

## RECENT REVIEWS

"a truly memorable performance."

"an orchestra more than willing to take risks in the interests of fire and commitment."

"No wonder the applause was thunderous."

"The audience reaction was immediate and sustained, foot-stamping included. Again these fine players had given a cornerstone performance of a cornerstone work."

David Smart

All our reviews are posted on the orchestral website:  
[www.scarborough-orchestra.co.uk](http://www.scarborough-orchestra.co.uk)

## SPONSORSHIP

The Scarborough Symphony Orchestra depends on the generous donations of its Friends and Sponsors for the continuation of its existence. As with many amateur orchestras, we are barely scraping through financially and we would wholeheartedly welcome additional sponsorship. Donations can be any size!

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## SCARBOROUGH SPA COMPLEX

The Scarborough Symphony Orchestra is excited to embark on a new association with the Spa Complex. The move from Scarborough College was deemed necessary in order to provide the additional space required for our growing audiences and more professional facilities for our patrons.

Scarborough Spa Complex is located in Scarborough's picturesque South Bay and is one of the most prestigious venues for conferences, exhibitions, entertainment and events on the Yorkshire Coast. The venue is easy to find and is signposted from all directions. The address is: Scarborough Spa Complex, South Bay, Scarborough, North Yorkshire YO11 2HD.



### PARKING

There is limited parking outside the venue (1) and along the approach road, but there is also an underground car park a short walk away (2) - sometimes closed in winter. Free parking is available above the Spa along the Esplanade (3) and adjoining streets. You can then either walk to the Spa down a steep path or, if you are feeling less energetic, use the cliff lift, which should be running on every concert day.

Disabled visitors should telephone the Spa in advance to arrange on-site parking: 01723 376774.

### TICKETS:

#### Individual ticket prices:

Full price £7

Concessions: £6

Students/children: free

A **GOLDEN TICKET\*** for the whole season will save you up to 25%.

Tickets are available from the Spa Box Office (01723 357869) and Scarborough Tourist Information Centre (01723 383636).

**\*GOLDEN TICKETS** are available by post only (see over for details & booking form).

### TIMES:

Concerts begin at 7.30pm and end by approximately 9.30pm. Doors and box office are open from 6.45pm.

Please arrive as early as possible to ensure a good seat.

### PRE-CONCERT TALKS:

*New!*

Frank James will be giving short, entertaining and informative talks to introduce each of the five concerts this season. These will commence at 6.45pm in the Vitadome Lounge (except for July 19th - in the Regency Room) and should finish by about 7.10pm. *Entrance with concert ticket only.*

### JOINING:

New members are very welcome, especially string players. Woodwind, brass and percussion players should enquire first to see if there are any vacancies. For more details, contact: 01751 431879.

### MAILING LIST:

If you would like your details to be added to our mailing list, please send your name and address to: SSO Mailing List, 61 West End, Kirkbymoorside, York YO62 6AD.

### INFORMATION:

Details of all the information contained within this brochure are also to be found on our website: [www.scarborough-orchestra.co.uk](http://www.scarborough-orchestra.co.uk)

# SCARBOROUGH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Patron Lady Ayckbourn  
Conductor Shaun Matthew

## 58<sup>th</sup> Concert Season 2007/2008



## A few words from the conductor...

A very warm welcome to the exciting new musical journey which is the Scarborough Symphony Orchestra's 58th Season! I had such a wonderful welcome from you all when I took over from Geoffrey Emerson two seasons ago, and have had a consistently warm response ever since, so it gives me great pleasure to take the orchestra forward for another year.

We are excited to be welcoming some world-class soloists to Scarborough, notably the trumpeter Mark Bennett and the trombonist Robert Holliday. Liz Rossi comes to us from the Hallé Orchestra, and Miranda Sinani is a huge young talent from Albania. Frank Hardy will help us finish the season in style with Shostakovich's *Piano Concerto No.2* as part of a rip-roaring finale of music from the movies.

With something for everyone and every mood I hope you that you will all enjoy this new season as much as I shall!

Shaun Matthew



## LITERARY INSPIRATIONS

Saturday 3rd NOVEMBER, 2007 ~ 7.30pm

Spa Grand Hall, South Bay, Scarborough

Liz Rossi *violin*

|                                   |              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Academic Festival <i>overture</i> | BRAHMS       |
| Violin Concerto in E minor        | MENDELSSOHN  |
| Symphony No.5                     | SHOSTAKOVICH |

This Brahms overture, full of genial high spirits and using jolly German student songs, is scored for the largest orchestra Brahms ever wrote for.

