



## YOUNG ARTISTS' SERIES 2016/17

In the exceptional setting of St John's Smith Square, acoustics, atmosphere, fine dining and architecture come together to create a rich and welcoming experience.



## YOUNG ARTISTS' SERIES

We are delighted to present our six new young artists for this season – Christina McMaster, Ensemble Mirage, Ferio Saxophone Quartet, Minerva Piano Trio, Oliver Wass, and Palisander.

Our Young Artists' Scheme was launched two seasons ago with the intention to provide a performance platform, marketing and development assistance, and career support to exceptional young artists at the beginning of their professional careers.

Each Young Artist is also awarded a fund to either commission a new work by a living composer, or a new edition of a piece of early music. The resulting work will be performed at one of their three concerts this season.

We hope you will join us!

### **18 CONCERTS**

£5 for members of our **Young Friends Scheme**, a free scheme for those aged 30 and under (please see **page 27**).

Book for more than one concert at the same time, and save 20%.

## Christina McMaster PIANO



Christina McMaster is a highly innovative pianist and curator with a continually growing reputation for bold and vivacious performances.

She has won numerous prizes including the Jacob Barnes Award, The Royal Academy Christian Carpenter Prize, The CAVATINA Chamber Music Trust Prize, and the audience prize in the Jacques Samuels Intercollegiate Competition.

In 2013 Christina graduated from the Royal Academy of Music where she studied with Joanna MacGregor. Since then, she has developed an avid interest in 20th-century French pianism and music.

Christina is a dedicated performer and commissioner of new music and has worked with Sir Harrison Birtwistle, Sir Peter Maxwell Davies, Tansy Davies, and Stephen Montague.

Christina launched her debut album *Pinks & Blues*, a fusion of classical and contemporary music influenced by jazz and the blues featuring two new commissions. in October 2015.

Christina currently teaches post-graduates at the Royal Academy of Music and curates the Multimedia and Piano part of its annual Piano Festival.

As a Young Artist this season, Christina will commission new works by Ayanna Witter-Johnson and Richard Bullen.

christinamcmaster.com

## **Ensemble Mirage**

Ensemble Mirage is a dynamic flexi-ensemble, which is led and directed by its founder, British clarinettist Matthew Scott.

A flexi-ensemble structure enables them to explore a vast range of chamber music for clarinet, strings and piano.

Ensemble Mirage evolved from the award-winning ensemble Trio Mirage which formed in early 2014 at the Royal Academy of Music, comprising British clarinettist Matthew Scott, Hungarian violinist Júlia Pusker and Romanian pianist Alexandra Vaduva. The trio were awarded the Academy's Harold Craxton Prize and a Chamber Music Fellowship.

To explore larger repertoire, Trio Mirage began collaborating with other musicians, including Lithuanian violist Ugnė Tiškutė and Russian cellist Tatiana Chernyshova, to form Ensemble Mirage. They have performed in various flexes at Colston Hall, The Two Moors Festival, China Exchange, and Norfolk and Norwich Festival.

ensemblemirage.com



Timothy Ellis

## Ferio Saxophone Quartet



The award-winning Ferio Saxophone Quartet is emerging as one of the leading British saxophone quartets among the new generation, receiving enthusiastic reactions from audiences and critics.

Winners of the 2015 Royal Over-Seas League's Ensemble Competition, the Quartet has also been awarded the Philharmonia Orchestra's Martin Musical Scholarship Fund, the Tunnell Trust, and a Young Artist residency with the Park Lane Group Artists in 2016.

In 2015 the quartet made their debut at the Purcell Room as winners of the Martins Musical Ensemble Award. The quartet have performed at Southbank Centre, Conway Hall,
Cambridge Summer Festival
and Three Choirs Festival. In
addition to their Young Artist
residency here, their recent and
forthcoming highlights include
tours of Scotland, the Channel
Islands, the premiere of a
commission by Laura Bowler,
and recitals at Wigmore Hall,
Edinburgh Fringe, as well as the
Brighton, Newbury and
Petworth Festivals.

