

May (almost)

April 30 2019

Dear Friend of WCS

I hope that you enjoyed Easter - particularly the glorious weather we had over the entire period.

*This is a reminder that, **one week today**, we will be performing the world premiere of the **da Vinci Requiem**.*

*The date is **Tuesday, May 7 2019, 19:30 at the Royal Festival Hall, Southbank Centre, London SE1 8XX.***

*Tickets are from the RFH Box Office only: **020 3879 9555 or www.southbankcentre.co.uk; they range in price from £10 - £40.***

*So far **1493** tickets have been sold and we would LOVE to reach the 2000 mark so might I implore you to encourage everyone you know to come and listen – family, friends, people you meet on the bus – or at Waterloo Station!*

If you would like a foretaste of what to expect then, if nothing supervenes, and you listen in to the Today Programme on Radio 4 tomorrow between 0730 and 0840 – sorry not to have a precise time – you should hear some musical excerpts with a comment or two from Neil. We were recorded last night which was exciting.

*I should mention, of course, that, in addition to the Requiem by Cecilia McDowall the Choir will perform the **Five Mystical Songs** of Ralph Vaughn Williams. We will be conducted by Neil, accompanied by the Philharmonia Orchestra and, at the piano, will be Martin James Bartlett (BBC Young Musician of the Year 2014) who will play Ravel's **Piano Concerto in G**.*

It should be a splendid and truly memorable evening – hope to see you there.

Best wishes



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