

*Entry Form (continued)*

Name of supporting adult:.....

Position:.....

Telephone:.....

*I confirm that the above named person singing on the enclosed tape is a member of a school/church choir or like group, is in year ..... and I support his/her entry*

Signed.....

*When complete please return entry form and cassette to:-*

*Guildford Philharmonic Choir  
c/o 2 Priory Close Woodham  
Woking Surrey GU21 5TN*

*Enclose a SAE if you require acknowledgement of receipt*

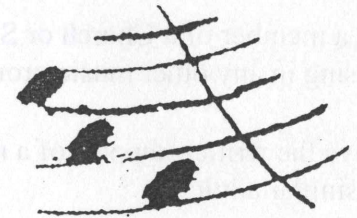
*Closing date for entries is 26 September 1997*

*Good Luck!*

*Rules*

1. Entrants should be in school years 4 - 10.
2. Entrants must have their cassette recording authenticated by a school music teacher, church organist or similar adult. Please write details clearly on the cassette tape itself.
3. Entrants should be a member of a church/cathedral choir or school choir or a similar singing group.
4. Entrants should submit a cassette recording of their performances which should show their range, tone quality, diction, tuning and ability to communicate.
5. Repertoire is entirely at the entrant's choice. Each tape should last approximately 5 minutes.
6. Tapes will be returned at the concert on Saturday 8 November.
7. The Judges' decision will be made purely on the performances contained on the tapes and not on the recording quality.
8. The decision of the Judges is final and without appeal.  
Correspondence will not be entered into.
9. Entry for the competition implies acceptance of the present rules without possibility of the right of recourse.
10. In the event of any dispute on any other matter the decision of the organising committee shall be final and binding.
11. Only one entry per contestant.
12. Please note the closing date for receipt of entries is 26 September 1997

*Guildford Philharmonic Choir  
Young Singer of the Year 1997*



Guildford Philharmonic Choir are looking for the Choir Boy and Choir Girl of the Year

The two winners will sing with the Guildford Philharmonic Choir and Orchestra at a concert

The winners will each receive £100, runners-up £50 and cash prizes for other finalists

The competition is supported by BBC Southern Counties Radio who will provide coverage of all the competition right up to the Final

The competition is open to both boys and girls in school years 4-10 inclusive but boys must be trebles

*What do you have to do?*

- Be a member of a Church or School Choir, or sing in any other music group
- Have the written support of a music teacher or similar adult
- Make a tape approximately 5 minutes long of you singing any songs (sacred or secular) which best demonstrate your voice range, tone, diction, tuning and ability to communicate
- Complete the entry form and send it with your tape to the Guildford Philharmonic Choir
- If you are chosen for the final, you must learn certain extracts from Britten's St Nicholas and attend the final rehearsal and concert on 8 November 1997

*What Happens Now?*

- Entry forms and tapes must be submitted to the Guildford Philharmonic Choir by 26 September 1997. Finalists will be chosen by a panel of judges by 3 October 1997.
- The final will take place in the Civic Hall Guildford on the morning of Saturday 8 November
- Winners will be announced at a presentation at the beginning of the evening concert
- Winners and runners-up get to take part in that evening's performance of Britten's St Nicholas with the Guildford Philharmonic Choir and Guildford Philharmonic Orchestra



*We acknowledge the support of BBC Southern Counties Radio*

*Entry form*

(Photocopies of this entry form are acceptable)

Name:.....

Address:.....

Postcode:.....

Date of Birth:.....

Age (on 8 November):.....

Titles of songs:.....

How did you hear about this competition?.....

*Please turn over and complete other side*

*Choir Girl and Choir Boy of the Year 1997  
Guildford Philharmonic Choir*

Dear

Congratulations! You have been selected to take part in the final of Guildford Philharmonic Choir's *Young Singer of the Year 1997*, which will be held at the Civic Hall, Guildford, on Saturday 8 November 1997. The music you will have to learn is attached to this letter.

