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1933	Joyce Newton	2013	Magdalena Molendowska	1982	Simon Emes
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Voice and piano

Daniel Shelvey & Dylan Perez Bianca Andrew & Dylan Perez Samuel Carl & Leo Nicholson Josep-Ramon Olivé & Lana Bode

INTERVAL - 20 MINUTES

Tchaikovsky Polonaise from *Eugene Onegin*

Voice and orchestra

Daniel Shelvey Bianca Andrew Samuel Carl Josep-Ramon Olivé

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Daniel Shelvey

Voice and piano

Schubert *Der Wanderer*, *Op. 4 No. 1 (D493)*

The traveller has come down from the mountains; he wanders in silence, sad and alone. He sighs: 'Where?' In a ghostly whisper comes the reply: 'Where you are not, there happiness lies.'

Vaughan Williams Youth and Love, Songs of Travel, No. 4

Vaughan Williams set nine poems from Robert Louis Stevenson's 'Songs of Travel' in 1904. The youth passes through a world of earthly delights, but his mind is on his nobler fate as he travels onward, forsaking even his beloved.

Tchaikovsky *At the Ball, Op. 38 No. 3*

Amid the din and bustle of the ball, I caught sight of you by chance; your features were shrouded in mystery. In the lonely hours of the night, I see again your sad eyes and hear your voice. I don't know if I love you; perhaps I do... Tchaikovsky Don Juan's Serenade, Op. 38 No. 1

In Count Alexei Tolstoy's poem, Don Juan serenades his beloved Nisetta, asking her to come out on to her balcony to admire the moon rising over the Alpujarra mountains. 'From Seville to Granada you can hear serenades and the clashing of swords; I will give my blood and my song for the most enchanting of women.'

Voice and orchestra

Tchaikovsky Eugene Onegin – Uzhel ta samaya Tatyana

As a young girl, Tatyana had written a letter to Eugene Onegin impetuously declaring her love for him, but he had spurned her passion. Some years later he sees her again, now married to a retired general. Can this be the same Tatyana, so beautiful, so calm and self-assured? No doubt about it – Onegin has fallen hopelessly in love.

Mozart Così fan tutte – Rivolgete a lui lo sguardo

Two young men have taken a bet to prove their fiancées unfaithful; pretending to go away, they return disguised as 'Albanians' and woo each other's betrothed. The disguised Guglielmo enumerates the finer points of his friend Ferrando and himself, inviting the girls to look and touch: fine eyes, fine feet, fine noses... and magnificent moustaches — the triumph of manhood, the plumage of love.

Britten Billy Budd - Look! Through the port

The young naval recruit Billy Budd has accidentally killed the hated Master-at-Arms on board his ship. Condemned to hang from the yard-arm, Billy lies in chains the night before his execution and faces his fate with calm resignation.

Mozart Don Giovanni – Finch'han del vino

In order to seduce a young bride, Zerlina, Don Giovanni has ordered a splendid feast to be laid on at his palace for all her friends and wedding guests. Now the wine is warming them up, he says, he's looking forward to a great party, with wild dancing and love-making; by the morning there'll be ten new names to add to his list...



Daniel Shelvey

Baritone b. England

Training (1st class Hons) Royal Northern College of Music, currently second year Guildhall School Opera Course studying with Robert Dean.

Scholarships Haberdashers' Opera Scholarship, Headley Trust Scholarship, Richard Van Allan Prize 2015, Countess of Munster Recitalist 2016.

Experience Damyan *The Tale of Januarie*, Robert *Iolanta*, Junius *The Rape of Lucretia* Guildhall School; Flora's Servant *La traviata*, Morales (cover) *Carmen* Glyndebourne; Ulisse *Il ritorno d'Ulisse in patria*, Sid *Albert Herring*, Boris *Paradise Moscow* RNCM; Aeneas *Dido and Aeneas* Silk Opera.

Future plans Marchese d'Obigny *La traviata* Glyndebourne 2017.

