

BACH MASS in B MINOR

Conductor PAUL SPICER

Alice Rose Privett (soprano) Anna Harvey (mezzo-soprano) Bradley Smith (tenor) Božidar Smiljanić (bass-baritone)

Thursday, 28 March, 7.30pm St John's Smith Square London SW1P3HA

TICKETS £22.50, £18, £15, £10, from the St John's Smith Square Box Office, 020 7222 1061, www.sjss.org.uk. Also available through the Choir. Further booking and Smith Square Café and Restaurant details overleaf.

The Whitehall Choir is celebrating its 70th anniversary this season, which is being marked by special events and concerts. Under its Musical Director, the distinguished conductor Paul Spicer, the Choir aspires to the highest standards of performance in all its concerts. Members share a strong commitment to the Choir and, besides attending weekly rehearsals on Tuesday evenings in the academic year at St Stephen's, Rochester Row, they take part in occasional tours abroad, vocal workshops and Come & Sing events. The Choir is a friendly group and new members in all voice parts are welcome. Admission is by a short audition, usually after two or three rehearsals. For more details about the Choir, visit the website www.whitehallchoir.org.uk, follow Whitehall Choir on Facebook, or email joinus@whitehallchoir.org.uk. Whitehall Choir is a registered charity, no: 280478.

Other Whitehall Choir Concerts and Events This Season

Saturday, 18 May 2013, 10.30am to 6.30pm

Verdi Requiem Come & Sing Day with the Whitehall Orchestra
St Sepulchre-without-Newgate, London EC1A 2DQ

(All welcome to sing or listen. Watch choir website for details)

Monday, 1 July 2013, 7pm
Gloriana – British secular music, including Choral Dances
from Benjamin Britten's opera Gloriana, to celebrate
the 60th anniversary of the coronation of the Queen
The Banqueting House, Whitehall, London SW1A 2ER

Friday, 15 November 2013, 7pm, Handel Jephtha St John's Smith Square, London SW1P 3HA

Tuesday, 10 December 2013, 7.30pm, Christmas Music and Readings St Stephen's, Rochester Row, London SW1P 1LE

Paul Spicer 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 13th season with the Whitehall Choir; he also conducts the Birmingham Bach Choir and the chamber choirs of Birmingham Conservatoire, where he teaches choral conducting as he does also at Oxford University. In 1984 he founded the Finzi Singers with whom he made 15 CDs for Chandos. Paul is in great demand, too, as a recording producer and as a composer. He recently finished a major biography and study of the works of Sir George Dyson; and December sees the world premiere at Lichfield Cathedral of his latest opus, a choral symphony commemorating the centenary of the First World War. Visit www.paulspicer.com for more information.

St John's Smith Square, London SW1P 3HA. Tickets: online: www.sjss.org.uk; telephone: 020 7222 1061; by post: please enclose SAE. Mastercard and Visa accepted. Booking fees: by phone £2 per transaction (£1.50 to Friends of St John's); online £1.50 per transaction. Advance booking: the Box Office is open for advance bookings from 10am to 5pm weekdays. The Smith Square Café and Restaurant in the Crypt is open from 5.30pm (telephone: 020 7222 2779). St John's Smith Square, London SW1. St John's Smith Square Charitable Trust, registered charity no: 1045390. Registered in England. Company no: 3028678.

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