Their debut album *Polychroma* was released in January 2016 and features music by Lago, Bach, Elgar, Françaix, Grieg and Tchaikovsky – a combination of transriptions and original works for saxophone quartet.

feriosax.co.uk

## Minerva Piano Trio



This season, the Minerva Piano Trio will present innovative concerts, joining forces with young composers and incorporating other art forms.

As part of their ongoing project, the Trio will perform their revival of Brahms' radically different original version of his first trio.

Each concert explores the Trio's passions for new music, historical research, and creative collaborations.

Following their London debut at the Purcell Room in 2014 as Park Lane Group Young Artists, they have established themselves as one of the UK's exciting young trios – "most beautiful sounds" (The Times); "splendid renditions" (Classical Source). They have worked closely with leading British composers including Mark-Anthony Turnage and Roxanna Panufnik. Recent highlights include the premiere of a work written by the Minerva Piano Trio's cellist and composer Richard Birchall.

The Trio have received coaching from Gordon Back, members of the former Florestan Trio, and Gábor Takács-Nagy.

They are grateful for the support of ChamberStudio, Richard Carne Trust, and Concordia Foundation.

minervapianotrio.com

## Oliver Wass HARD

Oliver Wass is a Masters student at the Guildhall School of Music & Drama, for which he has been awarded a full scholarship to study with Imogen Barford.

He graduated from the University of York with a First Class Honours degree, achieving the highest mark ever awarded for his final recital, and winning the Blake Music Prize. Previously, he studied with Charlotte Seale at the Junior Department of the GSMD, where he became the only harpist to have been a prizewinner in the prestigious Lutine Competition, and he was Principal Harp in the National Youth Orchestra.

Oliver recently won the Guildhall School's most prestigious Gold Medal. In 2014 he won lst prize in three concerto competitions. Oliver recently won both the Grand Prize and the Audience Prize at the St Martin-in-the-Fields Chamber Music Competition with the Pelléas Ensemble, his flute-viola-harp trio. He has performed concertos at the London Handel Festival, the



City of London Festival, with the Oxford Sinfonia, and with the World Chamber Orchestra.

Oliver is very grateful for support from the Countess of Munster Musical Trust, and Help Musicians UK, where he holds a Fleming Award.

oliverwass.co.uk

## Palisander RECORDER OUARTET

Palisander was described as "outstanding" and "thrilling" in reviews of the quartet's performance at Brighton Early Music Festival last autumn.

Graduates of the Guildhall School of Music and Drama. the quartet was selected for the Festival's 2015-2016 'Early Music Live!' scheme. They are also winners of the June Emerson Launchpad Prize for chamber groups, and have performed at the Royal **Greenwich International Early** Music Festival. International St Ceciliatide Festival, Tel Aviv International Early Music

Seminar, and the Wallace Collection to name a few.

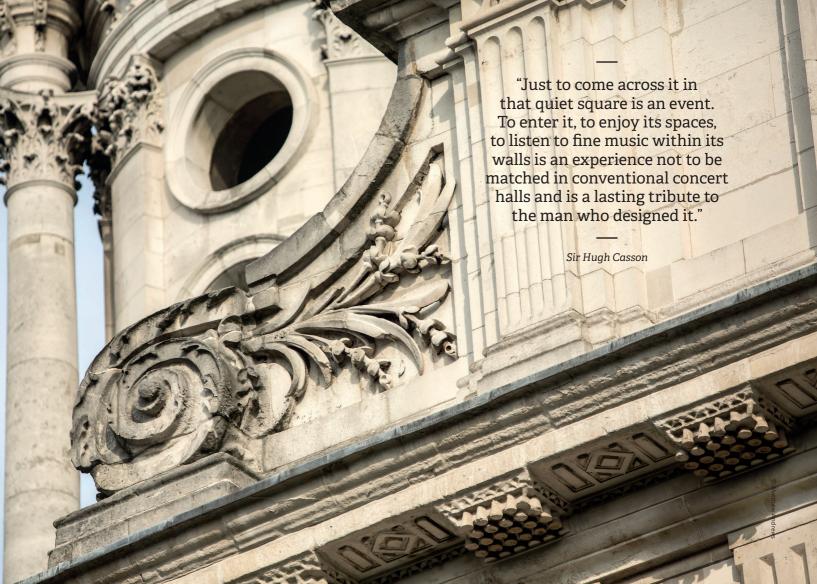
Palisander prides itself on presenting imaginative. historical programmes with a wide range of repertoire; often performing on recorders up to six feet tall.