Bianca Andrew

Voice and piano

Wolf Nimmersatte Liebe

Love can never be satiated with kisses – it's like trying to fill a sieve with water. When we wounded each other with bites while kissing, the girl pleaded for more... Even Solomon the wise was in love Rachmaninov Ya zhdu tebya, like this.

Ross Harris Gossip

New Zealand composer Ross Harris has been Composer in Residence for the Auckland Philharmonic and the New Zealand School of Music. Gossip – a wry look at the changing seasons - is from his song cycle Wild Daisies.

Chausson La chanson bien douce

Listen to the gentle song that weeps only to delight you... You once knew the voice, but it is now veiled like a proud widow. It tells you that kindness is our life, and hate and envy pass away with death. It brings consolation to the suffering soul; listen to the wise song.

Reynaldo Hahn Phyllis

A love song set in ancient Rome. For nine years my

wine has been maturing in its sealed jar; Phyllis, let us garland your locks with acanthus and myrtle. I love you; Telephus now burns for another. Our finest night lies before us. Sing, my love! Poetry is sweet when your voice murmurs it.

Op. 14 No. 1

I wait for you; the sun has set and night is falling. Mist covers the sleeping world, and the past bids farewell to earth. Tormented and in love. I count each moment; I wait impatiently for you!

Anthony Ritchie Song

New Zealand composer Anthony Ritchie's prolific output includes choral and orchestral works, songs and chamber music. Song is a simple and moving setting of a religious poem by James K Baxter.

Voice and orchestra

Massenet Cendrillon - Enfin, je suis ici

Returning from the ball, Cinderella fled the palace in panic, losing her slipper on the way. Will her fairy godmother ever forgive her? The chiming of the clock reassures her that all will be well.

Hugo Alfvén Skogen sover, Op. 28 No. 6

The forest sleeps; a last ray of sunlight flickers in the sky. Her laughter has fallen silent, and already she is asleep. Love stands guard over its treasure in the June night.

Mozart *Le nozze di Figaro* – Voi che sapete

The pageboy Cherubino is in love with every woman in the Count's palace, especially the Countess, to whom he sings this song in her boudoir. 'You ladies who know what love is, tell me if it's what I am experiencing; I feel pleasure and pain, I freeze and then I'm on fire... yet I rather enjoy it.'

Kurt Weill One Touch of Venus - I'm a Stranger Here Myself

In Weill's 1943 musical, an antique statue of the goddess Venus comes to life. She has fallen in love with the man who resurrected her, but is puzzled as to the nature of love in these unfamiliar 20th-century surroundings.



Bianca Andrew

Mezzo-soprano b. New Zealand

Training MPerf, Guildhall School, BMus, PgDipMus, New Zealand School of Music, currently second year Guildhall School Opera Course studying with Yvonne Kenny.

Scholarships The Gwen Catley Scholarship from The Amar-Franses and Foster-Jenkins Trust, Kiri Te Kanawa Foundation, Kiwi Music Scholarship, John and Margaret Hunn Educational Trust, Samling Artist.

Competitions Ferrier Loveday Song Prize, Kathleen Ferrier Competition 2016, first prize and audience prize, Chartered Surveyors Vocal Competition 2015, Kiri Te Kanawa Award, New Zealand Lexus Song Quest 2014.

Experience Signora Ravizza/Flycap/Julietta *The Tale of* Januarie, Neighbour Mavra, Laura Iolanta, Philomène Alexandre Bis, Beatrice (cover) Le donne curiose Guildhall School; Meg Page Falstaff Cambridge Philharmonic Orchestra; Zerlina (cover) Don Giovanni, Kate Pinkerton Madam Butterfly, Settler Hobepa New Zealand Opera; Lucette Cendrillon Melbourne Opera Studio; Romeo I Capuleti e i Montecchi, Octavian Der Rosenkavalier, Cherubino Le nozze di Figaro Days Bay Opera, New Zealand.

