***With the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in Symphony Hall
conducted by Christopher Warren-Green
A Raymond Gubbay promotion***

2011

Apr 30

Bach: Mass in B Minor

Julie Cooper (soprano) Katherine Fuge (soprano) Susannah Spicer (contralto)
Simon Wall (tenor) Daniel Jordan (bass)

With Orchestra of the Swan in Worcester Cathedral

Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas

An exhibition of paintings by Nigel Groom linked to the concert on display in the cathedral over the Easter period

May 21

Respighi: The Pines of Rome

Orff: Carmina Burana

Helen Withers (soprano) Stephen Douse (tenor) Mark Holland (baritone)

With The Birmingham Schools' Symphony Orchestra and the Birmingham Music Service Children's Chorale conducted by Michael Seal in Symphony Hall

A joint promotion with the Birmingham Music Service

Nov 5

Dvořák: Te Deum

Janáček: Taras Bulba

Janáček: Glagolitic Mass

Judith Howarth (soprano) Catherine King (mezzo soprano) Adrian Thompson (tenor)
Keel Watson (bass) Ashley Grote (organ)

The Choir's 90th birthday celebration concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas with the CBSO

Pre-concert talk – City of Birmingham Choir 'Past, Present and Future' Foyer display on the same theme

Post concert reception and celebrations in the bar – including a cake!

Dec 3

Classical Spectacular in the National Indoor Arena

Stephanie Corley (soprano) Antonia Sotgiu (mezzo soprano) Philip O'Brien (tenor)

With the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra conducted by John Rigby

A Raymond Gubbay promotion with Lasers and fireworks featuring the Band of the Welsh Guards and Dancers from the Birmingham Royal Ballet

Dec 9 & 13

Handel: Messiah

Paula Greenwood William Purefoy Thomas Hobbs David Soar

Dec 9 in Symphony Hall and Dec 13 in Town Hall

Concerts conducted by Adrian Lucas with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 18

Christmas Treats

A joint concert with Birmingham Philharmonic Orchestra in Birmingham Town Hall

The orchestra performed excerpts from Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker suite and the Choir performed Finzi's In Terra Pax

Conducting was shared by Michael Lloyd and Adrian Lucas

Dec 30

Wagner: Prelude to Act III from Lehengrin
Saint-Saens: Organ Symphony
Orff: Carmina Burana

Ailish Tynan (soprano) Colin Judson (tenor) Mark Stone (baritone)
Stephen Disley (organ)

***With the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and Lichfield
Cathedral School Choir in Symphony Hall conducted by Andrew
Greenwood
A Raymond Gubbay promotion***

2012

Mar 17

“Equinox”

Birmingham Schools' Azaad Dhol Group, Bournville Young Singers, Chinese Community Centre – Wan Cheuk Choir, Echo Doliny Polish Folk Choir, Sanchita Pal Ensemble, Town Hall Gospel Choir, Black Voices, Birmingham Schools' Percussion Ensemble, City of Birmingham Choir, Fiesha Amlak Drummers, SHAAM, World Music Youth Choir

An inter-cultural choral celebration inspired by the 2012 Olympic Games

Promoted by the Choir and bearing the mark of the Cultural Olympiad Each of the participating choirs performed their own selection of music and then joined in performing the world première of Koinonia, a work specially commissioned for the occasion by composer Christopher Long

The City of Birmingham Choir performed Vaughan Williams Three Shakespeare Songs from memory Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas

May 12

Mozart: Regina Coeli

Schumann: Requiem

Beethoven: Mass in C

Katharine Fuge Kate Symonds-Joy Simon Wall William Clements
With Orchestra of the Swan in Town Hall, Birmingham Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas

Nov 2

Grand Organ Gala including

Saint-Saens: Organ Symphony

Julia Sporsén (soprano) Stephen Disley (organ)

With the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Gareth Hancock in Symphony Hall A Raymond Gubbay promotion

Nov 10

Rautavarra: On the Last Frontier

Brahms: Ein Duetsches Requiem

Eloise Routledge (soprano) Robert Rice (bass) Roger Judd (organ)
First Birmingham performance of On the Last Frontier Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 1

Spectacular Classics in Symphony Hall

Sarah Redgwick (soprano) Philip O'Brien (tenor)

With the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra conducted by John Rigby A Raymond Gubbay promotion with lasers and pyrotechnics