Palisander enjoys giving regular family concerts and workshops, and is developing an exciting new show for families, with the puppet company Rust and Stardust Productions.

Palisander will release its debut CD in Autumn 2016.

palisanderrecorders.com





## **SEPTEMBER**

## CHRISTINA MCMASTER

**Elemental Rhythm** 

Sarah Gabriel ACTOR & SINGER and young pianists

Debussy 12 Preludes Book 1 • Étude Pour les huit doigts • Étude Pour les Octaves Stravinsky Five easy pieces for piano four hands Scarlatti Sonata in F K445 Ligeti Étude No. 4 and No. 7 Satie Gymnopédie No. 3 • Sports et Divertissements Bartók No. 2 and No. 4 from Bulgarian Dances for Piano

Christina McMaster opens with Debussy's distinctive sounds of nature in the *Preludes Book 1* and also explores works including the highly innovative and often witty *Piano Études*. These are interspersed by the rhythmic and percussive brilliance of Ligeti, Scarlatti, Stravinsky and Bartók.

christinamcmaster.com

Sun 25 September 3.00pm £14 (£10), YF



## **OCTOBER**



## MINERVA PIANO TRIO

The Genesis of Minerva: Schumann and the Young Brahms

Michał Ćwiżewicz VIOLIN Richard Birchall CELLO Annie Yim PIANO

Schumann Piano Trio in D minor Op. 63 Richard Birchall Contours Brahms Piano Trio in B Op. 8a (original version) After Robert Schumann declared the young Brahms as a composer "fully formed like Minerva", Brahms responded with the original version of his Piano Trio in B Op. 8a in 1854, aged 20. The Trio's revival of this rarely performed work reflects long-term research through a new interpretation. Cellist and composer Richard Birchall's Contours was the Minerva Piano Trio's first commissioned work.

There will be a pre-concert talk at 2.15pm.

minervapianotrio.com

**Sun 23 October 3.00pm** £14 (£10), YF

## **DECEMBER**



# ENSEMBLE MIRAGE

Three-in-One

Matthew Scott CLARINET
Júlia Pusker VIOLIN
Ugnė Tiškutė VIOLA
Tatiana Chernyshova CELLO
Alexandra Vaduva PIANO

Stravinsky Suite from L'Histoire du Soldat Rota Trio Françaix Trio Rarely performed alongside each other, flexi-ensemble Ensemble Mirage presents 'Three-in-One', an exciting programme showcasing the three core clarinet trios and the variety of sounds these different instrument groupings create.

ensemblemirage.com

## Thu 24 November 1.05pm

£10, YF



## FERIO SAXOPHONE QUARTET

Huw Wiggin SOPRANO SAX Ellie McMurray ALTO SAX Jose Bañuls TENOR SAX Shevaughan Beere BARITONE SAX

Bach arr. Ferio Saxophone Quartet Prelude and Fugue in G minor BWV535 Grieg Holberg Suite Pergolesi Stabat Mater Bach Italian Concerto BWV971 This concert brings together familiar works arranged for saxophone quartet.

