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Brian Wright conductor



Saturday 9 October 2021 Mayumi Kanagawa violin

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Saturday 27 November 2021 Olivier Stankiewicz oboe



Rossini - Overture, The Italian Girl in Algiers Mozart - Oboe Concerto, K.314 Brahms - Serenade No.1

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Mote Hall, Maidstone Leisure Centre Maidstone ME15 7RN at 7.30pm



Saturday 5 February 2022 Benjamin Baker violin

Mozart - Overture, The Magic Flute Beethoven - Violin Concerto Vaughan Williams - Symphony No.5



Saturday 26 March 2022 Maxim Calver cello

Balakirev - Overture on Russian Themes Dvořák - Cello Concerto Franck - Symphony in D Minor



Saturday 21 May 2022 Daniel Lebhardt piano

Arnold - Overture, Tam O'Shanter Rachmaninov - Piano Concerto No.2 Sibelius - Symphony No.2



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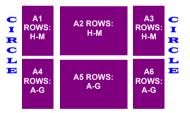
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Music Director Brian Wright introduces the season:



"MSO's back" with an exciting series of concerts in prospect. Our international solo line-up includes three favourite young artists, the brilliant French oboist Olivier Stankiewicz, British cellist Maxim Calver and New Zealand-born violinist Benjamin Baker, who's returning to MSO for a fourth time. There's also another superb violinist, the Japanese-American Mayumi Kanagawa, and a "rising star" Hungarian pianist, Daniel Lebhardt. Their repertoire spans over 150 years, with popular concertos by Mozart, Beethoven, Dvořák, Bruch and Rachmaninov.

MSO will be busy, playing wonderfully diverse musical styles from Sir Malcolm Arnold and Vaughan Williams, back through Sibelius, César Franck and Brahms, to Balakirev, Mendelssohn, Rossini and Mozart.

Truly I think there's "something for everyone" this season. We're all greatly looking forward to making music together again, and rest assured, if there are ongoing Covid cancellations you'll be entitled to a refund. So, please buy your season tickets with confidence - still excellent value and help us by spreading the word of our concerts far and wide.

For further information about Brian Wright visit brianwright.co.uk

Saturday 9 October 2021

Mayumi Kanagawa violin



Beethoven - Overture, Coriolan Bruch - Violin Concerto No.1 Mendelssohn - Symphony No.3 "Scottish"

A prizewinner at the prestigious Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow in 2019, the brilliant Japanese-American violinist Mayumi Kanagawa joins us for Bruch's everpopular Violin Concerto. Beethoven's powerful Coriolan Overture sets the scene, while Mendelssohn's "Scottish" Symphony completes a delightful programme. The opening theme came to Mendelssohn when he visited the ruined Holyrood Palace in Edinburgh, while others were influenced by the tangy rhythms of Scottish folk music.

Saturday 27 November 2021

Olivier Stankiewicz



Saturday 5 February 2022

Benjamin Baker



Rossini - Overture, The Italian Girl in Algiers Mozart - Oboe Concerto, K.314 Brahms - Serenade No.1

Another delightful concert! The panache of Rossini's *Italian Girl in Algiers Overture* heralds sheer elegance in Mozart's *Oboe Concerto*. Our soloist is the outstanding French oboist, Olivier Stankiewicz, co-principal of the London Symphony Orchestra, who last played with us in 2017. Brahms first thought of calling his *1st Serenade* a Symphony, but eventually decided his ideas were rather too lightweight for that title. In truth, its six charming movements combine elements of both Suite and Symphony, along with a lovely sense of chamber music.

Mozart - Overture, The Magic Flute Beethoven - Violin Concerto Vaughan Williams - Symphony No.5

A warm welcome back to the fine violinist Benjamin Baker for his fourth visit to MSO. He's playing one of the pinnacles of the repertoire, Beethoven's magnificent *Violin Concerto*. There are strong contrasts either side with the classical energy of Mozart's *Magic Flute Overture* and the lateromantic poetry of Vaughan Williams' *Fifth Symphony*. Written in the midst of World War 2, it struck an immediate chord with the audience. Sir Adrian Boult wrote: "Its serene loveliness is completely satisfying and shows, as only music can, what we must work for when this madness is over." Saturday 26 March 2022

Maxim Calver cello



Saturday 21 May 2022

Daniel Lebhardt



Balakirev - Overture on Russian Themes Dvořák - Cello Concerto Franck - Symphony in D Minor

Maxim Calver is one of our most outstanding young cellists. He was a finalist in *BBC Young Musician* in 2018 and first played with MSO in 2019. For his return he plays Dvořák's great *Cello Concerto*. Elsewhere we've a rare outing for Balakirev's splendid *Overture on Russian Themes*. Two of them will be very familiar to those of you who know your Tchaikovsky and Stravinsky. César Franck's well-loved *Symphony* completes the bill with abundant energy and suave tunes in equal measure.

Arnold - Overture, Tam O'Shanter Rachmaninov - Piano Concerto No.2 Sibelius - Symphony No.2

The "rising star" Hungarian pianist, Daniel Lebhardt, plays Rachmaninov's famous 2nd Piano Concerto. Daniel has recently recorded acclaimed CDs of Schubert for Naxos and Bartok for Decca. We open with Sir Malcolm Arnold's ebullient Tam O'Shanter Overture - after the poem by Robert Burns - telling the drunken adventures of a Scottish farmer. Sibelius' dramatic 2nd Symphony is justifiably popular. Heroic and tender by turns, it epitomises Finland's long struggle for independence.

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Under the direction of its acclaimed and popular conductor, Brian Wright, Maidstone Symphony Orchestra is regarded as one of the UK's finest "community" orchestras. It was formed in 1910 as Maidstone Orchestral Society, still the title of the concert promoting organisation. Today MSO is a superbly well-balanced mix of local professionals and ex-professionals, music teachers and excellent amateur players who come together regularly on a voluntary basis to perform concerts of a professional standard. This entails great commitment by the players, many of whom travel from all over Kent, and beyond, to attend MSO's weekly Thursday evening rehearsals.



Sheku Kanneh-Mason playing his first ever performance of Elgar's Cello Concerto with MSO in 2018

The Audience:

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