Dec 7

Handel: Messiah

Hannah Grove Atherton Sebastian Field Rupert Charlesworth Michael George
Single performance given this year in Symphony Hall
Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 16

Christmas Treats

Heart of England Brass Paul Carr (organ)
Birmingham Music Service Children's Chorale
A performance of the works on the Choir's new CD with a few extra items
Concert in Town Hall, Birmingham conducted by Adrian Lucas

Dec 30

Beethoven: Piano Concerto No 5 'Emperor'

Beethoven: Symphony No 9 'Choral'

Julia Sporsén (soprano) Julia Riley (mezzo-soprano) Joshua Ellicot (tenor)
Duncan Rock (bass) Danny Driver (piano)
With the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in Symphony Hall
conducted by Christopher Warren-Green
A Raymond Gubbay promotion

2013

May 18

“Essentially english”

Elgar: Great is the Lord

Howells: Requiem

Ireland: Elegiac Romance for Organ

Byrd: Laudibus in Sanctis

Finzi: Magnificat

Leighton: Crucifixus pro nobis

Elgar: Give unto the Lord

Hannah Atherton (soprano) James Atherton (tenor) Ben Cooper (bass)
Daniel Phillips (organ)

Spring concert in Tewkesbury Abbey conducted by Adrian Lucas

June 16

Holst: The Planets

Ladies from the Choir with the Philharmonia Orchestra in

Symphony Hall conducted by Vladimir Ashkenazy

By invitation as part of THSH International Concert Season

Nov 2

Karl Jenkins: The Armed Man

Karl Jenkins: Excerpts from other works

With the Manchester Concert Orchestra in Symphony Hall

conducted by Karl Jenkins

A Raymond Gubbay promotion

Nov 16

Mozart: Overture – The Marriage of Figaro

Mozart: Piano Concerto No 21 in C – K467

Mozart: Requiem in D Minor – K622

Anthony Hewitt (piano) Rhian Lois (soprano) Anna Huntley (Mezzo-soprano)

Samuel Boden (tenor) Benjamin Cahn (Bass-baritone)

With the Orchestra of the Swan conducted by Adrian Lucas

A Raymond Gubbay promotion

Dec 6 & 10

Handel: Messiah

Helen-Jane Howells Hannah Pedley James Oxley Alex Ashworth

Dec 6 in Symphony Hall and Dec 10 in Town Hall, Birmingham.

Concerts conducted by Adrian Lucas

with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 15

Christmas Treats

Heart of England Brass Paul Carr (organ) Lynn Dawes (vocalist)

King Edward VI Camp Hill School for Girls Chamber Choir

Including a performance of 'And Peace on Earth' by Bob Chilcott,
commissioned for the Choir in 2004

Concert in Town Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas

2014

Feb 23

Mahler: Symphony No 3

Hannah Pedley (soprano)

Ladies of the Choir also with St Peter's Collegiate Church Choir, Wolverhampton

By invitation of the Birmingham Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Michael Lloyd in Birmingham Town Hall

May 17

Holst: Hymn of Jesus

Elgar: King Arthur Suite

Vaughan Williams: Dona Nobis Pacem

Hannah Grave (soprano) Thomas Guthrie (Baritone)

With the Birmingham Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Adrian Lucas in Symphony Hall

Nov 14

Karl Jenkins 70th Birthday Concert

Kathryn Rudge (mezzo-soprano) Belinda Sykes (contralto)

With the Manchester Concert Orchestra conducted by Karl Jenkins

A selection of mainly choral works by Karl Jenkins

A Raymond Gubbay promotion in Symphony Hall

Nov 22

Spectacular Classics in Symphony Hall

Philip O'Brien (tenor) Nicholas Lester (baritone) Thomas Gould (violin)

With the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra conducted by Anthony Inglis

A Raymond Gubbay promotion with lasers and pyrotechnics.

