

BRISTOL CONCERT ORCHESTRA

Stefan Hofkes conductor

Berlioz

Symphonie Fantastique

Vaughan Williams

Dona nobis pacem

Charlotte Newstead (soprano)

Martin Le Poidevin (baritone)

The Choirs of St Mary Redcliffe Church

Purcell / Stokowski

Dido's Lament

Bristol Concert Orchestra Registered Charity No.1128196

SATURDAY 30 JUNE 2018 7:30pm

St Mary Redcliffe Church, Bristol, BS1 6RA

Tickets: £15, £12, £10 (conc. £13, £10, £8), children £1

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(£1 per transaction online booking fee) or tickets at the door on concert night

Retiring collection for The Stroke Association

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Saturday 30 June 2018, 7:30pm, St Mary Redcliffe Church, Bristol, BS1 6RA

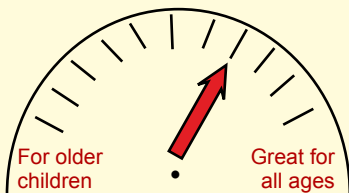
Berlioz *Symphonie Fantastique* & Vaughan Williams *Dona nobis pacem*

St Mary Redcliffe Church



St Mary Redcliffe Church was famously described as "*the fairest, goodliest, and most famous parish church in England*" by Queen Elizabeth I and this concert of music full of orchestral and choral colour is sure to sound incredible in this magnificent building.

The BCO child-friendly-ometer!



This concert of awe-inspiring music is should suit children of most ages.

This concert of two halves opens with Stokowski's string arrangement of Purcell's heartrending *Dido's Lament* ('When I am Laid in Earth'), providing an incredibly effective prelude to Vaughan Williams' impassioned plea for peace *Dona nobis pacem* (written after the composer's experiences as an ambulance driver in World War I) and recognised as a powerfully beautiful choral masterpiece.

For the second half, the incredible *Symphonie Fantastique* - the 'programme symphony' written by a 27-year-old Berlioz telling the (autobiographical) story of "an artist gifted with a lively imagination" who has "poisoned himself with opium" in the "depths of despair" because of "hopeless, unrequited love." The five movements of this hallucinatory tale include a beautiful waltz, the famous 'March to the Scaffold' and concludes at the funeral of the hero attended by sorcerers and monsters. Fantastical indeed...

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Tickets are on sale now:

£10-£15 (concessions £8-£13), children £1

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Saturday 1 December 2018, 7:30pm
St George's Bristol

Humperdinck *Hansel and Gretel Overture*
Mendelssohn *Violin Concerto Eloisa-Fleur Thom (violin)*
Mahler *Symphony No.1*

Tickets on sale summer 2018

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