

# 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.



[www.concertsinthewest.org](http://www.concertsinthewest.org)

9<sup>th</sup> Season

2014



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](http://imgartists.com/artist/hanna_hipp)  
[www.emmaabbate.com](http://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**

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5/ 6/ 7 June



**Alasdair Beatson** *piano*

**Bartók** Three Rondos on Folk Tunes  
**Janáček** In the Mists  
**Beethoven** Sonata in A Op 101  
**Schumann** Carnaval 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>

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*



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

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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://rautiopianotrio.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**  
Jane Gordon *violin*  
Julian Perkins *harpsichord*

**Thursday 30 October 7.30pm**  
Elaine Ruby *clarinet*  
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

**Friday 21 February 11am-12pm**  
Hanna Hipp *mezzo-soprano*  
Emma Abbate *piano*

**Friday 2 May 11am-12pm**  
Katherine Bicknell *flute*  
Keziah Thomas *harp*

**Friday 16 May 11am-12pm**  
The Artisans

**Friday 6 June 11am-12pm**  
Alasdair Beatson *piano*

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The Busch Ensemble

**Friday 18 July 11am-12pm**  
Tamsin Waley-Cohen *violin*  
Stephen Upshaw *viola*  
John Reid *piano*

**Friday 15 September 11am-12pm**  
Jane Gordon *violin*  
Julian Perkins *harpsichord*

**Friday 31 October 11am-12pm**  
Elaine Ruby *clarinet*  
Daniel King Smith *piano*

**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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### 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**

**Friday 21 February** 8pm  
Hanna Hipp *mezzo-soprano*  
Emma Abbate *piano*

**Friday 2 May** 8pm  
Katherine Bicknell *flute*  
Keziah Thomas *harp*

**Friday 16 May** 8pm  
The Artisans

**Friday 6 June** 8pm  
Alasdair Beatson *piano*

**Friday 4 July** 8pm  
The Busch Ensemble

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

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Julian Perkins *harpsichord*

**Friday 31 October** 8pm  
Elaine Ruby *clarinet*  
Daniel King Smith *piano*

### 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

**Saturday 3 May** 7.30pm  
Katherine Bicknell *flute*  
Keziah Thomas *harp*

**Saturday 17 May** 7.30pm  
The Artisans

**Saturday 6 September** 7.30pm  
Jane Gordon *violin*  
Julian Perkins *harpsichord*

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