Future plans Title role Radamisto Guildhall School, soloist 'Opera Highlights' West of England Youth Orchestra, soloist America: A Prophecy Cambridge Philharmonic Orchestra, Madrigal Singer Manon Lescaut Auckland Philhamonia Orchestra, soloist Samling's Wigmore Showcase.

Samuel Carl

Voice and piano

Nicolai Medtner *Echo*, *Op. 32 No. 1*

Pushkin's poem was also set by Britten and Rimsky-Korsakov, among others. An animal howling in the forest, a horn call, thunder, a maiden singing – you answer all of these; the ocean's roar, the voice of the storm, a shepherd's cry – you answer, but no one replies to you. It's the same for you, poet...

Peter Wishart My God, why hast Thou forsaken me

Peter Wishart (1921–1984) studied with Nadia Boulanger and taught at the Guildhall School, Birmingham University, King's College London, and Reading University, where he was Professor of Music. His compositions include five operas and numerous songs, including this setting of the words of St Augustine.

Pavel Haas A Sleepless Night from Four Songs on Chinese Poetry

A pupil of Janáček, Moravian composer Pavel Haas (1899– 1944) wrote his *Four Songs on Chinese Poetry* in the Terezin concentration camp in the last year of his life. 'Bamboos sway in the wind, moonlight shines on stone, the shadow of a wild goose crosses the Milky Way; I dream with pleasure of our meeting, but the cries of jackdaws are already waking the day.'

Brahms Wenn ich mit Menschen from Vier Ernste Gesänge, Op. 121 No. 4

One of Brahms's 'four serious songs' to Biblical texts.
Chapter 13 of St Paul's First
Epistle to the Corinthians
deals with the nature of
Christian love: 'Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not love, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal... Now abideth faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.'

Voice and orchestra

Mozart Don Giovanni – Madamina, il catalogo è questo

Don Giovanni's servant, Leporello, tries to disillusion one of Giovanni's former lovers, Donna Elvira, by revealing the contents of his master's catalogue of conquests. Women of every class, every shape, every age, a different one for every season: 640 in Italy, 231 in Germany, 100 in France, 91 in Turkey – but here in Spain... 1003.

Mussorgsky (orchestrated by Shostakovich) *Trepak (Songs and Dances of Death, No. 3)*

Deep in the forest, Death dances with a drunken peasant. He whispers in his ear: 'Old man, you're worn out by bad luck and grief; lie down and sleep! I'll warm you with snow... Forests and clouds, darkness, wind and driving snow, weave a soft white shroud; I'll wrap the old man in it like a baby... Sleep, my dear friend, summer is here! The sun shines on the cornfield, there's a song in the air...'

Offenbach Les contes d'Hoffmann – Scintille, diamant

One of Hoffmann's sinister adversaries, Dappertutto, flashes a diamond ring to entice the Venetian courtesan Giulietta to seduce Hoffmann and steal his shadow, making him the Devil's slave. 'Sparkle, diamond, like the mirror that attracts the lark. Neither lark nor woman can resist the bait; one loses its life, the other loses her soul.'



Samuel Carl

Bass-baritone b. England

Training MA (1st class Hons) University of Glasgow, Royal Conservatoire of Scotland, currently on the Guildhall Artist Masters programme studying with Robert Dean and Janice Chapman.

Scholarships Hazell Scholarship, The Ailene Hunter Scholarship for David Jones's studio New York, Ian Donald Wilson Memorial scholarship for Berlin Opera Academy.

Competitions Third prize in Maureen Lehane Vocal Competitions 2016 (Wigmore Hall).

Experience Haydn's *Nelson Mass* Scottish Chamber Orchestra, William Taft *Park and Bark* American Opera Projects, Sarastro *Die Zauberflöte* Berlin Opera Academy, Colline *La bohème* and Monterone *Rigoletto*, Sheen Center New York City, Polyphemus *Acis and Galatea* Music of the Spheres, Glasgow, Crow *Boys of Paradise* Tête à Tête, Brahms *Vier Ernste Gesänge* LSO St Luke's, Pavel Haas *Sleepless Night* Wigmore Hall broadcast on BBC Radio 3.

