

Concert Programme October to December 2008

Friday 10th October 7.30 pm

The Countess of Munster Musical Trust Concert

CALVERT-RHIND DUO

ROWENA CALVERT - 'CELLO ALISON RHIND - PIANO

"Rowena Calvert is one of the most gifted cellists to have studied at the Royal Northern College of Music. Her playing is characterised by wonderful technical fluency and great musicianship. She is a performer who plays with real musical passion and audiences love her. She is a performer who plays with real musical passion and audiences love her" Malcolm Layfield (Head of Strings at the RNCM).

Alison Rhind, for many years the principal accompanist at the Yebudi Menuhin School of Music, is now a freelance répétiteur and accompanist and performs regularly with Rowena.

Friday 14th November 7.30 pm

QUENTIN HAYES - BARITONE

LYNDALL DAWSON - PIANO

A recital of operatic arias, concentrating mainly on Quentin's many appearances at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden during the last 8 years. Introduced with information not only about the context but also of his working with many of the great singers, conductors and composers of the past 25 years including Luciano Pavarotti, Sir Peter Pears, Roberto Alagna, Sir Charles Groves, Sir George Solti, Sir Bernard Haitink, Antonio Pappano, Sir Alexander Gibson, Sir Richard Armstrong, Sir Simon Rattle, and Sir Harrison Birtwistle - to name but a few!

Friday 12th December 7.30 pm (at High Street Witney Methodist Church)

PHOENIX RECORDER ORCHESTRA

An evening of Christmas music. The programme ranges from the early 1400s with John Dunstable, to the last year or so. Along the way will be much-loved music by great masters such as J S Bach (from his Christmas Oratorio) and Corelli (the Christmas Concerto). The lighter side of things will also be well represented, and will include one of the orchestra's most-requested pieces - a witty 21st century arrangement of Jingle Bells!

Concert Programme January to March 2009

Saturday 10th January 7.30pm High Street Methodist Church

CAMERON TODD — TRUMPET

Accompanist (tba) — PIANO & ORGAN

Cameron Todd is a Making Music Recommended Concert Artist 2007

Cameron Todd studied at the Royal Academy of Music, finishing his Master's degree in 2004. During his time at the Academy he performed with the BBC National Orchestra of Wales, the Wallace Collection Brass Ensemble and the European Union Youth Orchestra. He also played in the orchestra at Buckingham Palace commemorating the Queen's Golden Jubilee.

Friday 13th February 7.30 pm

BOBBY CHEN - PIANO

Sonata No.2 Op.14 in d minor
Romeo and Juliet: 10 pieces for Piano Op.75 - selection
Sonata Op.13 'Pathétique'

Eight Voyages for Piano – selection

5 Baguettes
Nocturnes
Ballade

Prokofiev
Prokofiev
Beethoven

Grant Foster (UK
premiere)

Ferguson
Chopin
Chopin

Friday 13th March 7.30 pm

IUVENTUS STRING QUARTET

Haydn Quartet opus 76 no. 4 in B flat major ('Sunrise')
Shostakovich Quartet no. 1 opus 49 in C major
Brahms Quartet no. 2 opus 51 in A minor

A welcome return by this fine String Quartet. Earlier this year they performed in Jakarta, Indonesia and Bangkok, Thailand and went on to give workshops to Burmese orphans in the refugee camps on the Thai-Burma border.