

FESTIVAL INFORMATION

FOOD AND ACCOMMODATION

Festival Suppers in the Festival Marquee

Two course buffet suppers will be served from **5.45pm from 10-16 August** by the chefs and staff from **Back To Your Place, Byfords**, the well-known local caterer based in Holt. SUPPERS MUST BE PREBOOKED. **£40 per head**.

The buffet, which will be served by staff, will include a selection of fish, meat and vegetarian dishes with salads, bread, olive oil for dipping and olives followed by a choice of two desserts. As many audience members like to dine at the Festival more than once, dishes will change daily. Dietary requirements and details of any allergies must be given at the time of booking.

The Ostrich Inn in South Creake is within walking distance of St Mary's www.theostrichinn.co.uk

Sculthorpe Mill is a few miles away on the River Wensum www.sculthorpemill.uk

Several hotels in East Anglian group are conveniently located for South Creake - www.chestnutgroup.co.uk

For general information on north Norfolk go to www.visitnorthnorfolk.com

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FESTIVAL BAR

Our friendly and expertly managed Festival Bar will be available each evening from 5pm and during the interval of the evening concerts. A selection of wines, available by the glass or bottle, has been carefully selected by the NNMF Directors! Locally brewed beers from The Real Ale Shop at Holkham and a range of soft drinks will also be available.

BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC

The audience may picnic in the church yard by kind permission of the Vicar and the churchwardens. You may bring your own wine but you can also buy wines from our Festival Bar – this helps toward the costs of hiring the marquee every year!

TOILETS

Toilets are provided in the churchyard by NNMF

CAR PARKING

On-road parking near the church is strictly limited so we provide a large car park next to the church thanks to an agreement with the friendly farmer, Ben Sexton. There is limited parking for disabled members of the audience (please do book your space with us in advance) who can access the church via the Chancel entrance.

Volunteers from the church will be on hand to provide assistance.

SEATING AT THE CONCERTS

Seating is unreserved (Concert Supporters have allocated seats) and cushions are available to hire from the church on arrival at $\pounds 1$ per cushion. This raises funds for St Mary's and is additional income to the donation made by NNMF, which in 2023 amounted to $\pounds 3,300$.

PROGRAMMES

Programmes to all the concerts are provided free thanks to a donation from a long-standing Friend of the Festival.

HOUGHTON HALL

Houghton Hall is the seat of the Marquess of Cholmondeley and one of the most important houses in the region. The outdoor summer exhibitions have become an annual highlight in the area. This year the focus is on two artists - Antony Gormley and Dame Magdalene Odundo. www.houghtonhall.com

THE 20th NORTH NORFOLK MUSIC FESTIVAL will be held 6–16 August 2025! We celebrate our 20th anniversary with a special Festival, marking the occasion in style with concerts by many of the musicians who have made NNMF the much-loved Festival that it is. **Put the dates in your diary now!**

JOIN THE FRIENDS OF NNMF

FROM £50 PER YEAR FOR UP TO TWO PEOPLE Membership fees are vital to keep our festival running!

THE 19TH NORTH NORFOLK MUSIC FESTIVAL



9 – 16 AUGUST 2024 CHURCH OF OUR LADY ST MARY, SOUTH CREAKE

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Friday 9 August 5.30pm

Gala Concert to open the 19th NNMF 12 ENSEMBLE & MARY BEVAN soprano

The 12 Ensemble, expanded to 15 for this special concert, are returning to NNMF to perform Vaughan Williams' richly-textured Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis, a late Beethoven slow movement from Op.132 string quartet, and Dowland's Lachrimae Antiquae (arr. Ruisi). Distinguished soprano, Mary Bevan, will join the Ensemble for Benjamin Britten's song cycle Les Illuminations, his magnificent, colourful setting of poems by Arthur Rimbaud.

Friday 9 August 7.30pm - Friends of NNMF Party

Join us as our guest for post-concert drinks and canapés in the Festival Marguee after the Gala Concert.

Our annual party for The Friends provides a chance for everyone to get together. This is free for Friends but places MUST be booked in advance. If you are not already a member, see our website for details on how to join.

SIMON LEPPER piano

Saturday 10 August 7pm



Tickets £30

James Newby

Simon Lepper

JAMES NEWBY baritone

James Newby returns to NNMF with a wide ranging and inventive programme built around kings and gueens called 'A Royal Recital,' made up of songs by Schubert, Schumann, Elgar, Purcell and others. This season James will sing the title role in Eugene Onegin at the Staatsoper, Hannover, Demetrius in A Midsummer Night's Dream at Garsington Opera and will give a recital in the Mahler Festival at the Concertgebouw in Amsterdam.

