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season 1998-1999

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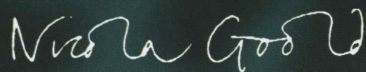
## Welcome

Welcome to the 1998/99 Season of the Guildford Philharmonic. We hope that you will enjoy the wide variety of exciting events on offer and take advantage of the excellent discount packages available. If you have children, what better way to introduce them to live music than at one of our special concerts? And with all children's tickets priced at only £3, the whole season represents exceptional value for money.

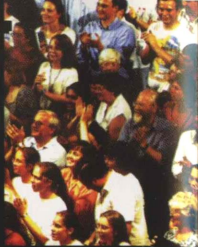
Following last season's successful innovations, we are again promoting Candlelight Concerts in Holy Trinity, some rather different entertainment at the Electric Theatre, as well as large-scale orchestral and choral music with the Guildford Philharmonic in the Guildford Civic and some of the great classics of the sacred repertoire in Guildford Cathedral. And alongside the orchestral concerts there are

some treats from the wider musical reaches, including the Dufay Collective giving the first-ever concert in Wanborough Barn, Ensemble Bash at the Electric Theatre and the return of the Tallis Scholars.

Guildford Borough Council's most enlightened and imaginative support of the Philharmonic enables audiences throughout the region to enjoy a wide range of professional music-making of the highest quality. Several of last season's concerts sold out very quickly, so book early to avoid disappointment. There's something for everybody this season, so do join us!



Nicola Goold  
General Manager



# The Civic Concert



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Saturday 10 October 7.30pm

Guildford  
Civic

**Wagner** Overture *Die Meistersinger*  
**Chopin** Piano Concerto No.1 op.11 in E minor  
**Dvořák** Symphony No.9 in E minor  
(*From the New World*)

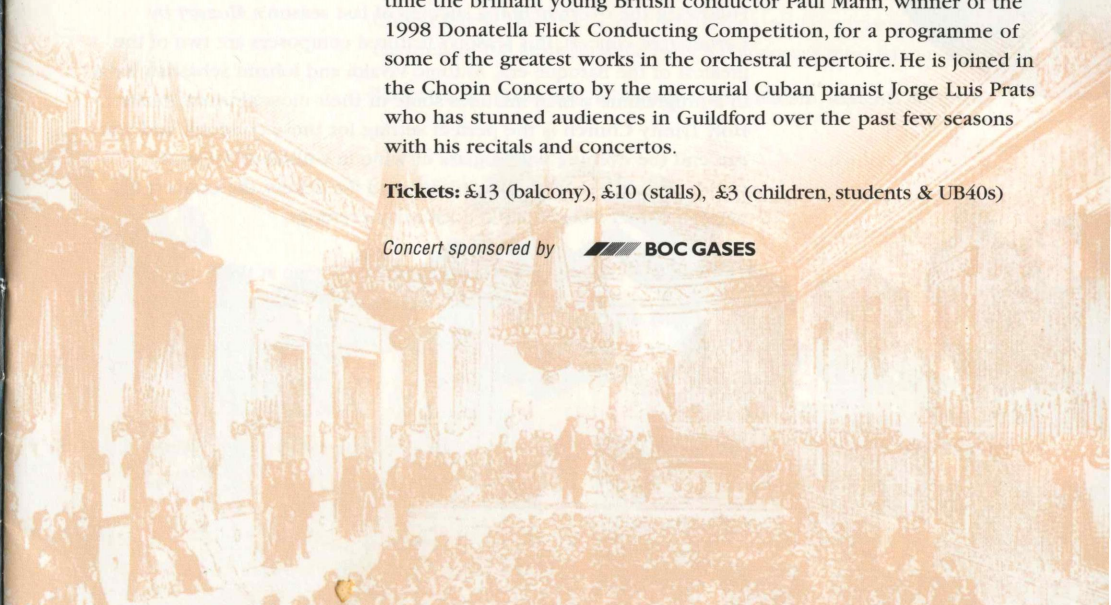
Guildford Philharmonic Orchestra

**Jorge Luis Prats** Piano  
**Paul Mann** Conductor

The opening concert of the season brings to Guildford for the first time the brilliant young British conductor Paul Mann, winner of the 1998 Donatella Flick Conducting Competition, for a programme of some of the greatest works in the orchestral repertoire. He is joined in the Chopin Concerto by the mercurial Cuban pianist Jorge Luis Prats who has stunned audiences in Guildford over the past few seasons with his recitals and concertos.

