

Organ Recitals

July 2024



BATTLE OF THE ORGANS

Thursday 22 August | 6.45pm

This August, Chester Cathedral will present an out of the ordinary event in the form of a Battle of the Organs concert as part of the Cathedral's summer series of organ concerts.

Cathedral organists Philip Rushforth, Alexander Lanigan-Palotai, Daniel Mathieson and Graham Eccles will combine forces for a light-hearted, one-off organ skirmish, jam-packed with musical variety and virtuosity.

Tickets £15 adults, £5 children. All proceeds will go towards the organ appeal for repairing and maintaining our magnificent organ.

Join us for a special series for summer evening organ recitals every Thursday in August at 6.45pm. See August Recitalist below for full programme.

August Recitalists

1 Alexander Wilton
(Royal College of Music)

8 Geoffrey Woollatt
(Manchester Cathedral)

15 Colin Andrews
(USA)

22 Battle of the Organs
Featuring the Cathedral Organists

29 David Hirst
(Paris)

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4 July | 1.10pm

Stefan Donner (Vienna)

Prelude G Major
(from *Four Little Preludes and Fugues*, 1926)

Franz Schmidt
(1874-1939)

Sechs Studien in kanonischer Form für den Pedalflügel
2. Mit innigem Ausdruck
4. Innig
6. Adagio

Robert Schumann
(1810-56)

Allegro cantabile *Symphonie No. 5, Op. 42*

C-M Widor
(1844-1927)

Toccatà and Fugue A Minor (*Op. 80*)

Max Reger
(1873-1916)

11 July | 1.10pm

Alexander Lanigan-Palotai (Chester Cathedral)

Festival Fanfare

Kenneth Leighton
(1929-88)

Fantasia of Four Parts

Orlando Gibbons
(1583-1625)

Cathédrales (Op. 55/3)

Louis Vierne
(1870-1937)

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr (BWV 662)

J S Bach
(1685-1750)

Rhapsody No. 3 (Op. 17/3)

Herbert Howells
(1892-1983)

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18 July | 1.10pm

Philip Crozier (Canada)

Partite diverse sopra *De Lofzang van Maria* (Magnificat)

Koraal
Ricercare
Aria
Scherzando
Pedaalsolo
Koraal in Canon
Fugato

Piet Post
(1919-79)

Impromptu (Op. 54, No. 2)

Louis Vierne
(1870-1937)

Rhapsody (Op. 17, No. 3)

Herbert Howells
(1892-1983)

Aria (Op. 51)

Flor Peeters
(1903-86)

All' Offertorio

Domenico Zipoli
(1688-1726)

Hommage (*à la mémoire de Sylvie Poirier*) (2014)

Denis Bédard
(b. 1950)

A Festive Voluntary (Variations on *Good King Wenceslas*)

Petr Eben
(1929-2007)

25 July | 1.10pm

Friedhelm Flamme (Germany)

Praeludium in C (BuxWV 138)

Dietrich Buxtehude
(1637-1707)

All in a Garden green

William Byrd
(1543-1623)

Praeludium und Fuge in g (BWV 535)

J S Bach
(1685-1750)

Praetorius-Variations

Jesper Madsen
(1957-99)

Variations on a motet by Michael Praetorius (1609): "Praise the LORD"

Theme

Variation 1: Accelerando al presto – Recitativo – Tempo primo

Variation 2: Tempo giusto, poco scherzando

Variation 3: Lento, espressivo

Variation 4: Scherzando, leggiere, vivo

Variation 5: Andante, espressivo

Variation 6: Finale. Maestoso e largo – Allegro – Presto – Festivo Largo –

Presto agitato – Più moderato