Future Plans Glyndebourne Chorus 2017.

Josep-Ramon Olivé

Voice and piano

Mompou Fo et pressentia com la mar (Combat del somni, No. 3)

The Catalan text is by Josep Janés. 'I sensed you were like the sea and the wind, immense and free; now that I have you, I see how limited my dream was... You are not the wind or the sea: you are boundless, there can never be words to express you, nor landscapes to form your world.'

Schubert *Du bist die Ruh,* D776

You are rest and peace; you are longing, and yet you still it. In pleasure and pain I consecrate myself to you. Come in, and softly close the gates behind you; drive the pain from my breast, let my heart be filled with your joy. The temple of my eyes is lit by your radiance; fill it completely!

Duparc *Le manoir de Rosemonde*

Love has bitten me like a dog. Follow my spilt blood, track my way on horseback through quagmire or hidden path. I have travelled through this sad world wounded and alone... And so I went off to die far away, without ever finding Rosemonde's blue manor-house.

Rachmaninov O dolgo budu ja, Op. 4 No. 3

In the silence of the secret night, I'll try to forget your chatter, your smile, a casual glance – only to remember them once more. I'll recall the words I once uttered awkwardly to you; drunk with love, I'll awaken the darkness with your beloved name.

Strauss Heimliche Aufforderung (Secret invitation), Op. 27 No. 3

Raise the sparkling goblet to your lips; give me a secret sign, then I'll smile and drink in silence. But when you've eaten and drunk your fill, follow me into the garden. There I'll wait for you; once more I'll sink on your breast and drink your kisses, and weave roses into your hair. Come, glorious night we long for!

Voice and orchestra

Handel Lotario (HWV 26) – Se il mar promette calma

A sailor may believe a forecast of calm seas, but find his ship caught in a dangerous storm; a human soul may likewise suffer adverse fate, but when that fate is appeased, he must not provoke it now that it brings consolation.

Korngold Die tote Stadt – Mein Sehnen, mein Wähnen

Pierrot sings of his longings and fancies that draw him back in dreams. As he danced by the Rhine a blue-eyed girl begged him not to leave her, so he joined a travelling theatre troupe to be with her. 'Rapture and hunger, illusion and joy... that is the entertainer's fate.'

Rossini Il barbiere di Siviglia – Largo al factotum

Make way for Figaro, the city factotum! I'm the barber of Seville – and I also set up assignations for the ladies and the gentlemen. Everyone wants Figaro: one at a time, please! What a life! What a lucky fellow I am!

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Josep-Ramon Olivé

Baritone b. Spain

Training MPerf, Opera Course, Guildhall School, Escola Superior de Música de Catalunya, currently on the Guildhall School Artist Diploma programme studying under Rudolf Piernay.

Scholarships Harry Rolfe Award.

Competitions First prize and audience prize 2015 Handel Singing Competition, Oxford Lieder Young Artist 2010.

Experience London Handel Orchestra, Les Concert des Nations, Hespérion XXI, Barcelona Symphony Orchestra, Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment, Palau de la Música Catalana, Shanghai Grand Theatre, Konzerthaus Vienna, Philharmonie de Paris and Barbican Hall. Collaborations with Jordi Savall, Kazushi Ono, Laurence Cummings and Sigiswald Kujken, recordings for Alia-Vox, Columna Música, Phaedra, Discmedi and Musièpoca labels. Currently a member of the Capella Reial de Catalunya conducted by Jordi Savall.

Future plans The Count *Le nozze di Figaro* Clonter Opera, Le Jardin des Voix Academy with William Christie and Paul Agnew.

Pianists



Lana BodePiano
b. United States of America

Training BMus (Distinction) Indiana University Jacobs School of Music, MMus (Distinction) in piano accompaniment at the Guildhall School with Andrew West and Rolf Hind.

