

Abbeyle Singers

Founded in 1986, the Sheffield-based Abbeyle Singers have established a reputation as one of the foremost *a cappella* choirs in Yorkshire. Originally with a membership of 12, the choir has grown over the years and we now have 22 singers, plus our Musical Director. Our members share a love of choral music and an enthusiasm for exploring its rich and diverse heritage. We have a simple philosophy: to strive for the highest musical standards and ensure that everyone has a good time in the process. We are strongly committed to the development of young solo singers and instrumentalists and always include them in our concerts.

We have sung at venues ranging from cathedrals, churches and community halls, to hospitals, hotels, schools and universities. We have won many prizes in singing competitions and enjoyed two singing tours to Ireland in 2000 and 2004. We visited Budapest in October 2006 where we sang at the Matthias Church and St Michael's Church and are now planning a trip to Prague in October this year.

Tom McFarlane

Tom is 15 years old and is a pupil at the Dronfield Henry Fanshawe School, where he is in year 10, starting his GCSEs. He has a love of music and, having grown up in a musical family, has always had music around him. He has been playing clarinet for 8 years and takes weekly lessons at school with Jane Taylor. Tom is currently working towards his Grade 8 and also plays in several ensembles. On Saturday mornings he goes to the North East Derbyshire Music Centre in Chesterfield where he is principal clarinet in the Senior Windband and Clarinet Choir. He also plays for the Derbyshire City and County Youth Windband. Tom hopes that you enjoy the programme he will play for you this evening.

During the interval refreshments (included in the ticket price) will be served.

Programme

Hosanna to the son of David	Thomas Weelkes
Crucifixus	Antonio Lotti
Four sacred part songs	Felix Mendelssohn
Kyrie eleison	
Heilig	
Jauchzet dem Herrn alle Welt	
Frohloeket, ihr Völker auf Erden	

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Three graduals for the church year	Anton Bruckner
Locus iste a Deo factus est	
Os Justi meditabitur sapientiam	
Christus factus est pro nobis obediens	
O sacrum convivium	Olivier Messiaen
Agnus Dei	Samuel Barber

Interval

Five flower songs:	Benjamin Britten
To daffodils	
The succession of the four sweet months	
Marsh flowers	
The evening primrose	
Ballad of green broom	
The blue bird	Charles Villiers Stanford
The hills	John Ireland

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Romance	Ward Swingle
And so it goes	Billy Joel arr Bob Chilcott
Autumn leaves	Joseph Kosma arr Andrew Carter
I got rhythm	George Gershwin arr C Clapham
Plenty good room (on the glory train)	Kirby Shaw

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Musical Director: Kevin Houghton

Sopranos: Naomi Baynes, Hazel Cropper
Michelle Hayward, Hilary Pye,
Sarah Rooper, Anna Rutherford,
Julia Stockton, Pat Turner

Contraltos: Helen Beach, Helen Cowen, Sue Houghton,
Rachel Kitt, Ruth Siggs, Linda Wareham

Tenors: Nick Baynes, Peter King,
Chris Nicholson

Basses: Nigel Boucher, Michael Hannon,
Steve Holden, Matthew Lovell,
Robert Wareham

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**The Abbeydale Singers are available to sing at special events
of all kinds such as weddings, anniversaries, birthdays,
conferences and dinners.**

Contact our Secretary for further information.