The programme includes the ever popular *Holberg Suite* with two of Bach's most popular works: *Prelude and Fugue in G minor*, originally for organ, and the *Italian Concerto* originally for piano. Pergolesi's *Stabat Mater* completes the programme with one of his most celebrated sacred works.

feriosax.co.uk

## Thu 8 December 1.05pm

£10, YF

## **JANUARY**



## **OLIVER WASS**

## **Poetry in Music**

Hindemith Sonata for Harp Julian Philips Winter Music (world premiere) Renié Légende

Poetry has always inspired composers, and this lunchtime concert presents works for solo harp with music based on the poetry of Dylan Thomas, Paul Verlaine, Charles Marie René Leconte de Lisle, and Ludwig Christoph Heinrich Hölty.

oliverwass.co.uk

## Thu 12 January 1.05pm £10, YF

# ENSEMBLE MIRAGE

War and Eternity

Matthew Scott CLARINET
Júlia Pusker VIOLIN
Ugnė Tiškutė VIOLA
Tatiana Chernyshova CELLO
Alexandra Vaduva PIANO

Shostakovich Piano Trio No. 2 in E minor Op. 67 Rawsthorne Clarinet Quartet Messiaen Quartet for the End of Time This concert explores works composed during and in the aftermath of WWII.

Both the Messiaen and Shostakovich were composed in the height of the war, the Rawsthorne (a rarely performed but powerful English work) in the aftermath when the memories and wounds of war were still fresh.

ensemblemirage.com

## Thu 19 January 7.30pm

£12 (£8), YF

## **FEBRUARY**



## **PALISANDER**

#### **Antidotum Arachne**

Merula Canzon 'La Lusignola'
Holborne The Night Watch \*
The Image of Melancholy
Vivaldi arr. Miriam Nerval
The Nightmare Concerto
Casulana Il Vostro Dipartir
Johnson The Temporiser
Dick Koomans The Jogger
Trad. Italian arr. Miriam Nerval
Tarantella Napoletana \*
Medicinal Tarantellas \*
Curative Tarantellas
Massaino Ego pro te rogavi Petre
Maki Ishii Black Intention IV
Byrd In Fields Abroad

Dowland The Frog Galliard • Lachrimae Pavan Micah Clarke Hollow Shout Kirchner Antidotum

16th and 17th-century victims of venomous spider bites were offered no medicinal cure or relief. Instead the local musicians would work together to find the correct melody, known as a 'tarantella', which could cure them of their otherwise fatal symptoms. Palisander explores a victim's ordeal through the numerous symptoms and side effects of a tarantula's bite.

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## Thu 16 February 7.30pm

£12 (£8), YF

**MARCH** 

## CHRISTINA MCMASTER

From Britten to America

String Orchestra Ligeti Quartet Pupils from The Hall School Jessica Cottis CONDUCTOR

Dowland arr. Joanna MacGregor Can she excuse ◆ Forlorn Hope Fancy • Mr Dowland's Midnight Sir Harrison Birtwistle Oockooing Bird Berio Gute Nacht Richard Bullen Scenes from a deserted jazz club ◆ New Work (world premiere) • Water from Elemental Songs and Dances Meredith Monk Ellis Island Marcel Bergmann Midnight Train Ayanna Witter-Johnson New Work (world premiere) Britten Reveille • Young Apollo Op. 16 Ives Unanswered Ouestion • The Alcotts Crawford Seeger Preludes No. 1 and No. 5 + Study of Mixed accents • Selection of folk tunes © Carlos Lumiere

An eclectic programme with premieres by British composers Richard Bullen and Ayanna Witter-Johnson, the latter of whom pays homage to one of her heroines in recognition of International Women's Day.

There will be a workshop day on Sat 4 February 2017 10.00am – 5.00pm, led by Christina McMaster Ayanna Witter-Johnson, Jessica Cottis, and Olivia Jageurs. All aspiring composers, song writers, conductors, non-musicians, and observers are welcome. Full details will be published online on Mon 5 December 2016.