Please arrive at the Civic Hall by 9.30am, where you will be met by a choir member. You will then meet Jeremy Backhouse, the Chorus Director of Guildford Philharmonic Choir, and the other two judges, one of whom will be accompanying you on the piano. The girl finalists will be heard first, starting at 10.15. Cold drinks and biscuits will be provided at 11.00 before the boy finalists perform. The results of the competition will be announced at the end of the morning session, at about 12.30.

The winners and runners-up will be required for the afternoon rehearsal between 3.00-4.00pm, and should be at the Civic Hall for the performance by 7pm, ready for the performance which starts at 7.30. Dress requirements for the concert are smart dresses for the girls and trousers, shirt and tie for the boys.

The timetable for the day is as follows:

- 9.30 Arrive at Civic Hall, Guildford
- 9.45 Finalists meet Jeremy Backhouse, the Chorus Director of Guildford Philharmonic Choir, and the other two judges.
- 10.15 The girl finalists perform for the judges.
- 11.00 Refreshments. Cold drinks and biscuits provided for the finalists and those accompanying them.
- 11.30 The boy finalists perform for the judges
- 12.30 The results of the competition will be announced.
  
- 3.00-4.00 The winners and runners-up to join the Guildford Philharmonic Choir in their final rehearsal for the evening concert.
  
- 7.00 The winners and runners-up arrive at the Civic Hall for the evening performance of *St Nicolas*.

The winners and runners-up of the competition will be presented with their prizes at the beginning of the evening concert. We look forward to seeing you on the morning of 8 November when you will be given 3 complimentary tickets for the performance of *St. Nicolas*, for your family and friends.

If you require any further information please contact Jackie Alderton on 01932 343625, or Mary Clayton on 01483 811267.

SB

James Jackson GAC in fall.

Keith W.

Head - Surrey Youth Music and  
Performing Arts.

Hilsell. Accompanist. GAC - (full).

# GUILDFORD PHILHARMONIC CHOIR

(President: Sir David Willcocks)

presents

## CHOIR BOY & CHOIR GIRL OF THE YEAR

# COMPETITION



Welcome to the Choirboy & Choirlrl of the Year competition organised and sponsored by the Guildford Philharmonic Choir and supported by BBC Southern Counties Radio.

Prizes:

£100 each to the winning boy and winning girl.

£50 each to the runners up.

In addition the two winners will each perform a piece with the Guildford Philharmonic Choir and Orchestra in the first half of this evening's concert and also take prominent roles in the performance of Britten's St Nicolas in the second.

All other finalists will also be taking part in the concert.

Judges:

Jeremy Backhouse. Chorus Director Guildford Philharmonic Choir.

Keith Willis. Head. Surrey Youth Music and Performing Arts.

Jeremy Filsell. Accompanist Guildford Philharmonic Choir.

Music kindly supplied by Britten's Music Ltd of West Byfleet.

## TIMETABLE OF EVENTS

- 9.45 Finalists meet Jeremy Backhouse and other judges.
- 10.00 Welcome and introduction by Peter Gautrey,  
committee member Guildford Philharmonic Society.  
  
Introduction of judges and accompanist.
- 10.15 The girl finalists perform for the judges.
- 11.00 Refreshments for finalists and supporters.
- 11.15 The boy finalists perform for the judges.
- 12.30 The results will be announced.

The winners and runners up will be presented with their prizes at the beginning of the evening concert 7.30 in the Civic Hall. We look forward to seeing you there.



# GUILDFORD PHILHARMONIC

CIVIC HALL, GUILDFORD  
Saturday 8 November 7.30 pm

## BRITTEN: St Nicolas

Choir of Ash Manor School  
Choir of Howard of Effingham School  
Guildford Philharmonic Choir

James Oxley Tenor  
Jeremy Backhouse Conductor



Box Office: (01483) 444555



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**ELGAR**

**The Dream of  
Gerontius**

*Jeanette Ager*

*Richard Braebrook Jeffrey Carl*

*Guildford Philharmusica  
conducted by Jeremy Backhouse*

**Saturday, March 7th 1998  
at 7.30 pm Civic Hall, Guildford**

Tickets £7 - £12 from Civic Hall  
Box Office 01483 - 444555