Dec 12

Handel: Messiah

Helen-Jane Howells Hannah Pedley James Oxley Alex Ashworth

Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas

with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 20

Christmas Classics

Elizabeth Atherton (soprano) Brian Blessed (reader)

Afternoon concert of Carols, Christmas music and readings introduced and conducted by Adrian Lucas in Symphony Hall with the London Concert Orchestra. A Raymond Gubbay promotion

Dec 30

Beethoven: Piano Concerto No 5 'Emperor'

Beethoven: Symphony No 9 'Choral'

Julia Sporsén (soprano) Julia Riley (mezzo-soprano) Joshua Ellicot (tenor)

Duncan Rock (bass) Danny Driver (piano)

With the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in Symphony Hall conducted by Christopher Warren-Green

A Raymond Gubbay promotion

2015

April 8 – 12 City of Birmingham Choir Concert Tour to Paris

Around 80 Choir members took part in this Paris tour travelling by Eurostar and staying at a hotel in Bercy Villages. Three performances were given in Paris Churches as follows -

April 9 – Eglise de La Madeleine

April 10 – Abbaye St Germain des Pres

April 12 – Cathedrale Notre Dame de Paris International Mass

Vaughan Williams: Mass in G Minor

Britten: Te Deum in C

Paul Drayton: Ecce Ancilla Domini

Samuel Wesley: In Exitu Israel

Mendelssohn: Mass for Double Choir – Kyrie and Sanctus

Orlando Gibbons: O Clap Your Hands

Willcocks: Lord of the Dance

Peter Philips: Christus Resurgens

Vierne: Impromptu from Pièces de Fantasia for Organ

Saint-Saëns: Allegro giocoso from Seven

Improvisations for Organ

Bach: Pièce d'Orgue BWV 572

Wesley: Choral Song and Fugue for Organ

Hannah Lucas (soprano) Henrietta Lockhart (alto) Dominic Lee (tenor)

Mark Lawrence (bass) Paul Carr (organ)

A selection from the pieces listed and featuring the Mass in G Minor by Vaughan Williams was performed at each of the main concerts, with a smaller selection forming the Choir contribution to the Sunday International Mass in Notre Dame which was attended by a vast and appreciative congregation

May 16

“A Trumpet Shall Sound”

Samuel Wesley: In Exitu Israel

Handel: Sinfonia in D for Organ and Trumpet

Bach: Cantata 147

Orlando Gibbons: O Clap Your Hands

Paul Drayton: Ecce Ancilla Domini

Vaughan Williams: Mass in G Minor

Howard Goodall: Shackleton's Cross for Organ and Trumpet

Britten: Te Deum in C

Hannah Lucas (soprano) Rebecca Buswell (alto) Dominic Lee (tenor)

Ben Cooper (bass) Daniel Phillips (organ) Crispian Steele-Perkins (trumpet)

Performed with organ in Tewkesbury Abbey

Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas

June 14

John Barber: The Rain Queen
George Shearing: Shakespeare Songs and Sonnets
**Alexandre L'Estrange: Zimbe! Come, sing the songs
of Africa**

Joanna Forbes L'Estrange (soprano) Rob Mrozek (reader)

*A Jazz based concert entitled 'Zimbe!' with the Call Me Al Jazz Quintet
which performed a short Jazz set*

*The Rain Queen was composed especially for the concert by Choir
member John Barber based on a poem by Paul Edwards'*

*Children's choirs from Coppice Primary School and Gilbertstone
Primary School with Bournville Young Singers and West House School
Chorale took part in The Rain Queen and Zimbe!*

Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas in Town Hall, Birmingham

Oct 31

Fright Night Classics

Stephen Disley (organ)

*A selection of works to celebrate Halloween consisting of pieces for
Orchestra, Organ, and Choir and Orchestra*

*With the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra conducted
by John Pryce-Jones in Symphony Hall*

A Raymond Gubbay promotion

Nov 14

Spectacular Classics in Symphony Hall

Sky Ingram (soprano) Mario Sofroniou (tenor)

*With the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra conducted
by Anthony Inglis*

A Raymond Gubbay promotion with lasers and pyrotechnics

Dec 4

Handel: Messiah

Paula Greenwood Kate Symonds-Joy Simon Wall Alex Ashworth

*Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra*

Dec 19

Christmas with Aled Jones

Lucas Pinto (treble) Jonathan Antoine (tenor)

*A concert of Carols, Christmas music and readings for the Choir,
audience and soloists with the London Concert Orchestra
in Symphony Hall*

Introduced by Aled Jones

*Conducted by Adrian Lucas who also conducted the same concert three
more times in other venues*

