



Sacconi Quartet

String Quartet

Sample Programmes

"An exceptional ensemble... a unanimous sense of musical breath and a meticulous attention to detail." Musical Opinion

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Ben Hancox and Hannah Dawson *violins*

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String Quartet Repertoire

Death and the Maiden

Haydn: String Quartet in C major, Op. 76 No. 3 'Emperor'

Mozart: String Quartet in G major, K. 387

Schubert: String Quartet No. 14 in D minor, 'Death and the Maiden'

Debussy 100th Anniversary

Suk: Meditation on the Old Czech Hymn 'St Wenceslas', Op. 35a

Debussy: String Quartet in G minor, Op. 10

Beethoven: String Quartet in C# minor, Op. 131

Glass @ 80 / Adams @ 70

Glass: String Quartet No. 2 'Company'

Reich: Triple Quartet (for quartet and tape)

Adams: John's Book of Alleged Dances (for quartet and tape)

Additional repertoire

Korngold: String Quartet No. 3 in D major, Op. 34

Dove: String Quartet 'Out of Time'

Huw Watkins: String Quartet

Dvořák: String Quartet No.13, Op. 106

Festival Programmes

These can be performed together as a concert or spread over the course of a festival.

Sample Programme 1: Jonathan Dove

With Mark Padmore (tenor) and Charles Owen (piano)

Dove: String Quartet 'Out of Time'

Dove: *In Damascus* for Tenor and String Quartet (a special commission by the Sacconi Quartet and Mark Padmore, set to the words of Syrian poet Ali Safar's 'A Black Cloud in a Leaden White Sky', which sensitively recounts the stories of everyday life in a war-torn city.)

Dove: Piano Quintet

Sample Programme 2: Graham Fitkin

The Sacconi Quartet honour some of the UK's most diverse composer's works for string quartet:

Fitkin: Servant

Fitkin: Inside

Fitkin: String

Fitkin: Pawn

Sample Programme 3: Gwilym Simcock

Simcock: String Quartet

Simcock: Piano Quintet (with Gwilym Simcock, piano)

Simcock: Solo piano repertoire

Alternative Programmes

Beethoven 131 in the Dark

Beethoven: String Quartet No. 14 in C sharp minor, Op. 131 from memory and in the dark

HEARTFELT

An immersive, personal performance combining robotics, lighting and music in a radical re-interpretation of this iconic Beethoven quartet.

Beethoven: String Quartet in A minor, Op. 132

www.heartfelt.org.uk

Juliet Letters

A revival of the rarely performed Juliet Letters, composed and toured by the Brodsky Quartet, with folk singer Jon Boden (ex-frontman of Bellowhead).

Costello & Brodsky Quartet: The Juliet Letters

Death's Cabaret: A Love Story

A ground-breaking new kind of concerto - a cabaret concerto - commissioned for outstanding cellist, baritone and story-teller **Matthew Sharp** with the Sacconi Quartet from celebrated composer Stephen Deazley and award-winning writer Martin Riley.

Re:Focus

A unique dedication, written by Tim Garland, to the cult hit of 1961, 'Focus', feat. Stan Getz and composer Eddie Sauter, combining jazz improvisation with mixed strings. Featuring virtuoso musicians **Tim Garland** (saxophone), **Asaf Sirkis** (percussion), **Yuri Goloubev** (bass) and **Thomas Gould** (violin). Premiered at the EFG London Jazz Festival at Wigmore Hall, November 2016.

Collaborations

String Quintets: Brahms, Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert

Piano Quintets (with Charles Owen): Dvořák, Brahms, Schumann, Elgar, Franck, Shostakovich, Dove

Clarinet Quintets: Brahms, Mozart, Bliss, Weber, Glazunov, Bowen, Howells

Tenor and String Quartet (with Roderick Williams): Finzi By Footpath and Stile and John McCabe Silver Nocturnes

String Sextets (with Garfield Jackson & David Waterman): Brahms and Strauss

Octets (with Wihan Quartet): Shostakovich, Enescu and Mendelssohn

Schubert: Trout Quintet D. 667

Beethoven: Septet in E flat major, Op. 20

Schubert: Octet in F, D. 803

Masterclasses

The Sacconi Quartet offer a range of masterclasses, along with education and outreach work, as part of festival residencies.

Recent masterclasses: Salisbury Festival (May 2015), Lichfield Festival (July 2015)