



VOICES FOR HOSPICES 1994

On October 5th 1991 the explosion of sound, which I hoped would be heard as a Voice for Hospices, materialised in a way we could none of us have predicted. Now, another such explosion is planned for October 8th 1994, this time with the most popular of all choral works as its basis.

The music is vital but just as vital is the message it carries: that the work of the Hospice, wherever it takes place, is something we must support and value.

The Earl of Harewood KBE

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That is why BT is proud to support the Voices for Hospices Appeal.

A commitment to the community is something we share.



In the community

BT VOICES FOR HOSPICES 1994

8 October 1994

You are participating in the world's largest simultaneous singing event. As your voice resounds, as you listen to Handel's stirring and uplifting *Messiah*, so too do hundreds of thousands of others. The common bond is to raise funds for local hospices.

BT VOICES FOR HOSPICES 1994 is vitally important to the hospice movement to raise funds and create awareness of its key role in the community. Seventy-five percent of the 203 hospices in the British Isles are funded voluntarily.

Three years ago just under £500,000, together with many other benefits, was raised from a smaller event. In 1994, with over 200 venues and the participation of some of the world's leading soloists, conductors and orchestras, and with your help, we hope to raise much more to help fund the estimated 50,000 hospice admissions per year. Approximately 100,000 home care patients are also seen annually and 5,000 people attend day care facilities in just one week.

Whichever of our nationwide venues you are in - and they range from the north of Scotland to the Isle of Wight and Northern Ireland to East Anglia and every county in between - you are united in our cause to finance hospices, their special care for patients, and the support they extend to families. As Rodger Broad, BT Head of Corporate Sponsorship, says:

"There are very few opportunities so worthwhile as those offered by the VOICES FOR HOSPICES project. We are delighted to be supporting such a deserving cause and the valuable work undertaken by the hospice movement. The genuine enthusiasm of all those involved is truly uplifting."

We are indebted to British Telecommunications plc (BT) for its sponsorship and enabling events to occur, and to BBC Radio Two for launching today's countdown.

In conjunction with the Council for Music in Hospitals, during October and November, BT is also providing around 120 free concerts in hospices to provide musical entertainment for patients, their families and staff.

In the UK we have around 154 simultaneous performances of *Messiah* with over 50 additional performances worldwide. We are delighted that hospices in many parts of the world have responded to our invitation and are joining us today, raising their *Voices for Hospices* too. As Dr Cynthia Goh (Singapore) wrote in a recent letter: "It's great to be in this together!"

For various local, religious or cultural reasons, not all international performances will consist of the entire *Messiah*, but all will be including at least some of its well known choruses.

However much of Handel's work we sing we will be united in spirit, surrounding the world with a chain of praise in support of those who care for the dying and those for whom they care.

Wishing you much joy and success in raising your *Hallelujah for Hospices*, and our grateful thanks for your financial support.

Sheila Hurton

Chairman: National Executive Committee

HANDEL'S MESSIAH

with

The Linden Baroque Orchestra and Choir Conductor David Bevan is in aid of:

St. John's Hospice

at the Hospital of St. John & St. Elizabeth 60 Grove End Road NW8

at St. John's Wood Parish Church, by kind permission of Reverend John Slater

Guest Speaker

MISS ESTHER RANTZEN O.B.E.



PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

- 7.15pm Guests requested to be seated for the BBC Radio 2 introduction & countdown.
- 7.30pm Performance begins
 - in the interval some extra refreshments will be available for those who have not already ordered and paid for them.
 - After the performance Esther Rantzen will speak on behalf of the Hospice.
 - The Wine Bar will remain open for those wishing to meet the performers who will be having their refreshments.



The Hospice would like to record its grateful thanks to:-

Esther Rantzen & Desmond Wilcox

for their support & encouragement of St. John's Hospice.

David Bevan, the Soloists, Orchestra and Choir

for so generously giving of their skills and their time.

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for his energetic part in arranging this evening's entertainment.

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St. John's Hospice, Registered Charity No. 235822.