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## Thu 2 March 7.30pm

£12 (£8), YF

## **MARCH**

## MINERVA PIANO TRIO

**Dance and Poetic Fantasy** 

Michał Ćwiżewicz VIOLIN Richard Birchall CELLO Annie Yim PIANO Patricia Okenwa CHOREOGRAPHER Dancers

Schumann Fantasiestücke Op. 88
Ravel transcr. Charlotte Bray
Scenes from Daphnis and Chloe
with dancers (world premiere)
Cheryl Frances-Hoad
My Fleeting Angel
Ravel Piano Trio in A minor

Inspired by dance and poetic fantasy, the Minerva Piano Trio present a newly commissioned piano trio transcription by Charlotte Bray of Ravel's Daphnis and Chloe, the legendary Ballets Russes commission, featuring dance choreography and supported by St John's Smith Square and MusicArt London.

minervapianotrio.com

**Thu 9 March 7.30pm** £12 (£8), YF







Annie Yim © Jamie Bake

## **APRIL**

## **PALISANDER**

Journey to the New World

Anon Salve Regina ◆ Pase El Agoa • Dindiridin • Surrexit Dominus Vere • Ave Regina Colerum Ortiz arr. Miriam Nerval Rececarda Seaunda de Cabezon Diferencias sobre 'La Dama Le Demanda' • Tiento del Seaundo Tono Dowland The Earle of Essex's Galliard Holborne As it Fell on a Holie Eve Coperario Fantasia Tallis Out from the Deep Vivaldi arr. Miriam Nerval La Tempesta di Mare Miriam Nerval Carnavalito • Taqui Susato arr. Miriam Nerval Payane De La Bataille **Byrd** A Feigned Friend **Bull** The Spanish Paven



Cutting arr. Miriam Nerval Walter Raleigh's Galliard Vaughan Williams Intrada from Suite for Pipes Franco Dios Italconantzine Dowland All People That On Earth Do Dwell

Inspired by the first voyages to the New World, this programme, whilst stemming from the Age of Exploration, is not restricted to a single time frame and features music spanning over 500 years: from Tallis to Vivaldi to Vaughan Williams.

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**Sun 2 April 3.00pm** £14 (£10), YF

Isaac Alla Battaalia

## FERIO SAXOPHONE QUARTET

**Best of British** 

Huw Wiggin SOPRANO SAX
Ellie McMurray ALTO SAX
Jose Bañuls TENOR SAX
Shevaughan Beere BARITONE SAX

Byrd Ave Verum Corpus Elgar Serenade for Strings Gavin Bryars Alaric I or II Gary Carpenter Une Semaine de Bonté

Michael Nyman arr. David Roach 4 movements from String Quartet No. 2 Will Gregory Hoe Down

This programme, which showcases works by prominent British composers, starts with Ave Verum Corpus by William Byrd before a new arrangement of Serenade for Strings by Edward Elgar. Originally composed in 1989 Alaric I or II



was scored for two sopranos, alto and baritone saxophones, a choice which mirrors the instrumentation and pitch ranges of the more familiar string quartet. Popular composers Gary Carpenter and Michael Nyman complete the programme before ending with *Hoe Down* by Goldfrapp keyboardist and producer Will Gregory.

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**Sun 23 April 3.00pm** £14 (£10), YF



# CHRISTINA MCMASTER

**Fantasies on Form** 

Kristine Balanas VIOLIN Margerita Balanas CELLO

Handel Trio Sonata in G minor HWV393 Arvo Pärt Musik für Kindertheater • Für Alina Schumann Piano Trio in A dynamic programme featuring composers Arvo Pärt and Robert Schumann – both composers have been strongly influenced by their past including by Handel, however they also had brilliant imaginations and created new sounds through their inventive and at times fantastical writing.

