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## Concert Season Spring/ Summer 2010



**Nigel Perrin**

*Celebrating 20 years  
as Musical Director*

*"Nigel Perrin's conducting was fluid and masterful"*  
Wiltshire Gazette and Herald July 09



**Rossini *Stabat Mater***  
**Bach *Cantata BWV 182***  
**Monteverdi *Beatus Vir***

**The City of Bath Bach Choir**  
**Wessex Sinfonia**

Adrian Eales Leader

Marcus Sealy Organ

**Nigel Perrin Conductor**

**Saturday 27 March, 7.30pm**  
**Bath Abbey**

*Tickets: £25, £20, £17.50 £12, £8*  
*Concessions for children under 16*

**CBBC advance sales: 07967 444 079**  
*1 January to 22 February 2010*

**Bath Festivals Box Office: 01225 463 362**  
*from 1 March 2010*



**Brahms *Requiem***  
**Horowitz *Captain Noah***  
**and his Floating Zoo**

**The City of Bath Bach Choir**  
**The CBBC Junior Choir**

Marcus Sealy Piano

Nick Thorne Piano

Leah Jackson Soprano

Simon Trist Baritone

Adrienne Hale Junior Choir Musical  
Director

**Nigel Perrin Musical Director**

**Saturday 19 June, 6pm**  
**The Wiltshire Music Centre,**  
**Bradford on Avon**

*Tickets: £17. Concessions for children under 18: £13*  
*Tickets from the Wiltshire Music Centre*  
**01225 860 100**

On the first occasion I conducted a CBBC concert in Bath Abbey exactly 20 years ago, I had never conducted a big choir with an orchestra before, let alone a piece that was challenging for both: Monteverdi's Vespers. In retrospect the choir was taking quite a gamble – it could all have fallen about their ears.

Instead it was the start of a sparkling relationship, which has given me the opportunity to explore a huge repertoire and the choir the ability to become increasingly versatile, equally at home with the baroque works of Bach as with large-scale, romantic choral works and jazz.

For our Spring Concert we have come full circle to perform more Monteverdi: on this occasion *Beatus Vir*, his setting of Psalm 112, which has the lilting overtones of a Venetian carnival.

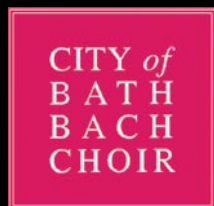
Our major work is a romantic one: Rossini's flamboyant, passionate and, as one would expect, operatic setting of the *Stabat Mater*. I'm looking forward to it, not least because last time we performed it, Marcus Sealy had to play the clarinet parts on the organ, the clarinetists having failed mysteriously to reappear after the interval.

Inspired by our recent trip to sing in the Thomaskirche in Leipzig, where Bach was choirmaster, we'll also be bringing the cantata he wrote for Palm Sunday, *Himmelskönig sei willkommen*, to Bath Abbey.

Looking ahead, and to prove what I said about versatility, our Summer Concert at the Wiltshire Music Centre will feature Brahms's German Requiem: the version he arranged for piano duet. Far from missing the grandeur of the full orchestra, the arrangement reinforces the intimate and deeply personal nature of the piece. In contrast, we shall be supporting our Junior Choir in the hugely entertaining work by Flanders and Horowitz, *Captain Noah and his Floating Zoo*.

Before all this, we'd like to invite you to our Open Evening (Jan 18) and/or our Annual Workshop (Jan 23), in which we shall immerse ourselves in Mozart's sublime and unsurpassed Requiem. Visit [www.bathbachchoir.org.uk](http://www.bathbachchoir.org.uk) for the details. On both occasions you will discover the camaraderie and sense of wellbeing that spring from singing together in a great group. I'd like to thank the CBBC for keeping me invigorated, challenged and young... and I'm looking forward to the next 20 years.

Nigel Perrin, December 2009



## Choir information

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## Concerts and Events this season

### Open Rehearsal

Monday 18 January 2010

For more information, please contact the Membership Secretary

### Choral Workshop - Mozart Requiem

Saturday 23 January 2010

St Michael's Church, Broad Street, Bath

Tickets £14

Booking via 01225 864 370 or [richard.a.young@btinternet.com](mailto:richard.a.young@btinternet.com)

**Rossini** *Stabat Mater*

**Bach** *Cantata BWV 182 Himmelskönig, sei willkommen*

**Monteverdi** *Beatus Vir*

Saturday 27 March 2010, 7.30pm, Bath Abbey

Enquiries for tickets to CBBC 07967 444 079

Tickets available from the Bath Festivals Box Office

01225 463 362 or online at [www.bathfestivals.org.uk/cbbc](http://www.bathfestivals.org.uk/cbbc)

**Brahms** *Requiem*

**Horowitz** *Captain Noah and his Floating Zoo*

Saturday 19 June 2010, 6pm, Wiltshire Music Centre, Bradford on Avon.

Tickets available from the Wiltshire Music Centre on 01225 860 100.

## Future Concerts

**Chilcott** *Salisbury Vespers*

**Monteverdi** *Hymns and Psalms*

Saturday 6 November 2010, 7.30pm Bath Abbey

## Carols by Candlelight

15, 16, 17 December, 2010

The Pump Room, Bath

## CBBC Membership

Details for joining the City of Bath Bach Choir or the CBBC Junior Choir are available on our website. Alternatively please contact the Membership Secretary or the Junior Choir Secretary.

## Patrons and Friends

We are very grateful for the continued support given by the CBBC's Patrons and Friends. If you are interested in joining please contact the Patrons and Friends Secretary to receive details of subscriptions and privileges.

**For further information on the choir and all concerts and events, please visit [www.bathbachchoir.org.uk](http://www.bathbachchoir.org.uk)**

## Rossini, Bach, Monteverdi 27 March 2010

Advance bookings close 22 February

Block	Adult Full Price	Adult 4 or more	Children under 16
A	£25	£22	£8
B	£20	£17	£8
C	£17.50	£14.50	£8
D	£12	£9	£8
E	£8	£8	£8

North Aisle	Front Nave		South Aisle
7D	1A	2A	9D
	3B	4B	
8E	5C	6C	10E

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### The Ticket Secretary

33 Poulton, Bradford on Avon, Wilts. BA15 1EA

Please enclose order form and SAE with your cheque made payable to CBBC.

## Advance Booking through CBBC

Telephone 07967 444 079 or use the form to book tickets through the choir until the closing date indicated.

Please make all cheques payable to CBBC. Send your remittance with the booking form plus an SAE to: The Ticket Secretary, 33 Poulton, Bradford on Avon, Wilts, BA15 1EA. Tickets will be forwarded to you four weeks before the date of the concert.

From 1 March 2010 concert tickets will be available from Bath Festivals Box Office: 2 Church Street, Abbey Green, Bath BA1 1NL (01225 463 362).