

October 10 2022

Dear Friend of WCS

Our next Concert, "Reflections on Gratitude and Remembrance" is at the Cadogan Hall, Sloane Terrace, London SW1X 9DQ. on November 5 2022 starting at 1930 and lasting for approximately two hours.

In case you wonder about the date – our Committee members, who work so hard to keep all aspects of the Choir going, are offered available venue dates. These are not always those one would choose if more options were open.

We hope that, even though it IS Bonfire Night, you will come to hear us as we share this new music. Look forward to seeing you there and, afterwards, hearing how you enjoyed it.

Don't forget: Tracy, WCS Secretary, reserved 40 Friends' seats (stalls rows D-K). Current Friends may book these by ringing the Box Office (020 7730 4500) and requesting seats in this block. Please let me know if you use the system and how it works? Other seats are available at <http://wimbledon-choral.org.uk/> click "book here" In "Forthcoming Events" for the Cadogan Hall site.

Before the Concert Neil will conduct a short and informal conversation with Alison Willis and Howard Goodall to give you the audience, and us the Choir, some insight into the ideas and inspiration behind the works we will be performing.

The Concert's first half comprises "Salve Deus Rex Judaeorum – Forgotten Voices" by Alison Willis interspersed with Passion Hymns by Bob Chilcott. The way the pieces are interwoven has been decided in conjunction with the composer.

After the Interval Howard Goodall will conduct us in his work "Unconditional Love". Lyrics by: the composer, Maya Stein ("Ninja poet"), Ella Wheeler Wilcox, (poet), Michael Rosen (author, Children's Laureate, poet), Katherine Garrison Chapin (poet, playwright).

If you've renewed your Friend's subscription, thank you (please let me know)? If not, might I gently remind you? Cheques (payable to Wimbledon Choral Society) to me (address above) or bank transfer/standing order renewals to Santander A/c 27249400, Sort Code: 09-01-51). Many thanks.

Kindest regards.

 *Friends' Secretary*

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