**Tickets:** £13 (balcony), £10 (stalls), £3 (children, students & UB40s)

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# Bach and Vivaldi by Candlelight



**2** Friday 30 October 7.30pm  
**3** Saturday 31 October 7.30pm

**Holy Trinity Church**  
High Street, Guildford

Programme includes:

**Vivaldi** Autumn & Winter  
(from *The Four Seasons*)  
**Bach** Suite No.3 in D  
**Bach** Brandenburg Concerto No.4 in G

Guildford Philharmonic  
Chamber Orchestra

Directed by **Sophie Langdon**

Following the overwhelming success of last season's *Mozart by Candlelight* concert, this season's featured composers are two of the greatest of the Baroque era, Antonio Vivaldi and Johann Sebastian Bach in a programme which includes some of their most glorious music. Holy Trinity Church is the perfect setting for these concerts, and you can end the evening with a glass of wine in Guildford's historic Guildhall. To meet the expected demand for tickets, the concert is being performed on Friday and Saturday evenings.

**Tickets:** £13 (including post-concert glass of wine at the Guildhall), £10 (concert only), £3 (children, students & UB40s - concert only)

*NB Seating in the church may not be as comfortable as a concert hall, so do bring a cushion!*



Sophie Langdon

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# Carmina Burana



**4** Saturday 21 November 7.30pm

**Guildford Civic**

**Saint-Saëns** Carnival of the Animals  
**Carl Orff** Carmina Burana

Guildford Philharmonic Choir  
Guildford Philharmonic Orchestra

**Jeremy Backhouse** Conductor

This concert continues the initiative of involving more young people in the season's concerts with schoolchildren from Guildford schools providing the "coro di ragazzi" (children's choir). Carl Orff's massive and hugely-popular choral work was chosen by the BBC for this year's Choral Day at the Proms; and Saint-Saëns' witty extravaganza *The Carnival of the Animals* is the French composer's most famous work.

**Tickets:** £13 (balcony), £10 (stalls), £3 (children, students & UB40s)



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# Handel's Messiah

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Saturday 12 December 7.30pm

**Guildford Cathedral**

Guildford Cathedral Choir  
Guildford Camerata  
Guildford Philharmonic Chamber Orchestra

**Andrew Millington** Conductor


These superb forces, conducted by Andrew Millington, the Cathedral's Organist & Master of the Choristers combine again for this seasonal performance of Handel's great oratorio.

**Tickets:** £11, £3 (children, students & UB40s)

*This concert is supported by the Guildford Nuffield Hospital as part of the NHS 50 Celebrations*

**The Guildford Nuffield Hospital - providing private healthcare for the Millennium, in partnership with The Royal Surrey County Hospital**

Nuffield Hospitals, founded in 1957, has grown to be the largest network of charitable, independent hospitals in the UK. The Guildford Nuffield Hospital, situated adjacent to the Royal Surrey County Hospital NHS Trust, will, when it opens in Spring 1999, be a showpiece example of co-operation between the public and private healthcare sectors.

 The Guildford Nuffield Hospital



# A Ceremony of Carols

Saturday 19 December 7.30pm

**Guildford Cathedral**

*Programme includes:* **Britten Ceremony of Carols**  
**Vaughan Williams Fantasia on Christmas Carols**  
**John Tavener The Lamb**

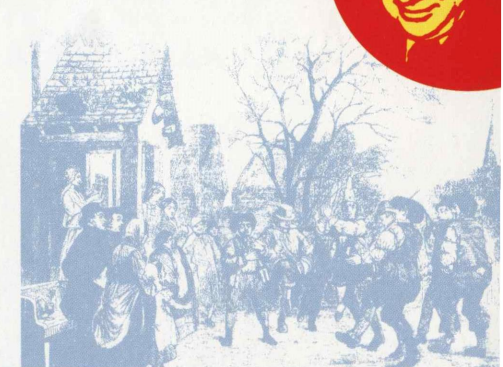
Guildford Cathedral Choir  
Guildford Philharmonic Chamber Orchestra

**Andrew Millington** Conductor

A concert of Christmas music for choir, orchestra and audience, including traditional carols and festive music for voices and instruments.

