

Concerts *IN THE* West

Devon, Dorset and Somerset

Bridport, Exeter, Hatherleigh, Ilminster, Lyme Regis, Shute

21 February to 1 November 2014

Promoting the best young musicians working in the UK today.



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9th Season



21/ 22 February

Hanna Hipp *mezzo-soprano*
Emma Abbate *piano*

Poulenc Eight Polish songs
Britten A Charm of Lullabies Op 41
Berio Four popular songs
Karłowicz Nine songs
Debussy La soirée dans Grenade
from *Estampes*
de Falla Seven Spanish folk songs

Bridport: a selection of the above

Polish mezzo-soprano, Hanna Hipp, 'lights up the stage'. A graduate of the prestigious Royal Opera House Jette Parker programme Hanna is joined by Emma Abbate 'an amazingly talented pianist', who works with many of the finest singers and instrumentalists of her generation.

http://imgartists.com/artist/hanna_hipp
www.emmaabbate.com

30 April, 2/ 3 May

AOYAMA DUO
Katherine Bicknell *flute*
Keziah Thomas *harp*

Handel Harp Concerto in Bb
Alwyn Naiades Fantasy-Sonata
Scott Sonata for Flute and Harp
Debussy Syrinx - Clair de lune
Bartók Suite Paysanne Hongroise
Maxwell Davies Music from Scotland
Piazzolla Bordell 1900; Café 1930
Night Club 1960

Bridport: a selection of the above

The flute and the harp are a sublime combination. Katherine Bicknell and Keziah Thomas were both section principals from the Royal College of Music. They have been playing together since 1998 as the *Aoyama Duo*.

Katherine Bicknell @flutechika
<http://www.keziah.co.uk>

15/ 16/ 17 May

THE ARTISANS

Emily Askew *vielle, bagpipes, recorders, shawm*
Hazel Askew *voice, medieval harp*
Victoria Couper *voice*
Sarah Stuart *percussion, vielle*

A MEDIEVAL EXPERIENCE

'The Artisans dust off medieval music, bringing it to vibrant life and connecting directly with audiences through their sheer inventiveness and infectious enjoyment of the music.'
Clare Norburn, Co-Artistic Director, Brighton Early Music Festival

Music from four countries and three centuries. 'With exotic dance tunes to rousing chorus songs, their playing enchants all those who hear them.' *Radio 3, BBC*

<http://the-artisans.co.uk>



Ilminster Rotary



To benefit
Polio Plus



5/ 6/ 7 June



Alasdair Beatson *piano*

Bartók Three Rondos on Folk Tunes
Janáček In the Mists
Beethoven Sonata in A Op 101
Schumann Carnival Op 9

Bridport: Janáček, Beethoven, Schumann

Alasdair Beatson returns to the West Country following his travels to festivals around the world.

...[Beatson] certainly adds lustre to his growing reputation with this splendidly enjoyable Mendelssohn recital... a beautiful disc that has seldom been off my CD player in the last few days. *Calum MacDonald, International Record Review, May 2011*

'Artistry incarnate - that was Beatson'
The Sunday Times

<http://alasdairbeatson.com>



<http://tamsinwaleycohen.com/newsite>
<http://www.stephenupshaw.com>
<http://www.johnreidpiano.com>

3/ 4/ 5 July

THE BUSCH ENSEMBLE
 Mathieu van Bellen *violin*
 Jonathan Bloxham *cello*
 Omri Epstein *piano*

Marine Theatre

Beethoven Variations in E flat Op 44
Mendelssohn Piano Trio No 2 in C minor Op 66
Dvořák Piano Trio in F minor Op 65
Ilminster Arts Centre
Haydn Trio in E flat XV:29
Mendelssohn Piano Trio No 2 in C minor Op 66
Schubert Piano Trio No 2 in E flat D 929

Lower Pulworthy

Beethoven Variations in E flat Op 44
Mendelssohn Piano Trio No 2 in C minor Op 66
Schubert Piano Trio No 2 in E flat
 Bridport: Haydn and Dvorak

Winners of the 2012 Royal Overseas League Competition they are one of the leading piano trios of their generation.

<http://www.thebuschensemble.com>

18/ 19 July

Tamsin Waley-Cohen *violin*
 Stephen Upshaw *viola*
 John Reid *piano*

Beethoven Sonata for violin and piano in F Op 24 (Spring)
Britten Elegy for viola
Rebecca Clarke Sonata
Mozart Trio in E flat K498
 Bridport: Beethoven, Britten, Mozart

John Reid returns with Stephen Upshaw and Tamsin Waley-Cohen. 'Tamsin Waley-Cohen held us rapt with daring and undaunted performances'
Hilary Finch, The Times





4/ 5/ 6 September

Jane Gordon *violin*
Julian Perkins *harpsichord*

Handel Sonata in D HWV371
J-M Leclair Sonata (Premier livre)
Corelli Sonata No 12 in D minor
 Op 5 *La Follia*
Biber Sonata No 5 in D minor (1681)
Biber Passacaglia for solo violin
D Scarlatti Keyboard sonatas
 K8, K9 and K430
JS Bach Sonata in E minor BWV1023
Bridport: a selection of the above

Julian Perkins, established conductor and soloist, returns with Jane Gordon, a highly versatile violinist working as a soloist, chamber musician and concertmaster with the major Baroque orchestras in the UK and Europe.

