The Guildhall Singers:

The Guildhall Singers is a dynamic chamber choir based in West Norfolk, dedicated to bringing choral music to life with warmth, clarity and expressive artistry. Formed in 2019 by Helen Herbert and a group of experienced local singers, the ensemble was born from a desire to explore music especially suited to a smaller, more agile vocal group, one that values intimacy, precision and diversity in programming. From sacred Renaissance motets and English part songs to jazz standards and modern folk-inspired works, their repertoire spans centuries, genres and moods, always chosen for its emotional resonance and musical richness. "We are curious, collaborative, and committed to craft. We honour tradition while embracing innovation, always aiming to create intimate musical moments that resonate deeply."

The Guildhall Singers have performed at notable events and venues across the region, including projects for the Shakespeare's Guildhall Trust, the Mayor's Trust, True's Yard, and a special performance alongside UK jazz legend Norma Winstone.

Soprano: Ena Burgess, Helen Herbert, Ana Joyette, Sarah Treble,

Janet Walker

Alto: Susan Benstead, Zoë Callender, Emily Hague,

Clare Howard-Vyse, Tracey Thompson,

Tenor: Colin Gilmore, Alex Howard-Vyse, Adrian Johnson,

Derek Wilkins

Bass: Nick Balaam, Rob Galliard, Peter Hancock, Howard Taylor,

Mike Walker, Pete Willson

Andrés Hernández-Salazar

Led by Andrés Hernandez Salazar, an expert choral director and vocal coach, the group combines technical excellence with an open, collaborative spirit. Andrés brings vision, vitality and a deep sense of musical purpose, helping each singer contribute to a unified, expressive sound.

He began his musical studies in Venezuela and was awarded a scholarship by The British Council (the first for a Venezuelan musician) to study at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama in London. He subsequently studied at the Trinity College of Music, London, and has since performed extensively. Andrés was conferred the degree of Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Humanities with Music, by The Open University. Since 2002 he has been in great demand as a voice tutor and music history lecturer.



Music Director: Andrés Hernández-Salazar Accompanist: Alex Howard-Vyse



Friday 4th July St Peter & St Paul's Church Market Place Swaffham Saturday 5th July All Saints Church Hillington Square King's Lynn

Programme

| Sumer is Icumen in | Traditional, words: anon | C13th | To be Sung of a Summer Night on the Water, Parts 1 & 2 | Frederick Delius | 1862-1934 |
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| Il est Bel et Bon | Pierre Passereau, words: anon | C16th | Midsummer Song | Frederick Delius, words from original German text by R.S. Hoffmann | 1862-1934 |
| Scaldava il Sol | Luca Marenzio, words: Luigi Alamanni | 1553-1599 | | | |
| Of all the Birds that I do Know | John Bartlet, words: George Gascoigne | C17th | As Torrents in Summer | Edward Elgar, words: Henry Longfellow) | 1857-1934 |
| Sweet Suffolk Owl | Thomas Vautor, words: anon) | C17th | The Evening Primrose | Benjamin Britten, words: John Clare | 1913-1976 |
| Shall I Compare thee to a Summer's Day? | Nils Lindberg, words: William Shakespeare | 1933-2022 | The Blue Bird | Charles Villiers Stanford, words: Mary Coleridge | 1852-1924 |
| Yarmouth Fair | Norfolk folk-tune, arr. Peter Warlock, words: Hal Collins | 1894-1930 | Summertime | George Gershwin, words: Edwin DuBose Heyward & Ira Gershwin | 1898-1937 |
| The Sailor and Young Nancy | Norfolk folk song, arr. Ernest Moeran | 1894-1950 | Blue Moon | Richard Rodgers, arr. David Blackwell, words: Lorenz Hart | 1902-1979 |
| Country Gardens | Traditional, arr. Percy Grainger | 1882-1961 | Deep Purple | Peter De Rose, arr. Andrew Carter & David Blackwell, words: Mitchell Parish | 1896-1953 |
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