Competitions Hamburger Prize for song accompaniment (2013), Concert Recital Diploma (2014), Guildhall School, YCAT Semi-finalist (2015), Samling Artist, Leverhulme Artist, alumnus of the Britten-Pears Young Artist Programme.

Experience Performances at Wigmore Hall, Barbican Hall and Royal Festival Hall, collaborations with Graham Johnson, Roger Vignoles, Iain Burnside and Jane Manning, masterclasses with Julius Drake, Sarah Walker, Martin Frost, Stephan Loges, Felicity Lott and Roderick Williams, and performances for John McCabe, Jonathan Dove, Brian Elias and Sadie Harrison. Currently working at Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music & Dance.



Leo Nicholson Piano

b. England

Training Purcell School, Junior Royal Northern College of Music, BMus (1st class Hons) Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music & Dance.

Competitions John Longmire Beethoven Competition, Alfred Kitchen Chopin Competition, TCM Silver Medal (keyboard), Silver Medal awarded by the Worshipful Company of Musicians.

Experience Piano duo performances with Rosanna Ter-Berg at Purcell Room, Wigmore Hall and Bridgewater Hall, performances throughout the UK with saxophonist Anthony Brown. Leo currently works as a soloist and performs with 'Piano Circus' and 'Thumb'.



Dylan Perez Piano

b. United States of America

Training University of Michigan, Guildhall Artist Masters programme (graduated with distinction in 2016), alumnus of Franz-Schubert-Institut in Baden bei Wien, Austria, currently Artist Diploma at the Guildhall School studying under Eugene Asti, Julius Drake, and Andrew West.

Scholarships Guildhall Scholar, Norman Gee Foundation.

Competitions Gerald Moore Award, Paul Hamburger Prize, semi-finalist 'Das Lied' International Song Competition, finalist Kathleen Ferrier Award, Ferrier Loveday Song Prize (with Bianca Andrew).

Experience Performances at Wigmore Hall with the Prince Consort, Barbican Hall in LSO Platforms, BBC Proms Extra concert broadcast on BBC Radio 3, with Graham Johnson for two Song Guild recitals, participated in masterclasses with Renée Fleming, Joyce DiDonato and Dame Felicity Lott, and with Roger Vignoles and Christian Gerhaher at Wigmore Hall.



Dominic Wheeler

Conductor



Educated as an organ scholar at Clare College, Cambridge, Opera Conducting Scholar at the Royal College of Music and the Royal Academy of Music, and student at the Liszt Academie, Budapest, Dominic now enjoys a varied career conducting opera, dance and symphonic repertoire all over the world.

He has conducted opera for English National Opera, Opera North, Scottish Opera, ROH2 at the Linbury, Opera de Nice, New Zealand Opera, English Touring Opera, Opera Holland Park, Chelsea Opera Group and Independent Opera at Sadler's Wells, with whom he recorded a double bill of operas by Elizabeth Maconchy for Chandos, and whose production of Debussy's *Pelléas et Mélisande* was shortlisted for an RPS Opera Award.

In symphonic and choral repertoire, he has conducted the Philharmonia, BBC Philharmonic Orchestra, BBC Concert Orchestra and Singers, Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra and Chorus, Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, Orchestra of Opera North, City of London Sinfonia, English Chamber Orchestra, London Mozart Players, Northern Sinfonia, Sinfonia Viva, Bach Choir and Leeds Festival Chorus. Internationally, Dominic has conducted the European Youth Orchestra and the orchestras of the Geidai Arts University and the Opera Studio of the New National Theatre in Tokyo, the Liszt Academie and the Banff Centre. Future plans include debuts at the Hungarian State Opera and Geidai Philharmonic Orchestra.

An advocate of new music, Dominic has collaborated regularly with and led premieres by composers such as Judith Weir, Jonathan Dove, Stephen McNeff, Stuart MacRae, Nitin Sawhney and Jonathan Harvey, and this year he commissioned and conducted the world premiere of Julian Philips' opera for the Guildhall School, The Tale of Januarie.