A Raymond Gubbay promotion

2016

March 6 **Mahler: Symphony No. 8 (Symphony of a Thousand)**

Elisabeth Meister (soprano) Stephanie Corley (soprano) Alison Roddy (soprano)
Sarah Castle (mezzo soprano) Hananah Pedley (mezzo soprano)
Jeffrey Lloyd-Roberts (tenor) Morgan Pearse (baritone) Jeremy White (bass)

*By invitation in a Birmingham Philharmonic Orchestra concert,
promoted as part of their 75th anniversary season
The City of Birmingham Choir sang as Choir 1 with the University of
Birmingham Chorus as Choir 2 together with children from St Peter's
Collegiate Church and Coppice School, Wolverhampton
Conducted by BPO conductor Michael Lloyd in SymphonyHall*

May 7 **Karl Jenkins: Requiem**

Karl Jenkins: Palladio

Karl Jenkins: The Healer

Lucy Knight (soprano) Hakan Vramso (baritone)

*With the Manchester Concert Orchestra in Symphony Hall
conducted by Karl Jenkins
A Raymond Gubbay promotion*

July 3 **“Folk Songs and Finzi”**

Rutter: The Sprig of Thyme

Vaughan Williams: Six Studies in English Folk Songs

Darke: As The Leaves Fall

McDowall: A Family of Folk Songs

Finzi: Requiem da Camera

Hannah Grove (soprano) William Clements (baritone) Fontaine Liang (harp)

*Performed in the Elgar Hall, Bramall Music Building at the
University of Birmingham with The Westminster Chamber Orchestra,
Leader - Peter Davies
Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas*

Oct 15 **Mahler: Symphony No 2 (organ transcription arr. David Briggs)**

David Briggs (organ)

*A commercial CD Recording in Blackburn Cathedral by Adrian Lucas
The Choir performed in the final movement conducted by Christopher
Robinson*

Nov 6

“Songs from a Changing World”

Elgar: From the Bavarian Highlands

**Walton (arr. for piano by C Lambert): Swiss Jodelling
Song and Tango-Pasadoble from Facade
Suite No 1**

Tippett: Five Spirituals

Brahms: Liebeslieder Waltzes

**Walton (arr. for piano by C Lambert): Polka, Valse and
Tarentella sevillana from facade Suite No 1**

Chilcott: Five Days That Changed the World

Bibby Piano Duo Gareth Ceredig (timps)

*Performed in the Elgar Hall, Bramall Music Building at the University of
Birmingham and accompanied by the Bibby Sisters Piano Duo
Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas*

Nov 12

Spectacular Classics in Symphony Hall

Alexander James Edwards (tenor) James Cleverton (baritone)

*With the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra conducted
by Anthony Inglis in Symphony Hall*

A Raymond Gubbay promotion with lasers and pyrotechnics

Dec 2

Handel: Messiah

Alison Roddy Hannah Pedley Rupert Charlesworth George Humphries

*Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra*

Dec 18

BPO @ 75

*A group from the Choir sang a selection from Messiah as part of the
Birmingham Philharmonic Orchestra's Birthday Celebration
Conducted by Michael Lloyd in the Elgar Hall, Bramall Music Building at
the University of Birmingham*

Dec 19

Christmas Classics

Kevin Whately (reader) Julia Doyle (soprano)

Fanfare Trumpeters of the Band of the Queens Division

*A concert of Carols, Christmas music and readings for the Choir,
audience and soloists with the London Concert Orchestra*

A Raymond Gubbay promotion

Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas

2017

April 19 – 23 City of Birmingham Choir Concert Tour to Vienna

Around 90 Choir members took part in this trip to Vienna. The main group travelled from Heathrow with BA while others travelled by various means. Accommodation was at the Trend Park Royal Palace hotel situated close to the Schönbrunn Palace

Following a reception in the roof space of the cathedral on April 20th performances were then given in Stephansdom (St Stephen's Cathedral) on April 21st as follows: -

Midday Mass

Byrd: Haec Dies After the reading
Wood: This Joyful Eastertide Offertory
Bairstow: Let All Mortal Flesh keep Silence During Communion
Stanford: Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem After the Blessing

Paul Carr (organ)

Recital following the Mass

Finzi: Lo, The Full, Final Sacrifice
Walton: Set Me as a Seal
Finzi: God is Gone Up

Paul Carr (organ)

Evening Concert

Handel: Messiah

Cornelia Horak (soprano) Hermine Haselböck (alto) Alexander Kaimbacher (tenor)
Yasuhi Hirano (bass) Paul Carr (organ)