PROGRAMME

PART ONE

	1	Sinfonia (Overture)
	2	Comfort ye my people
	3	Ev'ry valley shall be exalted
	4	And the glory of the Lord
	5	Thus saith the Lord
	6	But who may abide the day of his coming? (version I) Air for Alto.
	7	And he shall purify
	8	Behold, a virgin shall conceive
	9	O thou that tellest good things to Zion Air and Chorus.
	10	For behold, darkness shall cover the earth Recit.
	12	For unto us a child is born
	13	Pifa ("Pastoral Symphony")
	14	(a) There were shepherds abiding in the field Recit.
		(b) And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them Recit.
	15	And the angel said unto them
	16	And suddenly there was with the angel
	17	Glory to God Chorus
	18	Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion (version I)
	19	Then shall the eyes of the blind
	20	He shall feed his flock (Version II) Transposed. for A. and S.
	21	His yoke is easy, and his burthen light Chorus.
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LINDEN BAROQUE ORCHESTRA & CHOIR

Leader
Violins: Ben Constantine, Robin Boothby, Alan Selwyn, Naomi West, Barbara Grant, Gertrude Evans, Ken Fouge, Linda McDonald, Rachel Good, Elizabeth Kanna, Caroline Bramwell.
ViolasRon Porta, Jonathan Burgess, Patricia Herrenbachen.
Cellos Tatty Theo, Valerie Warner, Jean Turpor.
Violone
Oboe
Bassoon
Continuo Organ Paul Jeslin
Trumpet

SOPRANO

Julia Aram Elizabeth Limb
Sally Donegani Marie McCaffrey
Helen Freed Wendy Norman
Clare Galton Helen Ross
Jenny Hansell

ALTO

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Linden Baroque Orchestra was started in 1982 by a group of early music fanatics meeting at a house in Linden Gardens, Chiswick. From the beginning the musical director has been the renowned baroque oboist, Paul Goodwin. At its first inception, the orchestra was unique in combining talented amateurs and young professionals and many of the original members have gone on to have distinguished careers in the early music field, whilst others are still doctors, computer scientists, decorative box makers and so on. The orchestra has given concerts as far apart as Norfolk and Rome (where it gave the first performance of Purcell's King Arthur in 1992) and has given many first performances in modern times, notably of music by Gilles and Fasch. In 1992 the Linden Baroque choir was formed to provide a more authentic performance style to blend with the orchestra in choral works of the 16th to 18th centuries.

For further information about Linden Baroque, please contact Alan Selwyn, Tel: 0171 586 0553

DAVID BEVAN

David is a composer with many notable works to his credit including *Toccata and Fugue for Organ* (1993) and *Requiem Mass* to be performed by the Oxford Girls Choir in 1995. His *Magnificat* settings are regularly performed at Westminster Cathedral and Brompton Oratory. As a boy in the 1960s he was Head Chorister at the Westminster Cathedral Choir School and Music Scholar at Downside. On coming down from Queen's College Oxford he became Assistant Organist of Westminster Cathedral and later Acting Master of Music there. He progressed through a series of important musical teaching posts in the USA and the UK, sang as a professional tenor in-London, and from 1982-94 was Director of Music at the Church of the Holy Redeemer Chelsea. He is now Assistant Director of Music at Prior Park College, Bath and A level tutor at King Edward's School, Bath. His other compositions include Masses, Motets, Horn Octet, Piano Pieces, String Quartet, etc.

RACHEL BEVAN - SOPRANO

Rachel Bevan studied singing at Trinity College of Music, continuing afterwards with Jessica Cash. She became a member of the London Oratory Choir early in her career and since then records and tours extensively with most of London's leading professional groups, notably Tavener, The English Concert and the Shutz Choir of London. As a soloist Rachel Bevan has recorded with Pro Cantione Antiqua of London, the Tavener Choir has been the Queen in the *Play of Daniel* for the London Promenade Concerts as well as being in regular demand for Oratorios up and down the country. On a lighter note she was the Soprano in Donald Swann's quartet