<http://rautopianotrio.co.uk/players>
<http://www.julianperkins.com>

30/ 31 October & 1 November

Elaine Ruby *clarinet*
Daniel King Smith *piano*

Brahms Sonata in E flat Op 120
Benjamin Tombeau de Ravel (1949)
Rachmaninov Vocalise No 14 Op 34
Berg Four pieces for clarinet
 and piano Op 5
Lovreglio Fantasia on themes from Verdi's
 La Traviata, arr. rev Giampieri
Bridport: Brahms, Rachmaninov and Benjamin

A graduate of the Royal Academy of Music and currently studying at the Royal College of Music, Elaine is a passionate chamber musician and orchestral player. She is performing with Daniel King Smith, who has given concerts all over the world as both soloist and accompanist.

<https://www.facebook.com/helene.c.ruby>
<https://www.facebook.com/daniel.kingsmith>

The **CONCERTS IN THE WEST** series started in 2006 offering a broad spectrum of Classical and Baroque music. This gives the young professional performers a platform to explore repertoire, and their listeners an opportunity to hear works they might not be aware of.

Our musicians have studied to post-graduate level or higher at music colleges in the UK and abroad and are destined to be heard all over the world. So there is no need to go to the London venues to hear them - they are coming to you.

This season we have two venues in Devon, the beautifully restored St Stephen's, Exeter and Lower Pulworthy. We return to the Bridport Arts Centre, the Ilminster Arts Centre, the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis and St Michael, Shute. We hope that this

will give more people the opportunity to hear such fine musicians.

We are collaborating again with *Ilminster Rotary* to raise money for *Polio Plus* on 16 May.

In order to cover our costs we do ask for your help. We have the **Concerts in the West Supporters** scheme and we hope that you will join it. For information about all the concerts and membership please see our website, telephone or email us.

Ticket prices for young people

We hope to encourage more children and students to the concerts this coming year: Students of 12 and over - half price
Children of 11 and under - free entry with a family member. School groups and more than two children with adults will be negotiated separately.

MARINE THEATRE

Church Street, Lyme Regis
Dorset, DT7 3QA

Box Office: 01297 442138

Tickets: £14

Theatre concessions available
Marine Bar & Café - town parking & car parks
Disabled access

Wednesday 30 April 7.30pm (please note)

Katherine Bicknell *flute*
Keziah Thomas *harp*

Thursday 5 June 7.30pm

Alasdair Beatson *piano*

Thursday 3 July 7.30pm

The Busch Ensemble

Thursday 4 September 7.30pm

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Julian Perkins *harpsichord*

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Daniel King Smith *piano*

BRIDPORT ARTS CENTRE

South Street Bridport
Dorset, DT6 3NR

Box Office: 01308 424204

Tickets: £10/£8 member

£7 concessions - Coffee included.
Town parking & car parks - BAC Café
Disabled access

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ST MICHAEL, SHUTE

Nr Axminster, Devon, EX13 7QR

Parking - Interval drinks - Disabled access

Box Office: Hurfords Stores, Kilmington

01297 33203 - EX13 7RG

The Archway Bookshop, Axminster

01297 33744 - EX13 5AQ

Tickets: £14

Thursday 15 May 7.30pm

The Artisans

PATRONS

Laurence Cummings
Dame Emma Kirkby
Sir Neville Marriner

TRUSTEES

Catherine Hodgson *director*
Anthony Pither *music adviser*
John Bartholomew
Peter Lansdown
Christine van Heeckeren

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Horton House - 8 Ditton Street
Ilminster - Somerset- TA19 0BQ
01460 53500

ILMINSTER ARTS CENTRE

East Street
Somerset, TA19 0AN

Box Office: 01460 54973

Tickets: £14

Subscription discount: buy the season

Pre-concert suppers at 7pm - **£11**

Advance booking for suppers required.

Bar & Café - IAC & town parking & car parks

Disabled access to the concert

16 May - £16 to include a free glass of wine

Ilminster Rotary to benefit **Polio Plus**

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LOWER PULWORTHY

Highampton, Hatherleigh

Devon, EX21 5LQ

Box Office: 01837 810940

Salar Gallery, 18/20 Bridge Street

Hatherleigh, EX20 3HY

Tickets: £14

Interval drinks - parking available

Disabled access - Advanced booking advisable

Saturday 22 February 7.30pm

Hanna Hipp *mezzo-soprano*

Emma Abbate *piano*

Saturday 7 June 7.30pm

Alasdair Beatson *piano*

Saturday 5 July 7.30pm

The Busch Ensemble

Saturday 19 July 7.30pm

Tamsin Waley-Cohen *violin*

Stephen Upshaw *viola*

John Reid *piano*

Saturday 1 November 7.30pm

Elaine Ruby *clarinet*

Daniel King Smith *piano*

New Venue

ST STEPHEN'S, EXETER

High Street, Exeter, Devon

Box Office: 01392 667080

Exeter Phoenix, Gandy St, Exeter

Devon EX4 3LS

Tickets: £14

Town parking - Interval drinks

Disabled access

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