An abridged version of Messiah with Wiener Domorchester and soloists from Vienna

During the Mass and Recital several Choir members took the short solo parts. At the end of the Mass a certificate was presented to the Choir in recognition of the visit

May 20

Malcolm Arnold: English Dances (sets 1 and 2) (orchestra)
Finzi: Lo the Full Final Sacrifice (choir and organ)
Walton: Belshazzar's Feast

Morgan Pearse (baritone)

With The Birmingham Schools' Symphony Orchestra conducted by Michael Seal in Symphony Hall

In the first half the Choir performed the Finzi conducted by Adrian Lucas with Paul Carr at the organ

June 17

“Be Glad and Rejoice”

Byrd: Haec Dies

Bairnstow: Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Walton: Set Me as a Seal

Hollins: Concert overture in C minor for organ

Vaughan Williams: Te Deum in G

Gorecki: Totus Tuus

Finzi: God is Gone Up

Nicholas Choveaux: Three pieces for Organ

Ireland: Greater Love Hath No Man

Stanford: Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem

Paul Carr (organ)

Performed with organ in Tewkesbury Abbey

Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas

Nov 5

Mozart: Overture - The Magic Flute

Mozart: Piano Concerto No 21

Mozart: Requiem

Tom Poster (piano) Tereza Gevorgyan (soprano) Anna Huntley (mezzo soprano)

Oliver Johnston (tenor) Morgan Pearse (baritone)

With the Mozart Festival Orchestra in Symphony Hall

conducted by Adrian Lucas

A Raymond Gubbay promotion

Nov 11

Spectacular Classics in Symphony Hall

Ilona Domnich (soprano) David Butt Philip (tenor) Alexander Sitovetsky (violin)

With the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra conducted

by Anthony Inglis in Symphony Hall

A Raymond Gubbay promotion with lasers and pyrotechnics

Dec 8

Handel: Messiah

Rowan Pierce Kitty Whateley Bradley Smith James Cleverton

Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas

with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 18

Classic Carols

Sir Tony Robinson (reader) Nicky Spence (tenor) Crispian Steele-Perkins (trumpet)

A concert of Carols, Christmas music and readings for the Choir,

audience and soloists with the London Concert Orchestra

Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas

A Raymond Gubbay promotion

2018

June 23

Monteverdi: Vespro Della Beata Vergine

(Vespers of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

Emma Walsh (soprano) Augusta Hebbert (soprano) Simon Wall (tenor)
Guy Cutting (tenor) Ruairi Bowen (tenor) James Arthur (bass)
Jonathan Brown (bass)

*Performed in Gloucester Cathedral with The Musical and Amicable
Society and Quintessential Sackbut and Cornett Ensemble
Conducted by Adrian Lucas*

Nov 10

Spectacular Classics in Symphony Hall

David Butt Philip (tenor) Grant Doyle (baritone)

*With the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra conducted
by Anthony Inglis in Symphony Hall*

A Raymond Gubbay promotion with lasers and pyrotechnics

Nov 25

Elgar: The Dream of Gerontius

Kathryn Rudge (soprano) David Butt Philip (tenor) Morgan Pearse (bass)

*With the Birmingham Philharmonic Orchestra conducted
by Adrian Lucas in Birmingham Town Hall*

Dec 7

Handel: Messiah

Julia Doyle Anna Huntley Gwilym Bowen Andrew Greenan

*Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra*

Dec 21

Christmas Classics

William Dazeley (baritone)

*A concert of Carols and Christmas music for the Choir, audience
and soloists with the London Concert Orchestra*

A Raymond Gubbay promotion

Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas

2019

April 6

Bach: St John Passion

Bradley Smith (Evangelist / tenor) Richard Latham (Christus / bass)
Anna Dennis (soprano) Owen Willetts (alto) Mark Dobell (tenor)
James Arthur (bass) Martin Perkins (continuo)

Performed in Tewkesbury Abbey with the Westminster Chamber Orchestra

Conducted by Adrian Lucas

May 10

Glinka: Overture, Ruslan and Lyudmila

Rachmaninov: Piano Concerto No.2

Federico Colli (piano)

Carl Orff: Carmina Burana

Ailish Tynan (soprano) Anthony Gregory (tenor) Nicholas Lester (baritone)

