

## **Carol Concerts November 04 2019**

Dear Friend of WCS

What an amazing evening for the Choir. Loved every moment of **Carl Orff's Carmina Burana** on **Saturday**. It **was** a rollicking performance. A regret? We could not turn to see Greg Tassell but we could hear him, Helena Dix and Andrew Slater – fabulous voices and personalities. Then there were Backbeat Percussion, Farnham Youth Choir with Matthew Rickard, Gavin Roberts... and Michael's great arrangement of **Carnival of the Animals** for 6 hands (well 8 (or was it 7) for part of it!) on one piano. Neil and Jo throwing themselves into getting the best out of their respective choirs.....

Brilliant evening for those of us on stage and, hopefully, equally so for audience. My group of young people thoroughly enjoyed themselves. If you are happy to share comments please forward them, preferably attributed, and they can go on our website?

We have started to rehearse for our ever popular **Carol ConcertS** on December 14. Tickets via Choir members from Monday November 11 or online at [www.wimbledon-choral.org.uk](http://www.wimbledon-choral.org.uk). Reserved seating for Friends is an option (2 per Friend due to popularity and venue size) **IF** you let me know:

- 1) Whether you will attend afternoon (1500) or evening (1800) concert;
- 2) Where you would like to sit (no guarantees but we do our best)
- 3) How many are in your party.

**There are no drinks after the Concert this year. Instead each Friend is entitled to one free ticket.**

The 3rd **Merton Song Festival** is February 29 at St John's Spencer Hill - a free, fun chance to support local singers. March 21 2020 we offer selections from **Rachmaninov's All Night Vigil** & **Britten's Cello Suites** at Southwark. Our season ends, June 6, at the Fairfield Halls, with **Mozart's Mass in C minor** & **Panufnik's Song of Names**.

Lastly, we are still working on financing a professional recording of the **da Vinci Requiem** and welcome fund-raising suggestions.

See you in December. Kind Regards

*Colleen* Friends of WCS