Tickets: £9 (concessions available)

*NB This concert is not part of the Guildford Philharmonic's subscription season, and tickets are available from Guildford Cathedral only, tel: 01483 565287*



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# The Magic of Vienna

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Friday 29 January 7.30pm

**Guildford Civic**

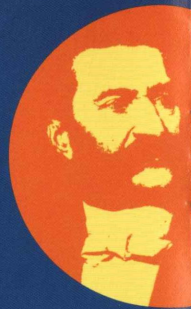
Guildford Philharmonic Orchestra

**John Bradbury** Conductor & Soloist

Last season the Guildford Civic was transformed for a magical evening of music from 18th and 19th century Vienna, the concert ending with the traditional New Year waltzes, marches and polkas of the Strauss family. This season's event, featuring for the first time some traditional gypsy music, promises to be another sparkling evening, so this is a chance to bring out your ball-gowns, white ties, tails and masks for one of the highlights of the Philharmonic's year!

An interval glass of champagne is included with the £13 and £10 tickets.

**Tickets:** £13 (balcony), £10 (stalls), £3 (children, students & UB40s)



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# A Night at the Opera

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Friday 12 February 7.30pm

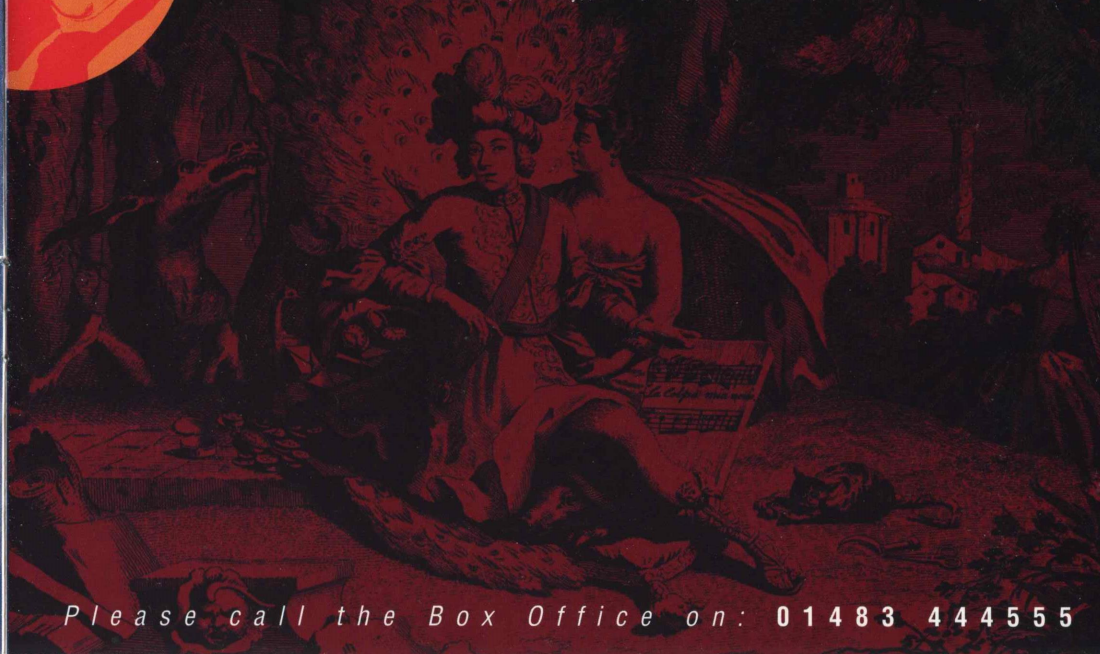
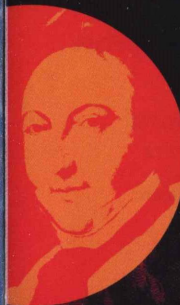
**Guildford Civic**

Guildford Philharmonic Orchestra

**Graham Jackson** Conductor

Opera: the perfect combination of music, voice and drama! This concert of arias and highlights from the world's greatest operas is conducted by Graham Jackson, who was born in Guildford and is now conductor with Welsh National Opera. It promises to be an unforgettable evening, with the programme featuring music by Mozart, Rossini, Bizet, Verdi and Puccini.

**Tickets:** £13 (balcony), £10 (stalls), £3 (children, students & UB40s)



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# The Tallis Scholars

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Friday 19 February 7.30pm

**Holy Trinity Church**  
High Street, Guildford

**Peter Phillips** Conductor

No one who attended last season's concert by The Tallis Scholars will want to miss this occasion, as this internationally acclaimed group returns to Guildford by popular demand. This special concert of music for Lent will include Thomas Tallis's beautiful *Lamentations of Jeremiah* as well as a new piece composed for the group by John Tavener.