The choir combined with the London Philharmonic Choir and Trinity Boys Choir to perform Carmina Burana

Performed with the Philharmonia Orchestra at the Royal Festival Hall in London conducted by Andrew Nethsinga

A Raymond Gubbay promotion

Nov 09

Spectacular Classics in Symphony Hall

Lauren Fagan (soprano) Timothy Richards (tenor)

With the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra conducted by Anthony Inglis in Symphony Hall

A Raymond Gubbay promotion with lasers and pyrotechnics

Nov 17

Will Todd: Mass in Blue

Joanna Forbes L'Estrange (soprano)

Performed in the Elgar Hall, Bramall Music Building at the University of Birmingham accompanied by the 'Call Me Al' Quintet Also including Lichfield Cathedral Young Voices and the Leek Young Phoenix Singers

Conducted by Adrian Lucas

Dec 6

Handel: Messiah

Sarah Fox Susanna Spicer Ben Thapa Jolyon Loy

Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 21

Christmas Cracker

Aled Jones (presenter) Jennifer France (soprano) Kyven Tan (treble)

A concert of Carols and Christmas music for the Choir, audience and soloists with the London Concert Orchestra

Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas A Raymond Gubbay promotion

Dec 30

**Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 5 'Emperor'
Symphony No. 9 'Choral'**

Daniel Lehardt (piano) Laura Hagan (soprano) Kathryn Rudge (mezzo soprano)
Oliver Johnston (tenor) Morgan Pearse (bass)

***With the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in Symphony Hall
conducted by Oliver Gooch***

***The Choir joined with the Birmingham Choral Union for this concert
A Raymond Gubbay promotion***

2020

March 14

Wagner: Prelude to Act III Lohengrin
Saint-Saëns: Symphony No 3 'Organ'
Carl Orff: Carmina Burana

Ailish Tynan (Soprano) Oliver Johnston (Tenor) William Dazeley (Baritone)
Winchester College Quiristers children's chorus

Performed in Symphony Hall with the London Concert Orchestra
Conducted by Adrian Lucas
A Raymond Gubbay promotion

All other live concerts in 2020 were cancelled due to the Covid 19 outbreak
These were to have been -

April

Concert tour to Prague

To have included a performance of Handel: Messiah

May

'Faure is the Heaven'

Concert in the Elgar Concert Hall at Birmingham University

Dec 4

Haydn at Home - launched on U-tube

Hannah Grove (soprano)

Excerpts from the Nelson Mass (Missa in Angustiis)
The Choir was prepared on-line by Adrian Lucas who compiled
contributions submitted by Choir members and members of the
Westminster Chamber Orchestra - leader: Peter Davis
A Keep Singing Project during lockdown

Dec 19

Carols for a lockdown Christmas - launched on U-tube

The Choir was prepared on-line by Adrian Lucas who compiled
contributions submitted by Choir members and members of the
Westminster Chamber Orchestra - leader: Peter Davis
A Keep Singing Project during lockdown

2021

Nov 10 **Vaughan Williams: In Windsor Forest**
Vaughan Williams: Serenade to Music
Launched on line for Choir members
The Choir was prepared on-line by Adrian Lucas who compiled contributions submitted by Choir members and members of the Westminster Chamber Orchestra - leader: Peter Davis
A Keep Singing Project during lockdown

Live rehearsals started again in the Autumn of 2021

Nov 13 **Spectacular Classics in Symphony Hall**
Robyn Lyn Evans (tenor) Grant Doyle (baritone) Thomas Gould (violin)
With the London Concert Orchestra conducted by Anthony Inglis in Symphony Hall
A Raymond Gubbay promotion with lasers and pyrotechnics

Nov 28 **Handel: Messiah - The Inside View**
Claire Lees (soprano) Nicholas Mulroy (tenor) Christopher Allsop (organ)
Martin Perkins (harpsichord)
Performed in Birmingham Town Hall with the Westminster Chamber Orchestra - leader: Peter davies
A specially created family event prepared to appeal to young people and those unfamiliar with classical concerts
The work was introduced by Adrian Lucas and was filmed and recorded for educational use
This date is exactly 100 years since the Choir gave its very first concert which was in this same hall

