

Derby Bach Choir is amongst the most highly acclaimed amateur choirs in the East Midlands and has a core membership of just under 100 singers.

As an auditioning Choir this keeps the standard of singing within the Choir very high. We have a strong tradition of singing with professional soloists and we also have similar high standards for our orchestral and keyboard accompanists.



Derby Bach Choir was formed early in 1959 by Wallace Ross, who was Master of Music at Derby Cathedral. He led the Choir for more than 30 years, until in 1991 the baton was passed to John York Skinner following his career as an internationally renowned counter-tenor.

Richard Roddis, one of the finest choral conductors in the Midlands, became our Musical Director in 1999 and has since then conducted all of our major concerts.

As might be expected Derby Bach Choir has a focus on Bach, but under Richard Roddis we have continued to expand our repertoire, performing many other great works. Recent concerts have spanned a range of choral works from Monteverdi to Jonathan Dove.



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JOIN US

We are always enthusiastic to welcome new members where we have spaces in sections.

We rehearse in Derby during the school term time on Wednesdays 7.30 - 9.30pm.

Limited scholarships/reduced memberships are available for students and those under 25.

If you are interested in joining us please contact our Choir Secretary at secretary@derbybachchoir.com

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2023 - 2024

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Patron: Viscountess Scarsdale
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Great Works*

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Registered Charity Number: 251883

Remembrance Day Concert
FAURE Requiem
JONATHAN DOVE
For an Unknown Soldier

Saturday 11th November 2023 at 7:30pm

Derby Cathedral, DE1 3GP

Conductor: **Richard Roddis**
Soloists: **Nathan Vale, Matt Jordan**
The Choristers of Derby Cathedral
Derby Bach Orchestra
Leader: **Derek Williams**

Fauré's ever-popular Requiem is paired with a major work by the hugely successful contemporary composer Jonathan Dove. This work is extremely powerful, with a range of profound texts. It has much to say to today's audience by invoking past wartimes during an international situation which threatens even more devastating outcomes.

Tickets: £24 - £10, accompanied under 16s free

Come and Sing with Us
HANDEL Messiah
(excerpts)

Saturday 25th November 2023

Registration 10:30; Performance 3pm
St. George's Church, Ticknall, DE73 7JU

An informal morning & afternoon of rehearsing and performing Handel's choral masterpiece.

Conductor: **James Foulds**
Organist: **Tom Corfield**

Registration fee for singers: £15
Tickets: £5 for audience, available on the door

Spring Concert
BACH
ST JOHN PASSION

Saturday 23rd March 2024 at 7:30pm

Derby Cathedral, DE1 3GP

Conductor: **Richard Roddis**
The Baroque Ensemble,
Leader: **Nicolette Moonen**
Evangelist: **James Oxley**
Soloists: **Zoe Blackshaw, William Purefoy**

Following the outstanding performance of the St Matthew Passion in 2023, we turn to the other great Passion by Bach. Equally dramatic, emotional and uplifting, This promises to be every bit as special, featuring the same outstanding line-up of soloists and baroque players.

Tickets: £24(reserved centre nave),
£16 (unreserved inner side aisle),
£10 (outer side aisle –restricted view),
accompanied under 16s free

Come and Sing with Us
MOZART
Mass in C & Solemn Vespers

Saturday 11th May 2024 at 1:30pm
(see website for details)

St. George's Church, Ticknall, DE73 7JU

Conductor: **James Foulds**
Organist: **Tom Corfield**

An informal afternoon & evening of rehearsing and performing two of Mozart's greatest short choral works.

Registration fee for singers: £25
(includes supper for performers)
Tickets: £5 for audience, available on the door

Summer Concert
HAYDN & PARRY

Saturday 15th June 2024 at 7:30pm

St John the Evangelist Church, Mill Street, DE1 3HZ

Joseph Haydn's most popular Nelson Mass is paired with another choral favourite, Blest Pair of Sirens by Sir Hubert Parry.

Conductor: **Richard Roddis**
Organist: **Tom Corfield**

Tickets: £15 (unreserved), accompanied under 16s free
Includes refreshments

TICKETS

Tickets can be purchased at the venues, but to avoid disappointment please buy in advance:

Online: www.derbybachchoir.com, livetickets.org
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