

### WHITEHALL CHOIR



## STRAVINSKY Symphony of Psalms (UK premiere of this two-piano arrangement)

# DYSON The Blacksmiths PARRY Lord, let me know mine end (Songs of Farewell)

BAX Moy Mell (two pianos)



#### The Banqueting House, Monday 11 July 2011, 7pm

Tickets (including dinner after the concert) £28, from The Banqueting House, Whitehall, London SW1A 2ER, 020 3166 6153 (box office), www.hrp.org.uk/banquetinghouse, or email: info@whitehallchoir.org.uk. Also available on the door, from 6.15pm.

The Whitehall Choir's high standards are reflected not just in the wonderful sound it creates in several concerts a year but also in the number of new singers wishing to join. Members share a strong commitment to the choir. In addition to weekly rehearsals (Tuesday evenings in the Victoria area during the academic year), there are occasional tours abroad, singing workshops and Come and Sing events. The choir, in its 68th season, is a friendly group, which it prizes as highly as singing sensitively and accurately. New members in all voice parts are welcome. Admission is by a short audition, usually after three or four rehearsals. Visit www.whitehallchoir.org.uk, or call Richard Grafen on 020 7215 5323 (daytime). Also find us on Facebook. Whitehall Choir is a registered charity, no. 280478. Photograph (overleaf) of the Whitehall Choir at The Banqueting House by Ken Mears.

#### **FUTURE CHOIR EVENTS**

COME AND SING Haydn's Creation with the Whitehall Choir Saturday, 8 October Church of the Holy Spirit, Narbonne Avenue, Clapham, SW4. Join members of the Whitehall Choir in an enjoyable day's singing of the choruses from this popular choral work.

Thursday, 24 November St Alban the Martyr, Holborn, London EC1N 7RD TALLIS O nata lux • BYRD Haec Dies • TOMKINS When David Heard WEELKES Alleluia • GIBBONS O clap your hands TAVENER Mother of God • WHITACRE When David Heard

Friday, 23 March 2012 St John's, Smith Square, London SW1P 3HA
HANDEL Israel in Egypt

#### **BECOME A FRIEND**

Friends and Patrons of the Whitehall Choir are a vital part of our future. They help fund not only our regular concerts but also additional activities such as workshops and tours. For a payment at the start of the season, Friends receive one top-price ticket for each of the three main concerts, plus 10% discount on any further tickets they require. You also get notification of concerts, events and a free programme – perfect for regular concert attenders, who will save overall on the whole season. For further details please see the 'Support Us' page at www.whitehallchoir.org.uk.

#### **PAUL SPICER**

Paul began his musical training as a chorister at New College, Oxford. He studied with Herbert Howells and Richard Popplewell (organ) at the Royal College of Music in London, winning the Walford Davies Organ Prize in his final year. This is Paul's 11th season with the Whitehall Choir; he also conducts the Birmingham Bach Choir and the chamber choirs at the Birmingham Conservatoire where, in addition to Oxford University, he teaches choral conducting. He founded the Finzi Singers in 1984 with whom he made 15 CDs for Chandos. Paul is in great demand, too, as a recording producer and as a composer. He has just finished a major biography and study of works of Sir George Dyson and is about to begin a commission for a choral symphony commemorating the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War in 2014. Visit paulspicer.com for more information.

You can watch Paul Spicer talking about this concert at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f6G9vXl9Ucw

#### longfordbrown piano duo

The longfordbrown piano duo was formed in 2002 when James Longford and Lindy Tennent-Brown met as Junior Fellows at the Royal College of Music. They are laureates of several major international competitions, winning Third Prize in the 14th International Schubert Competition in the Czech Republic in 2005, Second Prize and the Rachmaninov Award in the 2007 IBLA Grand Prize in Sicily and, most recently, performing as semi-finalists in the Murray Dranoff International Two-Piano Competition in Miami, Florida – placing them in the top five piano duos worldwide. Visit www.longfordbrown.com.