Dec 10 **Handel: Messiah**
Lucy Bowen Catherine King Bradley Smith James Cleverton
Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 12 **Grand Christmas Classics**
Alan Titchmarsh (presenter) Jennifer France (soprano)
Quiristers of Winchester College Children's Choir
A concert of Carols and Christmas music for the Choir, audience and soloists with the London Concert Orchestra
Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas
A Raymond Gubbay promotion

2022

June 11

“Faire is the Heaven”

Mendelssohn: Wer Nur Den Lieben Gott Lasst Walten

Byrd: Ave Verum Corpus

Weelkes: O Lord Arise

Holst: St Paul’s Suite

Monteverdi: Nisi Dominus

Harris: Faire is the Heaven

Harris: Bring Us, O Lord God

Handel: Concerto Grosso in D major/minor Op.3 No.6

Byrd: Three Motets - Victimae Paschali

Terra Tremuit

Pascha Nostrum

Handel: Laudate Pueri Nostrum

Hannah Grove (soprano) Martin Perkins (organ)

Westminster Chamber Orchestra - Leader: Marian Givens
Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas in Tewkesbury Abbey

Oct 29

Spectacular Classics in Symphony Hall

Ilona Domnich (soprano) Luis Gomes (tenor)

With the London Concert Orchestra conducted

by Robert Emery in Symphony Hall

A Raymond Gubbay promotion with lasers and pyrotechnics

Nov 6

“100th Anniversary concert”

Vaughan Williams: Benedicite

Vaughan Williams: A Sea Symphony

Alexandra Lowe (soprano) Benson Wilson (baritone)

Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas

with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

The concert was followed by a reception for present and past members of the choir with invited supporters and guests

Dec 9

Handel: Messiah

Rebecca Hardwick Hugh Cutting Tom Castle Ashley Riches

Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas

with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

Dec 17

Carols for All

Concert performed at St Martin in the Bull Ring, Birmingham

with Paul Carr (organ) conducted by Adrian Lucas

A Concert supporting Places of Welcome at St Martin’s

2023

May 13

“Saints and Angels”

Britten: The Company of Heaven

Cecilia McDowell: Ave Maris Stella

Susan Spain-Dunk: Suite in B minor

Finzi: Magnificat

Iona Mandal (speaker) Louise Wayman (soprano) Peter Davoran (tenor)

Paul Carr (organ)

Westminster Chamber Orchestra - Leader: Peter Davies

Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas in Elgar Hall, University of Birmingham

June 18

Beethoven: Piano Concerto No 5 (Emperor)

Beethoven: Choral Symphony No 9

Danny Driver (piano) Anita Watson (soprano)

Rebecca Afonwy-Jones (mezzo-soprano) Samuel Sakkar (tenor)

Thomas D Hopkinson (bass)

With the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in Symphony Hall

conducted by Oliver Gooch

*The Choir joined with the Birmingham Choral Union for this concert
A Raymond Gubbay promotion*

Nov 12

Michael Hurd: Shepherd's Calendar

Malcolm Arnold: Serenade for Small Orchestra

George Butterworth: The Banks of Green Willow

Beethoven: Mass in C

Louise Wayman (soprano) Izzi Blain (alto) Tom Raskin (tenor) James Arthur (bass)

Westminster Chamber Orchestra - Leader: Peter Davies

Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas in the Ruddock Performing Arts Centre, Birmingham

Dec 8

Handel: Messiah

Kathie Tretheway Kate Symonds-Joy Nicholas Mulroy Jamie Woollard

Concert in Symphony Hall conducted by Adrian Lucas

with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra

2024

March 2

“Reflections - music for Lent”

Bach: Cantata 12: Weinen, Klagen, Sorgen, Zagen

Albinoni: Adagio in G minor

Haydn: Stabat Mater

Hannah Davey (soprano) Nina Vinther (alto) Simon Wall (tenor) Alan Ashworth (bass)

Orchestra of the Musical and Amicable Society

Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas in Lichfield Cathedral

June 15

“French Romantics”

Vierne: Toccata in Bflat Minor (Op.53) (organ)

Vierne: Messe Solennelle (Op.16)

Durufle: Sicilienne (from Op.5) (organ)

Villette: Tu Es Petrus

Dupre: De Profundis (Op.18)

David Briggs (organ) Philippa Hyde (soprano) Tom Castle (tenor) Jolyon Loy (bass)

Performed with organ accompaniment

Concert conducted by Adrian Lucas in Tewkesbury Abbey