

Newsletter - Summer 2013

It might not quite feel like it, but Summer is here and it's time for another issue of the Mornington newsletter!

As ever, we'd like to begin by thanking all our friends for turning out to support us at our last concert, "Dreams of Springtime", in March in the beautiful surrounds of City Hall, Dublin.

Since then, quite a lot has happened. First up, we were very privileged to welcome the amazing Dr. Róisín Blunnie as our guest conductor for this term, while our musical director Dr. Orla Flangan takes maternity leave. Having recently completed her PhD, Róisín brings to the choir her own wealth of experience and sense of musical style. Then came the wonderful news of the birth of Hugh Michael on the 20th of April! We are so happy for Orla and Arthur and wish them all the very best.

On the 13th of May we travelled to the Navan Choral Festival, where under Róisín's guidance, we achieved first place in both the Sacred Music category and then in the Choir of the Year final!

And now for news of our upcoming concerts in Dublin and Galway.....

Summer Concert: De Profundis

8pm, Saturday 8th June, 2013 at Trinity College Chapel, Dublin (€15/€10)*

8pm Saturday 15th June, 2013 at St. Nicholas' Collegiate Church, Galway (€12/€8)

For our next concert, the Mornington Singers and conductor Róisín Blunnie present **De Profundis**, a programme of dramatic sacred music by composers from the 16th to the 21st century. As the concert title suggests, the tone is dark; themes of grief, fear, pain, anger, betrayal and reproach dominate, though occasional moments of tranquillity and tenderness provide some relief.

PROGRAMME

Timor et tremor (1564) Orlande de Lassus (1532–1594)

Vide Homo (1594) Orlande de Lassus (1532-1594)

O vos omnes (1603) Carlo Gesualdo (1566–1613)

De profundis clamavi (1964) Vic Nees (1936–2013)

Taaveti Laulud (1923; exc.) Cyrillus Kreek (1889–1962)

Popule meus (1934) Lajos Bardos (1899–1986)

Timor et tremor (2002) Gyorgy Orban (1947-)

When David Heard (1999) Eric Whitacre (1970-)

Abendlied (1855) Josef Rheinberger (1839–1901)

The Conversion of Saul (2002)

Z. Randall Stroope (1953-)

Jezus es a Kufarok (1934) Zoltan Kodaly (1882-1967)

Tickets may be purchased on our website: http://morningtonsingers.eventbrite.ie or at the door.

Online ticketing competition

Following on from some successful competitions we ran towards the end of 2012, we are pleased to announce two new ways to grab yourself a delicious Dinner for Two.

For our upcoming concerts above, all tickets that are purchased online via http://morningtonsingers.eventbrite.ie will go into a draw for a Dinner for 2 at Milano's, Clarion Quay (for tickets bought for the Dublin concert), or a Sunday Lunch at the Harbour Hotel, Galway (for tickets bought for the Galway concert). Every ticket purchased will represent one chance in the draw.

Good luck!

^{*} Early Bird rates of €13/€8 apply until the 2nd of June.

Social Networking

Do you Tweet?

Do you love keeping in touch with the world within Twitter's 140 character limits? Have you your favourite stars you like to keep in touch with like Graham Norton (@grahnort), God (@TheTweetOfGod) or Ailie Blunnie (@AilieBlunnie)?

If so, why not follow us! (@mornington_sing).

Twitter is everywhere right now and continues to gain momentum, and we are making sure to be a part of it by connecting with many other like-minded musical communities and individuals. Do join us!

Facebook

If you're a Facebook fan and are not already Liking our page, please do! It's a great way to keep up with all our news and gossip, and our Event invitations will make sure you never miss out on a concert.

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On behalf of the choir, I would like to thank you all for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming events.

Have a great summer!

Chairman,

Mornington Singers.

Paul Mathison

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