

Renaissance motets for Advent and Christmas

Tutor: David Allinson

Put aside thoughts of Christmas shopping and join us for a day of uplifting seasonal music. Renaissance composers were inspired to their greatest heights by the mystery of Advent and the joy of the Nativity. Our day mixes English works with Spanish motets and *villancicos*. Francisco Guerrero was the master of the *villancico* form, which drew popular themes and dance rhythms into the church.

Our final choice of repertoire choices will be selected from the following and will be dependent upon numbers signing up.

ADVENT MOTETS

Victoria, *Ecce Dominus veniet* a5 SATTB

Guerrero, *Canite tuba* a4 SATB

Tallis, *Videte miraculum* a6 SATTBB

Guerrero, *Veni Domine et noli tardare* a5 SSATB

NATIVITY MOTETS

Victoria, *O magnum mysterium* a4 SATB

Morales, *Pastores, dicite* a4 SATB

Byrd, *Lullaby, my sweet little baby* a5 SAATB

Guerrero, *Villancicos* (various)

We need plenty of tenors, particularly for *Videte Miraculum*, so men are especially encouraged to book early!

We are delighted to welcome Dr. David Allinson back to MEMF. As a professional conductor, singer and educator specialising in early music, he works extensively with choirs and is the regular conductor of several choirs, including the Renaissance Singers. He leads many workshops, both here and abroad and is well known amongst all our Early Music Fora as a lively and informative tutor.

Neither MEMF nor the Church can accept any responsibility for any property lost or damaged.

Timetable

10.00	Registration and drinks
10.30	Morning sessions (with a comfort break)
1.00	Lunch – bring sandwiches or use local pubs and eateries.
2.15 – 4.00	Afternoon session
4.30 – 5.00	‘Workshop Performance’ – visitors welcome

Workshop fees – see booking form

Directions



Please complete the enclosed Booking Form and send it as soon as you conveniently can with your cheque (payable to ‘MEMF’) to:
Gillian Grason Smith, 3 Verney Houses, Little Kineton, Warwick. CV35 0DJ.
Tel: 01926 640203 email: memf@hemiolanet.co.uk

If, after booking, you find you can't make it, even if it's at the last minute, in case there is a waiting list. If contacting us after December 1st, please phone Noreen Trusselle on 0121 777 1288. Noreen can be contacted on her mobile number 07749 907 486 on the morning of the workshop. (Please do not use this mobile number at any other time.)

Forthcoming workshops and events in 2011 for your diary



Saturday 8th January -
MEMF Revels, including an afternoon workshop with David Hatcher on
seasonal motets by Michael Praetorius.
Venue: Middleton Hall

Saturday 12th February
Lassus: Prophetiae Sybillarum etc.
Tutor: Stephen Rice
Venue: St. Peter's Church, Maney

Saturday 2nd April
Victoria: Requiem
Tutor: David Hill
Venue: tba

Saturday 21st May
17th century Portuguese Polyphony
Tutor: Graham O'Reilly
Venue: tba

Friday to Sunday: 8th – 9th July
Bach: Mass in B minor
Tutor: John Butt
Venue: Solihull School

Saturday and Sunday 8th and 9th October
Tutor: Philip Thorby
Repertoire to be advised

Sunday 6th November
Striggio: Missa Sopra Ecco Beato Giorno
Tutor: Robert Hollingworth
Venue: Kidderminster Town Hall
This workshop is being organised by BMEMF

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