Sunday 11 August 4.30pm

KLEIO STRING QUARTET

We are delighted to welcome the Kleio Quartet for their NNMF debut. They were winners of the Carl Nielsen International Chamber Music Competition in 2023 and were recently a quartet in residence at Snape Maltings. In the first of their two concerts they will play Britten's 3 Divertimenti, Simon Rowland-Jones' 6 Miniatures (première), and Dvořák's tuneful String Quartet in G, Op.106.

Sunday 11 August 7pm

EMANUIL IVANOV piano

The brilliant young Bulgarian pianist, Emanuil Ivanov, is launched on an impressive international performing career since winning the 2019 Busoni Competition. Emanuil has recently made extensive tours in Bulgaria, South Africa, Japan and Italy. We will hear him play works by Beethoven, Shostakovich, Etudes by Canadian virtuoso pianist Marc-André Hamelin, as well as Rachmaninov's Etudes Tableaux.

Monday 12 August 7pm **KLEIO STRING QUARTET, BARTHOLOMEW LAFOLETTE cello** SIMON ROWLAND-JONES viola

For their second concert at the 19th NNMF the Kleio Quartet will play Schubert's Quintet in C, D.956 together with cellist, Bartholomew Lafolette, already familiar to NNMF audiences from two previous appearances. The second part of the concert will be entirely devoted to Brahms' magisterial Sextet in G major, Op.36, when they will be joined by violist and Joint Festival Director, Simon Rowland-Jones.

Tuesday 13 August 4.30pm WILL DUERDEN double bass

SVITLANA KOSENKO piano

Will studied at the Yehudi Menuhin School and is currently completing his MA at the Royal College of Music with Caroline Emery and Rodrigo Moro Martin. Last year he was selected by Young Classical Artists' Trust (YCAT) as one of their new artists. The programme will include romantic pieces by Russian composer Glière, Hertl, Boulanger and a new work by Simon Rowland-Jones.

Tuesday 13 August 7pm



Tickets £20



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Wednesday 14 August 7pm **DANIEL LEBHARDT** piano

Hungarian pianist Daniel Lebhardt is already a favourite of NNMF audiences from his two previous magnificent recitals. The New York Times noted that he played with "power, poetry and formidable technique." He has a busy international career as soloist and chamber musician, and we will hear him in both those roles at this year's NNMF. He will be playing works by Liszt, and by Clara and Robert Schumann.



Thursday 15 August 4.30pm **CASTALIAN STRING QUARTET**

Stalwarts of NNMF, the wonderful Castalian String Quartet are back for two concerts this year. They begin with an all-quartet programme made up of three of the most outstanding works of the string quartet repertoire: Beethoven String Quartet in F minor, Op.95 'Serioso', Janacek No.1 'Kreutzer Sonata', Haydn Quartet in B flat, Op.76 No.4 'Sunrise.'

Thursday 15 August 7pm **MITHRAS TRIO**

The Mithras Trio are making their second foray to the Festival having already delighted audiences at our Winter Series, Wells Maltings. Established in 2017 they won first prize at the 10th Trondheim Chamber Music Competition and were BBC Radio 3 New Generation Artists for the 2021-2023 seasons. They will play Haydn's E Flat Trio, Schoenberg's early romantic work Verklärte Nacht (arr. by Eduard Steuermann) and Schubert's iconic Piano Trio in B flat



Friday 16 August 4.30pm LAURA LOLITA PEREŠIVANA soprano

WILLIAM VANN piano

The Latvian soprano joined the prestigious Academy at La Scala, Milan this season and has already made her debut there in Verdi's Simon Boccanegra. She was asked to cover the role of Magda in La rondine within days of her arrival in a new production - clearly La Scala loves Laura as much as we do!

Songs by William Walton, Rossini, Duparc, Flanders and Swann, Stephen Sondheim, and arias from Manon by Massenet and La rondine by Puccini, and Quattro canzoni popolari by Luciano Berio.

CASTALIAN STRING QUARTET, DANIEL LEBHARDT piano WILL DUERDEN double bass

We seized the opportunity of bringing together several of our 2024 'artists in residence' in order to end the 19th NNMF with our first ever performance of Schubert's Trout Quintet. Also included in the programme are one of Haydn's most joyful masterpieces, Op.20 No.6 in A, and Bartók's 5th guartet, noted for its extraordinary stylistic variety and phenomenal energy.





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