**Tickets:** £16 (to include post-concert glass of wine at the Guildhall), £13 (concert only), £3 (children, students & UB40s - concert only)

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# Music by Candlelight for Royal Occasions

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Friday 12 March 8.00pm

**Holy Trinity Church**  
High Street, Guildford

Guildford Camerata

Guildford Philharmonic  
Chamber Orchestra

**Barry Rose** Conductor

*This concert forms part of the Guildford International Music Festival and is sponsored by*



This concert marks the welcome return to Guildford of Barry Rose, who was Guildford Cathedral's first Organist & Master of the Choristers. His distinguished career has also encompassed posts at St Paul's Cathedral and St Alban's Abbey. This special concert includes music for the royal courts and chapels by Byrd, Purcell, Handel, Haydn and Mozart.

**Tickets:** £13 (to include post-concert glass of wine at the Guildhall), £10 (concert only), £3 (children, students & UB40s)

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# Ensemble Bash

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Thursday 18 March 7.30pm

**Electric Theatre**  
Guildford



Ensemble Bash, the UK's leading percussion group, is renowned for its sheer breath-taking virtuosity as well as the variety and high entertainment value of its performances. The group made its Proms debut in 1997. The concert includes drumming from West Africa; an authentic re-working of a little-known Beatles number; music by Stewart Copeland formerly drummer with *Police*; and *The Art of Concealment*, a pocket piece for instruments hidden about the person!

**Tickets:** £8, £3 (children, students & UB40s)

*This concert forms part of the Guildford International Music Festival*

*Earlier in the afternoon, Ensemble Bash will be presenting a Children's Concert at the Electric Theatre: full details from the Guildford Philharmonic (01483 444666) or the Music Festival (01483 259690)*

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# The Magic of Dance

## The Crossley Clitheroe Concert

**11** Sunday 18 April 3.00pm

**Guildford Civic**

Guildford Philharmonic Orchestra

**En Shao** Conductor

A magical tour through the world of dance, with some of the greatest ballet scores ever written. The programme includes music by Tchaikovsky, Ravel, Bernstein, Prokofiev and Stravinsky, and the concert will be presented by one of this country's prima ballerinas. Tickets include interval tea and cakes!

**Tickets:** £13 (balcony), £10 (stalls), £3 (children, students & UB40s)

# Bach: Mass in B minor

**12** Saturday 1 May 7.30pm

**Guildford Cathedral**

Guildford Camerata

Guildford Chamber Choir

Guildford Philharmonic Chamber Orchestra

**Nicholas Kraemer** Conductor

Nicholas Kraemer is one of Europe's leading Bach interpreters, and, following his moving performance of the St John Passion last season, he returns to conduct Bach's glorious masterpiece, the Mass in B minor. The music is a rich celebration of the human spirit, moving, joyous and exhilarating, one of the finest works in the choral repertoire.

*This concert is sponsored by*



**Tickets:** £11, £3 (children, students & UB40s)

**The Genius of J.S. Bach** - See General Information page for details.

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# Medieval Music

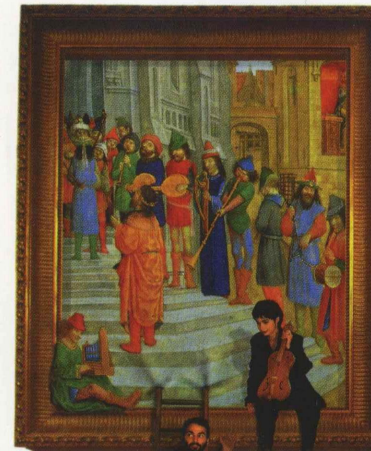
## by The Dufay Collective

**13** Friday 4 June 7.30pm

**Wanborough Barn**  
Wanborough, Guildford

The first ever concert in Wanborough's beautifully restored medieval barn (1388). This country's leading exponents of medieval music perform a selection of 13th and 14th-century dance music from across Europe. "A medieval jam-session as virtuoso as anything you're likely to hear at Ronnie Scott's". The tickets for this intriguing evening will include appropriate medieval beverages from 7pm and during the interval.

**Tickets:** £8, £3 (children, students & UB40s)



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# The Magic of Dance

## Last Night of the Proms with Fireworks

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Saturday 10 July 8.00pm

**Shalford Park**  
Guildford

Guildford Philharmonic Orchestra

**En Shao** Conductor

Guildford's answer to Kenwood Lakeside is right on your doorstep: the tree-lined splendour of Shalford Park is the setting for our increasingly popular annual summer concert with fireworks. A perfect evening out for the whole family! Bring a picnic and enjoy favourites from the classical repertoire while the stars come out and the fireworks begin.