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Thu 4 May 1.05pm £10, YF

D minor Op. 63





## FERIO SAXOPHONE QUARTET

Huw Wiggin SOPRANO SAX
Ellie McMurray ALTO SAX
Jose Bañuls TENOR SAX
Shevaughan Beere BARITONE SAX
Timothy End PIANO

Rivier Grave et Presto Shostakovich arr. Ferio Saxophone Quartet Jazz Suite No. 1 Pedro Iturralde Memorias Ida Gotkovsky Quatour de Saxophones Guillermo Lago New Work • Cordoba, Sarajevo, and Addis Ababa from Ciudades This final concert from the Ferio Saxophone Quartet brings together original and contemporary works for saxophone quartet, and new arrangements of works for quartet and piano.

The quartet have had a long lasting relationship with composer Guillermo Lago and have commissioned him to write a new work played alongside his *Ciudades* for saxophone quartet.

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Thu 11 May 7.30pm £12 (£8), YF

## **OLIVER WASS**

## French Friends and Rivals Pelléas Ensemble & guests

Debussy Cello Sonata •
Danses Sacrée et Profane
Couperin Music for Solo Harp
Ravel Tombeau de Couperin •
Sonatine • Introduction et Allegro
Caplet Conte Fantastique
Jolivet Sonatine for Flute and
Clarinet

This concert explores the complex relationships, influences and rivalries between French composers over 300 years, from Couperin to Jolivet. The programme features two of the most famous and well-loved chamber works for the harp: Debussy's Danses and Ravel's Introduction et Allegro. These works were commissioned by rival harp companies to showcase their new instruments to the public.

oliverwass.co.uk



**Sun 21 May 3.00pm** £14 (£10), YF

## JUNE



## MINERVA PIANO TRIO

**Haunting Visions** 

Michał Ćwiżewicz VIOLIN Richard Birchall CELLO Annie Yim PIANO

Shostakovich Piano Trio in C minor Op. 8 Gavin Higgins The Ruins of Detroit Beethoven Piano Trio in D Op. 70 No. 1 'Ghost' From the foreboding sounds of Shostakovich's early piano trio to Gavin Higgins' *The Ruins of Detroit* inspired by the powerful photography of the eponymous artwork, this concert invites the listener to enter a visual world.

The slow movement of Beethoven's 'Ghost' Trio suggests Hamlet's ghost, an enduringly haunting vision.

minervapianotrio.com

## Thu 1 June 1.05pm

£10, YF

# ENSEMBLE MIRAGE

**Variations** 

Matthew Scott CLARINET
Júlia Pusker VIOLIN
Ugnė Tiškutė VIOLA
Tatiana Chernyshova CELLO
Alexandra Vaduva PIANO

Beethoven Trio in Bb Op. 11
Enescu Piano Quartet No. 2 in
D minor Op. 30
Bartók Contrasts Sz.111
Krzysztof Penderecki Clarinet
Quartet
Mussorgsky / Rimsky-Korsakov
transcr. Thomas Ang Night on

'Variations' embraces the core ideal of Ensemble Mirage as a flexi-ensemble; showcasing a whole breadth of works in different flexes alongside a new commission for the ensemble.

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the Bare Mountain





**Sun 11 June 3.00pm** 

£14 (£10), YF

## JUNE



## **PALISANDER**

#### **Recorder Revolution!**

Trad. Scottish arr. Ian Wilson Dandy Dancer and The Atholl Highlanders

King Henry VIII arr. Miriam Nerval The Kynges Ballad Anon Greensleeves to a Ground Van Eyck arr. Miriam Nerval Wat Zalmen op den Avond doen? Playford arr. Miriam Nerval Master William Kempe's Jigg Trad. Scottish arr. Miriam Nerval Lass of Pattie's Mill \* Bonny Jean

Purcell arr. Miriam Nerval Suite from The Fairy Queen Merula Canzon 'La Lusignuola' Walsh Selections from The Bird Fancyer's Delight

Agnes Dorwarth Articulator V



Did you know 3,500,000 plastic recorders are produced every year, and the earliest designs melted in direct sunlight? Or that King Henry VIII had over 70 recorders?