Passionate about working with students, and for many years a visiting professor at all of London's major conservatoires, Dominic was appointed Head of Opera at the Guildhall School in 2012.

Guildhall Symphony Orchestra

Lyrit Milgram, concert master

Violin 1

Lyrit Milgram Valerie Clare Sanders Patrycja Mynarska Callie Brennan Franziska Deschner Chloe Stowers-Veitch Anna Roder Riley Court-Wood Katherine Sung Karolina Sutt Carl Vallin Andrea Timpanaro Bacem Anas Romdhani Juri Uchishiba Tilman Fleig

Violin 2

Timothy Crawford James Wicks Nadine Nigl Arisa Nemoto Aria Kitaguchi Sofia Presta Jan Bislin Erin Ćoralić Melissa Hutter Matthew Sach-Keen Leegene Kwon Demver Blancio

Viola

Luba Tunnicliffe Francesca Gilbert Anna Growns Chu-Hui Huang Sarah McCabe Abigail Brewster William Harpum Lorena Cantó Woltèche Kate Correia De Campos James Flannery

Cello

Thomas Vidal Anais Laugenie Cho Ki Jacky Siu Hoi Ying Yuen Akito Goto Kai-Hei Chor Penka Petkova Joanna Twaddle

Double bass Daniel Mollov A Cruz Dos Santos Martin Ludenbach Stefano Colombelli Thomas Morgan Miguel Pedraza

Flute & Piccolo

Antonia Berg Simon Williams Martina Mihulkova

Oboe & English horn

Evan Sanchez Corinne Ellul

Clarinet & Bass clarinet

Bethan Irving Charlotte Bartley Isha Crichlow Lauren Brown

Bassoon & Double bassoon

Michael Elderkin Antonia Lazenby Finan Jones

Horn

Alex Willett Ryan James Diana Sheach Jack Sewter

Trumpet

Kaitlin Wild Oliver Haines Tom Kearsey

Trombone

Ian Sankey Peter Thornton

Bass trombone Stephen Williams

Tuba George Lee

Timpani Chris Pott

Percussion

Lewis Blee Peter Rayner Vittorio Angelone

Harp

Oliver Wass Helena Ricci

Keyboards

Chavdar Mazgalov Mairi Grewar Jingle Lau

Orchestra Manager Jim Dean

Orchestral Librarian Kate Price

Orchestra Stage Manager William Bannerman

The Jury



Alice Coote

Renowned on the recital, concert and opera stages of the world, Alice Coote is regarded as one of the great artists of today. The recital platform is central to her musical life and she performs throughout the UK, Europe and the USA including at the BBC Proms, Wigmore Hall (where she has been a resident artist), Vienna Konzerthaus, Het Concertgebouw Amsterdam, St Petersburg 'White Nights' festival and Carnegie Hall.

In demand in opera houses of the world for interpreting female and male travesty roles such as Dejanira Hercules, Leonore La Favorite, Carmen, Charlotte Werther, Dorabella Così fan tutte, Lucretia The Rape of Lucretia, Marguerite Damnation de Faust, Penelope Ulysses, Octavian Der Rosenkavalier, Composer Ariadne, Orfeo, Idamante Idomeneo, both Poppea and Nerone L'incoronazione di Poppea, Hänsel Hänsel und Gretel, Sesto La Clemenza di Tito, Sesto Giulio Cesare, Maffio Orsini Lucretia Borgia, Le Prince Charmant Cendrillon, Ruggiero Alcina and the title role in Ariodante. She has performed these roles at English National Opera, Glyndebourne and the Royal Opera House. In Europe she has appeared at opera houses including Opéra de Paris and the Théâtre des Champs-Elysées, in Amsterdam, Geneva, Vienna, Munich, Frankfurt, and Salzburg. USA and Canadian appearances include the Chicago Lyric Opera, Seattle, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Toronto and the Metropolitan Opera New York.