**Tickets:** £13 (adults), £3 (children, students & UB40s)



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**Guildford Philharmonic**

The Guildford Philharmonic is at the heart of music-making in the south east, with a huge repertoire extending from the 17th century to the present day. The main concert season runs from October to June in a variety of venues around the Borough of Guildford, and in addition the orchestra is invited by other organisations to give concerts throughout London and the south of England.

The Guildford Philharmonic's scope ranges from concerts for children and with children, via chamber concerts in more intimate venues, to large-scale choral and orchestral works. The repertoire covers everything from jazz and light music to new music, and the emphasis is to work with young soloists wherever possible and to help these musicians at the outset of their careers.

En Shao - Principal Conductor



En Shao was appointed Principal Conductor in 1995, following in the illustrious footsteps of Crossley Clitheroe, Vernon Handley, Sir Charles Groves and Sir Alexander Gibson. The orchestra continues its work of attracting new audiences for all types of classical music and of making concert-going an exciting experience.

Guildford Borough Council has funded and managed the Philharmonic as part of its arts provision for the Borough since the orchestra's inception in 1945 (when it was the Guildford Municipal Orchestra). The Council is grateful to the South East Arts Board, South East Music Trust, the Friends of the Philharmonic and to its corporate sponsors, both local and national, for financial assistance towards the costs of running the orchestra during the 1998/99 season.

# Booking Information

There are fourteen concerts in the 98/99 season of the Guildford Philharmonic, and these are numbered from 1 to 14 on this brochure. Please note that the concert on 19 December is not part of the main season and tickets should be booked through the Cathedral.

This season we again operate a Flexible Subscription Scheme which will allow you to pick and choose the concerts you wish to attend.

**Booking opens Monday 24 August. Applications will not be dealt with before this date.**

The following discounts will apply to multiples of tickets booked:

	1 to 3 concerts - no discount
<b>Bronze Subscription:</b>	4 to 5 concerts - 10% discount
<b>Silver Subscription:</b>	6 to 8 concerts - 15% discount
<b>Gold Subscription:</b>	9 to 11 concerts - 20% discount
<b>Diamond Subscription:</b>	12 to 14 concerts - 25% discount
<b>Party Bookings:</b>	20% discount on 10 or more tickets

**Special benefits:** Gold and Diamond Subscribers are invited to a Reception after the Guildford Civic concert on Saturday 21 November

**How to book** Guildford Civic Box Office: 01483 444555  
 Monday - Friday 9.30am - 6.00pm  
 Saturday 9.30am - 4.30pm  
 45 minutes before each concert at the appropriate venue

- Fill in the booking form with your appropriate choices of concert, price, number of tickets, etc.

*If you wish, you can leave the TOTAL box empty for the Box Office to make the appropriate deduction if you are booking for more than three concerts*

- Choose your method of payment:

**Cheque** payable to **Guildford Borough Council**

**Credit card** (Visa/Access) - by booking form or phone (01483 444555)

**3 post-dated cheques** for the 1 October 1998, 1 December 1998, 1 February 1999 made payable to **Guildford Borough Council**

- Enclose a stamped addressed envelope and post this form with your payment to: Box Office, Guildford Civic, Guildford, Surrey, GU1 2HA

**BOX OFFICE: 01483 444555**

# Booking Form

Priority booking code (Friends & Subscribers of 97/98 only)

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\*Please delete as appropriate to indicate your choice.

No. of full price seats

total price for full price seats (as listed above, before discount) £

% of discount deductible (see opposite page for details) £

SUB TOTAL £

No. of children/student & UB40 seats

(No further discount for these seats) £

preferred Guildford Civic seat numbers if known (cannot be guaranteed) Stalls/balcony

GRAND TOTAL £





# Lunchtime Recitals

at the Guildhall, High Street, Guildford



1998

**16 October**

Jorge Luis Prats (piano)

**20 November**

Fiona Cameron (soprano)

**11 December**

Leopold String Trio

1999

Artists to be announced

**15 January**

**19 February**

**19 March**

**16 April**

**14 May**

**18 June**

*All concerts are on  
Fridays at 12.30pm,  
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*Tickets for Guildhall Recitals:*

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*Box Office for Guildford  
Philharmonic concerts:*

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