Palisander bring to life the recorder's rich history in this interactive concert featuring recorders 6 inches to 6 feet tall!

palisanderrecorders.com

## Thu 15 June 1.05pm

£10, YF

## **OLIVER WASS**

#### Dance

Scarlatti 3 Sonatas
Britten Suite for Harp
Prokofiev Prelude in C
Prokofiev transcr. Oliver Wass
Romeo and Juliet
Debussy Valse Romantique
Tarrega Recuerdos de la
Alhambra
Guridi Viejo Zortzico
Granados Spanish Dance No. 5
De Falla Spanish Dance No. 1
Posse Carnival of Venice

A programme of solo harp music that explores dance. From Baroque dances of the 17<sup>th</sup> century to the Spanish dances of Granados and De Falla.

Also including new transcriptions by Oliver Wass of Prokofiev's ballet music from Romeo and Juliet.

oliverwass.co.uk



## Thu 15 June 7.30pm

£12 (£8), YF

## **SUPPORT US**

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St John's Smith Square receives no public subsidy and so the generosity of our supporters is crucial to our success. Every generous donation is put towards sustaining St John's Smith Square, as ticket sales alone do not cover our costs.

As recognition, all our supporters receive ticket and restaurant discounts, priority booking, and are also amongst the first to find out about our exclusive events.

To become a supporter, please visit sjss.org.uk/support-us or phone our Box Office during office hours on 020 7222 1061.

#### ALL SUPPORTERS RECEIVE

- 10% off standard tickets booked in advance through our Box Office (two per event)
- · Season brochure
- An exclusive invitation to the Annual Friends Post-Concert Reception on Thu 15 June 2017
- Regular advance information about our concerts and events
- Other offers and promotions throughout the season

#### **FRIENDS**

## £45, or £40 annual direct debit, or only £3.75 monthly direct debit:

- 10 ticket vouchers to our Thursday Lunchtime Concerts
- 10% off food and drink (not applicable to guests)
- Priority booking 2 days ahead of the general public
- Reduced £1.50 booking fee

#### PATRONS

## £150, or £140 annual direct debit, or only £12.50 monthly direct debit:

- 2 tickets for every Thursday Lunchtime Concert concert
- 10% off food and drink (for Patron and I guest)
- Invitations to at least 4 exclusive post-concert 'Meet the Artists' receptions
- The opportunity to attend a post-concert dinner on Thu 16 February 2017 with Palisander and our Director
- Invitations to regular Breakfast at St John's events
- 1 complimentary programme for each Sunday at St John's concert
- Priority booking 7 days ahead of the general public
- No booking fee
- Best seat in the house/priority waiting list
- Credit of your generosity on our website and in our brochure

#### **BOOKING INFORMATION**

#### PHONE

#### 020 7222 1061

Monday to Saturday 10.00am-5.00pm £2 booking fee applies

### **ONLINE**

## sjss.org.uk

£1.50 booking fee applies

#### **IN PERSON**

## Monday to Saturday 10.00am-5.00pm

(until 6.00pm on public concert days). The Box Office opens one hour before the start of Sunday and Bank Holiday concerts.

#### **POST**

### Box Office, St John's Smith Square, London SWIP 3HA

Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope. Cheques should be made payable to St John's Smith Square.

#### **CONCESSIONS AND REDUCTIONS**

Available for many of our concerts to senior citizens, full-time students, registered unemployed, school children (under 16) and people who are registered disabled. Westminster CitySave card holders are entitled to a 10% discount on a pair of tickets for any public concert.

Parties of ten or more qualify for a 10% discount.

#### YOUNG FRIENDS SCHEME

FREE to everyone aged 30 or under!

Young Friends are entitled to purchase £5 tickets to concerts in our Thursday Lunchtime Concerts, Sunday at St John's series, and Young Artists' Series.

