# Southend Bach Choir

**Presents** 

# Stage and Screen

# A summer concert of music from opera and film

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 7:30 pm

Trinity Methodist Church Westcliff-on-Sea



**Programme** 



#### The Southend Bach Choir

#### Musical Director - Colin Edwards

The Southend Bach Choir is a very happy and friendly group of people singing a wide range of music. We meet for rehearsal every Tuesday evening in school term time at:

#### Blenheim Primary School, Blenheim Chase, Leigh on Sea

Rehearsals commence at 7.30pm with a break for coffee and conversation and finish at 9.30pm. Each week we receive professional training from our Musical Director, learning new works and preparing for our performances.

#### THE SOUTHEND BACH CHOIR WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Singing in a Choir is a great hobby. It is not only very enjoyable, but you make new friends, and have the opportunity of learning to sing wonderful music not only in rehearsals but at regular Concerts which the public attend.

#### Our Guest Soloist - Sam Jewison (Tenor)

Praised as a 'fully rounded musician' (Next BRIT Thing), Sam Jewison is a vocalist, pianist and conductor, performing multi-genre repertoire internationally. His interpretation of the Great American Songbook has led to sold-out appearances with his eponymous orchestra, including Camden's famous Jazz Café, Blackheath Halls and Westminster Abbey, along with his trio for the Orticola Di Lombardia in Milan and The Arts Club in London. Recently, he performed a 'Gershwin & Friends' programme with soprano Anush Hovhannisyan at the Crazy Coqs, Piccadilly and the Merchants House of Glasgow.

An 'M.D. professional beyond his years' (NODA), operatic conducting credits include Berkeley's A Dinner Engagement (Opera Dinamica), Menotti's The Medium (Clockwork Opera) and Puccini's Suor Angelica (Opera in the Meantime), with orchestral premieres including Vasileios Filippou's Equilibrium (2015) and Harry Palmer's Water Aspects (2017). Sam has also created new operatic roles, including Beauclerc in Louis Mander's The Rue Morgue (OperaUpClose/King's Place) and Apollo in Matthew Hall's Cantata. He was the tenor soloist for the British premiere of Judith Bingham's A Bird is Singing at the 2015 BASCA British Composer Awards (BFI Southbank) and has appeared as both a singer and pianist on BBC Radio 3 and 4.

Sam is an avid chamber musician and regularly collaborates with singers and instrumentalists, including a longstanding partnership with violinist Rosie Judge, most recently performing at the Foreign & Commonwealth Office. In 2017, he sang Liederkreis (Op. 24) and Der Arme Peter (Op. 53, No. 3) for the TL Schumann Series, curated by Eugene Asti, in addition to selected pieces for the subsequent Debussy & Beyond and Brahms Focus series. Sam also holds a jazz residency at the Grand Caffè Concerto, Shepherd's Bush.

Born in Scarborough, North Yorkshire, Sam's musical contributions resulted in him receiving the Borough Thank You Award for Performing, Artistic and Cultural Endeavours. Subsequently, he studied at Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance under Lynton Atkinson and Anna Tilbrook, where he was awarded the TCM Trust Silver Medal for Voice, Friends in New York of TCM London/Edgar TP Comley Certificate of Excellence Prize and the Kathleen Creed Scholarship, in addition to winning the 2019 Elisabeth Schumann Lieder Competition.

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**Accompanist:** Roger Humphrey

Choir

March of the toreadors (from Carmen)

Bizet

Barcarolle (from Tales of Hoffmann) Offenbach

Soloists: Eve Read (soprano), Janet Luxford (contralto)

Villagers' Chorus (from William Tell) Rossini

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'O del mio dolce ardor' from 'Paride ed Elena' (1770) C. W. Gluck

'Come mai creder deggio' (recit) & 'Dalla sua pace' (aria)

from 'Don Giovanni' (1787) W. A. Mozart

Choir

Bridal Chorus (from Lohengrin) Wagner

Chorus of the Hebrew slaves (from Nabucco) Verdi

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'Tombe degl'avi miei' (recit) & 'Fra poco a me ricovero' (aria)

from 'Lucia di Lammermoor' (1835) G. Donizetti

Choir

Waltz Scene (from Eugene Onegin) Tchaikovsky

Soloists: Derek Groom (tenor), Ian Alston (bass), Peter Walker (bass)

Easter Hymn (from Cavalleria Rusticana) Mascagni

Soloists: Ros Hayman (soprano), Janet Luxford (contralto)

#### INTERVAL

Choir

Buffalo Gals arr. Bob Chilcott

Chick, chick, chicken! arr. Peter Gritton

Soloist: Alan Pearson

III Wind Flanders and Swann arr. Peter Gritton

Orpheus in the Underground arr. Cantabile

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'The Way You Look Tonight' from 'Swing Time' (1936) Jerome Kern & Dorothy Fields

'I Used to be Color Blind' from 'Carefree' (1938) Irving Berlin

'Fascinating Rhythm' from 'Lady Be Good' (1924) George & Ira Gershwin

'I Have Dreamed' from 'The King and I' (1951) Richard Rodgers & Oscar Hammerstein II

'I Get a Kick Out of You' from 'Anything Goes' (1934) Cole Porter

Choir

Medley of Disney Classics arr. Alan Billingsley

Please join the choir for light refreshments at the end of the concert.

## **OUR PATRONS**

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# **OUR NEXT CONCERT**

Autumn Concert
Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2019 at 7.30pm
St Augustine's Church, Thorpe Bay

# SAVE THE DATE

# CAROL SERVICE IN AID OF HARP

Southend's Homeless Charity Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> December 2019

For further information please visit our website:

www.southendbachchoir.org.uk