JENNIFER HIGGINS - CONTRALTO

Jennifer Higgins is a first class honours graduate in Mathematics and Statistics. After University, she took a post-graduate course at the Royal College of Music, winning an Exhibition. She now studies with Laura Sarti. On the concert platform she has sung throughout the country, including Messiah from scratch, Elgar's Sea Pictures and The Kingdom, Mahler's Symphony No 8, and Verdi's Requiem. Jennifer made her South Bank debut in a Park Lane Group recital. In the realm of Opera she has appeared with Kent Opera, Opera du Nord, Covent Garden, English National Opera and Glyndebourne Festival Opera. Her debut as a principal came in 1984, singing Carmen with Opera East, followed by Count Orlofsky (Die Fledermaus), Carmen, Suzuki (Madame Butterfly), Lucretia (The Rape of Lucretia), Dorabella l (Cosi fan tutte) and Amneris (Aida). In the summer of 1989 she sang Carmen in a community project, Carmen at Cressing, from which Anglia Television made a documentary.

DANIEL NORMAN - TENOR

Daniel Norman began his musical life as a chorister at Lichfield Cathedral, where he made several recordings and broadcasts as a treble soloist. He was a Choral Scholar at New College, Oxford, where he read Engineering. At Oxford he gave many recitals. Recent Oratorio Performances have included Handel's Messiah, Theodora, and Ode on St Cecilia's Day, Bach's Magnificat and St Matthew Passion, the Monteverdi Vespers and Mendelssohn's Elijah. He has performed many roles for the Oxford-based New Chamber Opera including The Madwoman, Nebuchadnezzar and The Tempter in their recent cycle of Britten's Church Parables, Curlew River, The Burning Fiery Furnace and The Prodigal Son. Daniel has recently returned from Canada where he was studying at the Banff Centre for the Arts. Whilst there he worked on all aspects of performance of Opera and Song.

BENJAMIN BEVAN - BARITONE

Benjamin's earliest experience of singing was as the youngest member of the Bevan Family Choir. For two years he sang as a lay clerk at Bramdean School Exeter and in1993 Benjamin won a scholarship to the Guildhall School of Music and Drama where he now studies with David Pollard. He is a member of the London Oratory Choir and sings also with the Schola Gregorianum of Cambridge. Solo performances this year have included Handel's Judas Maccabeus, Bach's St. Matthew Passion and Mass in B Minor, Mozart's Requiem and the Stabet Mater by Baron d'Astorga (1680-1757). Benjamin maintains a great interest in wine and continues to write for several newspapers on the subject.

COLIN STUART-CONTINUO

Colin Stuart was born in Aberdeen. He is a graduate of the Universities of Aberdeen & Reading and completed a post-graduate performers course at Birmingham Conservatoire where he was awarded the BMI Recital Prize. He currently combines the post of Organist, at St. John's Wood Church with a busy freelance performing and teaching career. Colin specialises in work with solo singers and choirs. He has been associated with many different choral groups throughout Britain, giving regular BBC broadcasts with the Bristol Highbury Singers.

ESTHER RANTZEN

Esther Rantzen joined the BBC in 1963 as a sound effects assistant for BBC radio, having received a masters degree in English at Somerville College, Oxford. She then moved to television where she is now best known for presenting and producing "That's Life!" (since 1973), and "Hearts of Gold" (Since 1988). She founded Childline, Britain's first national freephone charity for children in trouble or danger, of which she is Chairman. It was launched on a major report, "Childwatch", broadcast on BBC1 in October 1986. She was a member of the National Consumer Council for nine years, is a member of the Health Education Authority, an Honorary Member of the NSPCC Council, a Serving Sister of the Order of St. John, and patron of eighteen charities including Contact a Family, for families of disabled children, Scope, a self help organisation for families with young children, The National Deaf Children's Society, and the Children's Head Injury Trust. She received the OBE in January 1991. Esther is married to television producer/director Desmond Wilcox and they have three children, Emily, aged 16, Rebecca, aged 14, and Joshua, aged 12, who all take an active interest in Childline.

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And finally to the National Executive Committee, National Co-ordinator and Overseas Co-ordinator:

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