Our Young Friends also receive:

- £5 tickets for selected concerts
   these are marked 'YF' under
   ticket prices in our brochure
- Invitations to special events
- Young Friends newsletter
- Targeted discounts

Please call our Box Office to register or visit **sjss.org.uk/support-us** 

#### **ACCESSIBILITY**

If you have access requirements, please let our Box Office staff know when booking your tickets to help us provide you with the best possible service and choice of seats. We allocate an additional seat free of charge to disabled patrons who require a carer to accompany them.

#### Please Note

We may need to substitute artists and to vary our concert programmes from the published information without warning. Latecomers are admitted only at a suitable pause in the concert. Please note that tickets may not be refunded but may be exchanged up to 48 hours before the performance. Administration charges may apply in these circumstances.

### **YOUR VISIT**

St John's Smith Square is just off Millbank between Westminster and Lambeth Bridges, close to the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey, and a short walk from Westminster tube station.

#### **⊖** TUBE

Westminster, St James's Park & Victoria

#### → BUS

- 3 and 87 to Horseferry Road
- C10 and 507 (limited hours) to Millbank
- 88 to Horseferry Road
- 11, 211, 148 and 24 to Westminster Abbey

#### **№ SANTANDER CYCLES**

A docking station is located in Smith Square and there are also stations on Horseferry Road, Page Street and Great College Street.

#### P CAR PARKING

St John's Smith Square is within the congestion charging zone. Parking meters are in operation during the day Monday–Friday until 6.30pm. In the evenings and at weekends there are usually ample spaces locally. There is Westminster City Council car parking on Great College Street and Arneway Street.

#### **₹ RAIL**

Victoria, Waterloo, Vauxhall & Charing Cross



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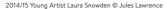
The closing date for applications is **Tuesday 31 January 2017**.

#### **AUDITIONS**

Auditions for next season's Young Artists' Series will take place on Monday 13 & Tuesday 14 March 2017.

Auditions are open for the public to observe, entirely free of charge. These will take place between 10.00am–1.00pm and 2.00pm–5.00pm on both days.

Should you have any further questions about our Young Artists' Scheme, please do give us a call on 020 7222 2168 during office hours (Mon–Fri 10.00am–5.00pm). We look forward to hearing from you!





2015/16 Young Artist Tabea Debus © Andreea Tufescu





2015/16 Young Artist Ligeti Quartet © Mike Massaro

### **FOOTSTOOL RESTAURANT**

#### EXPERIENCE FINE DINING

Nestled beneath the Hall under the vaulted ceiling of the crypt, the Footstool Restaurant is an elegant and cosy place to enjoy everything from a delicious snack or light meal, to a sumptuous lunch or dinner. All our food is freshly prepared by our talented chefs using locally-sourced, seasonal ingredients.

Indulge in fine loose leaf tea and homemade cake, choose from our enticing daily buffet menu, dine à la carte before a concert, or enjoy a glass of wine and a grazing board during the interval. Our friendly staff will be on hand, whatever you choose.

Legend has it the church was dubbed 'Queen Anne's Footstool' after architect Thomas Archer asked Queen Anne for her view on how it should look. Kicking over her footstool she replied "like that!" The four towers are said to mimic the upturned footstool. The restaurant keeps this charming nickname alive.

Avoid the rush by pre-ordering your interval drinks anytime up to 90min before the concert begins. We will ensure that your order is available for collection at a convenient location in the crypt.

The Footstool Restaurant takes à la carte reservations for lunchtime and evening service, buffet bookings for groups of ten or more, and caters for private events.

To book, or to find out more, call us on **020 7222 2779** or email **stjohns@leafi.co.uk** 



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### YOUNG ARTISTS

We are delighted to present our six new young artists for this season – Christina McMaster, Ensemble Mirage, Ferio Saxophone Quartet, Minerva Piano Trio, Oliver Wass, and Palisander.

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