

Mirror of Perfection

Richard Blackford

Coronation Mass in C

Mozart



Whitehall Choir : Brandenburg Sinfonia : Paul Spicer

Eve Daniell : Soprano

Olivia Warburton : Mezzo Soprano

William Blake : Tenor

Henry Neill : Baritone

Tuesday 22 November 2016, 7.30pm

St John's Smith Square, SW1P 3HA

Tickets £25, £22.50, £18, £10 from the St John's Smith Square
Box office, 020 7222 1061, www.sjss.org.uk or available through the Choir.
Further booking and The Footstool Restaurant details overleaf.

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The Whitehall Choir performs an imaginative concert with the Brandenburg Sinfonia and four rising star soloists. Mozart wrote eighteen Mass settings of which this and the unfinished 'Great' C minor are amongst his finest. By way of complimenting the Mass the strings of the Brandenburg Sinfonia will play Mozart's wonderfully light-hearted Divertimento in F. Richard Blackford's (b1954) Mirror of Perfection was written in 1995. Visiting Assisi that year he was deeply moved and affected by what he learned about St. Francis. The most telling point for Blackford was how the Saint 'stripped away everything superfluous'. This inspired him to compose this work with the same ethic. Thus the music eschews the complexities of much contemporary music and focuses on the clarity of text and time honoured polyphonic writing.



Whitehall Choir



Under its Musical Director, Paul Spicer, the Whitehall Choir, now in its 73rd season, aspires to the highest standards of performance in all its concerts. Members share a strong commitment and, besides attending weekly rehearsals on Tuesday evenings during the academic year in central London, take part in recordings, occasional tours abroad and choral workshops. We are currently interested in finding committed singers in all voice parts. Please go to www.whitehallchoir.org.uk for details. Whitehall Choir is a registered charity, number 280478.



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