She has made many recordings and DVDs, most recently Schumann's *Dichterliebe* and *Frauenliebe und – leben* on Wigmore Hall Live and Elgar's *Sea Pictures* with the Hallé. Mahler song cycles with the Netherlands Philharmonic will soon be released on the Pentatone label.



Sebastian F. Schwarz

Sebastian F. Schwarz became General Director of Glyndebourne in May 2016. Before this he was Deputy Artistic Director of Theater an der Wien in Vienna, a role he occupied for nine seasons.

Born in 1974 in Germany, Sebastian F. Schwarz studied vocal performance and musicology in Berlin and vocal performance and theatre management in Venice. He has held a variety of positions in opera companies, including a period in company management at Wexford Festival Opera in Ireland and as assistant to the opera director at Staatsoper Hamburg.

In addition to his role at Theater an der Wien, Sebastian is Artistic Director and co-founder of the Pietro Antonio Cesti International Voice Competition for Baroque Opera in Innsbruck, and CEO and Artistic Director of the Vienna Chamber Opera which was incorporated into Theater an der Wien in 2012, and for which he founded an international ensemble of singers who perform for both companies. He is a sought-after voice specialist and a regular jury member for major international voice competitions.

Mr Schwarz has advised various cultural institutions and festivals on programming and casting and is a sought-after voice specialist and a regular member of juries of important international voice competitions. He regularly teaches masterclasses for institutions and academies across Europe and beyond and is also a lecturer at the Vienna University of Performing Arts.

Mr Schwarz is a passionate linguist, speaking eight languages and an active beekeeper in the Eastern Alps, near Vienna.



Jonathan Vaughan (Chair)

After studying double bass and piano at the Royal College of Music, Jonathan worked with most of Britain's major orchestras and opera companies. He was an active chamber musician and worked as a teacher, coach and music educator in a variety of settings.

Jonathan spent ten very happy years as a member of the London Symphony Orchestra and was ultimately privileged to serve as its Chairman.

He was Director of the National Youth Orchestra for five years, before taking up his current post, Director of Music at the Guildhall School, in 2007. He is a Fellow of the Higher Education Academy and was awarded Fellowship of the Guildhall School in 2015.

Jonathan is also a governor of Wells Cathedral School, and lives in Wiltshire with his wife, three children and one sadly neglected double bass.

Forthcoming events

Monday 5, Wednesday 7, Friday 9, Monday 12 June, 7pm Milton Court Theatre

Radamisto

Music by **George Frideric Handel**Libretto by **Nicola Francesco Haym**

Chad Matthias Kelly conductor John Ramster director Louis Carver designer Jake Wiltshire lighting designer

Following a large-scale Russian production in autumn and a new opera in Middle English in spring, Guildhall opera singers continue to showcase their versatility with the lesser-known first version of Handel's masterpiece, performed in the intimate surroundings of the Milton Court Theatre.

Composed predominantly for Handel's favourite female singers (before he revised it to the version more commonly performed today), the piece presents a wonderful vocal and theatrical challenge.

Tickets: £25 (£15 concessions), available from the Barbican Box Office: 020 7638 8891 barbican.org.uk

Monday 12 June, 7.30pm Wigmore Hall

Guildhall Wigmore Recital Prize

Michael Petrov cello Erdem Misirlioğlu piano

Stravinsky Suite italienne
Dutilleux Trois Strophes sur le nom
de Sacher
Debussy Cello Sonata
Carter Figment for solo cello
Poulenc Cello Sonata

The Guildhall Wigmore Recital Prize annually awards an exceptional Guildhall School musician with a Wigmore Hall recital. This year's recipient is cellist Michael Petrov, previous winner of the Gold Medal (2014), described by The Telegraph as playing 'with the bravura and calm assurance of a long-established maestro'. He is accompanied by pianist Erdem Misirlioğlu.

Tickets: £15 (£13 concessions), available from the Wigmore Hall Box Office: 020 7935 2141 wigmore-hall.org.uk

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