We welcome Liz Rossi from the Hallé Orchestra to perform Mendelssohn's ever-fresh *E minor Violin Concerto*. The virtuoso passages provide ample opportunity for a talented player to display technique, whilst the lyricism of the piece will reveal the performer's deeper interpretative talents. Dmitri Shostakovich's *Symphony No.5 in D minor* is one of his most popular works. Supposedly written as a response to criticism of his *Symphony No.4* and the opera *Lady Macbeth of Mtsensk*, it is said to be one of his most enigmatic works.

## LET VOICES SING TO THE HEAVENS

SUNDAY 16th DECEMBER, 2007 ~ 7.30pm

Spa Grand Hall, South Bay, Scarborough

Miranda Sinani *soprano*

Scarborough Choral Society & The Staxton Singers

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|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Te Deum                         | HAYDN        |
| Dance of the Blessed Spirits    | GLUCK        |
| Lieder eines fahrenden Gesellen | MAHLER       |
| Variations on a Christmas Carol | BRITTEN      |
| The Tender Land <i>Suite</i>    | COPLAND      |
| Christmas Carols                | arr. EMERSON |

For our Christmas concert we welcome the Scarborough Choral Society and the Staxton Singers. They join us for Haydn's rousing *Te Deum*, some carols and Copland's suite from his opera, *The Tender Land*.

We are delighted to welcome Miranda Sinani, the Frederick Cox and Kathleen Ferrier prize-winner, to sing Mahler's *Lieder eines fahrenden Gesellen*. To maintain the balance between serious and jovial, Britten's witty *Men of Goodwill* and Gluck's *Dance of the Blessed Spirits* will complete the concert.

## MASTERS OF STRUCTURE

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Saturday 1st MARCH, 2008 ~ 7.30pm

Spa Grand Hall, South Bay, Scarborough

Robert Holliday *trombone*

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| Symphony No.8 ' <i>Unfinished</i> ' | SCHUBERT |
| Concerto for Trombone               | GRONDAHL |
| Symphony No.5                       | SIBELIUS |

Schubert's '*Unfinished*' *Symphony* has held a fascination for the public ever since its belated premiere in 1865. The work is full of despair, longing and a sense of foreboding. We welcome the trombonist Robert Holliday from the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra. He will perform Grondahl's concerto, a classic of the trombone repertoire; it promises to be a performance not to be missed. Finishing the concert is Sibelius's evergreen *Symphony No.5*, full of the sounds of his native Finland.

## MEMORIES OF SPRING

Saturday 17th MAY, 2008 ~ 7.30pm

Spa Grand Hall, South Bay, Scarborough

Mark Bennett *trumpet*

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| Siegfried Idyll                 | WAGNER   |
| Concerto in modo antico         | PANUFNIK |
| Symphony No.1 ' <i>Spring</i> ' | SCHUMANN |

Wagner's ever-popular *Siegfried Idyll* opens our 'Memories of Spring' concert. It was written as a love poem and as a thanksgiving to his wife, Cosima, for the birth of their son, Siegfried. It was first performed on the stairs of the Wagner household on Christmas morning, Cosima's 33rd birthday. The renowned trumpeter, Mark Bennett, joins us for Panufnik's *Concerto in modo antico*. A little-known work, it was adapted from a film score written a few years earlier. Based mainly on old Polish tunes, it is charming in its simplicity.

Schumann's uplifting *Spring* symphony closes this concert. It was written in the depths of winter and was inspired by poetry. The whole work exhales the fresh, crisp, exhilarating and yet balmy, breath of springtime. It is full of love and merriment, and perfectly titled.

## MOMENTS FROM THE BIG SCREEN

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Saturday 19th JULY, 2008 ~ 7.30pm

Spa Grand Hall, South Bay, Scarborough

Frank Hardy *piano*

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| Piano Concerto No.2 in F               | SHOSTAKOVICH |
| <i>plus a selection of film music,</i> |              |
| <i>including (if possible):</i>        |              |

Lord of the Rings, Pirates of the Caribbean, A Bridge Too Far, The Mission, Indiana Jones, Star Wars

This season's last concert is a celebration of music from the silver screen. We hope to include music from many of your favourite blockbusters.

We will also welcome the pianist Frank Hardy to perform Shostakovich's virtuosic *Piano Concerto No.2*. This concert promises to be a real treat for adults and children alike.

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*and make a difference to our future!*

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- You may attend and vote at the AGM.
- You will be invited to all orchestral social functions.

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