

The Nottingham & District Society of Organists



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Programme of Events 2013/14

President: Peter Siepmann PhD ARCO LRSM



The organ at Wollaton Hall
(the oldest organ in Nottinghamshire)

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How to join the Society

Visit the website nottsorganists.co.uk or call 0115 962 1513.

Annual subscription is only £15 (£12.50 concession)

Joint membership for couples also available at £17 (£14 concession)

Students join the Society for free!

Sunday 8th September, 6.30pm

St Peter's Church, Nottingham

Choral Evensong *with prayers for the work of the NDSO*

Preacher: The Rev'd Canon John Berry MA ARCO (CHM)
Society Chaplain

We start the year with a traditional service of Choral Evensong, sung by the church choir. The service will be followed by the 'badging' of the new President, as well as coffee and an opportunity to try the church organ.



Saturday 26th October, 6pm

President's Evening

All Saints' Church, Raleigh Street, Nottingham

An introduction to this year's President, his musical interests (with a particular emphasis on plainsong-inspired music) and the programme of events for 2013/14, illustrated by live organ and choral music. Followed by wine and nibbles.

Saturday 16th November

Society Visit to Peterborough Cathedral

A demonstration and chance to play the cathedral's wonderful four-manual Hill organ will be followed by a cathedral tour. Originally built in 1894, the organ has since undergone a number of refurbishments, most recently following the fire of 2001, which necessitated a major restoration of the organ before its re-installation in 2005.

Meet at the West End at 10.15am.



Sunday 15th December

Society Lecture

Paul Hale MA FRCO ARCM HonFRSCM HonFGCM FRSA
Southwell Minster

Following Evensong, Paul Hale (who alongside his work as Rector Chori and Cathedral Organist is an Organ Advisor of international standing) will speak to us about two recent projects: the new Tickell organ at Newcastle RC Cathedral, and the new instrument for Merton College, Oxford, built by Dobsons in the USA. There will also be a chance to play the Minster organs.

Evensong is held in the Quire at 3.30pm.

Saturday 18th January

Masterclass & Repertoire Discovery

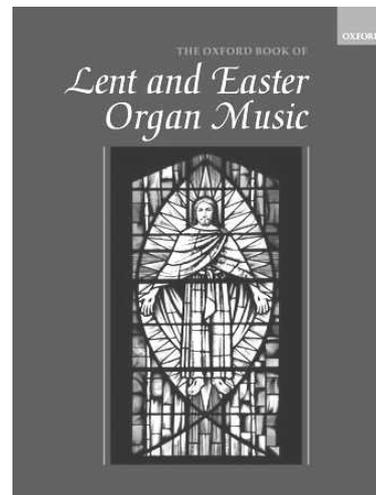
Robert Gower MA FRCO (CHM) LRAM ARCM FRSA

St Mary & All Souls' Church, Bulwell

An invaluable masterclass on hymn playing and hymn-based improvisation will fill the morning at St Mary's, with its excellent 3-manual organ. After a jacket potato lunch, we will be introduced to the new OUP album of Organ Music for Lent & Easter by the volume's editor, distinguished organist Robert Gower.

Session 1: 11am; Lunch: 1pm (£5/person); Session 2: 2pm

Booking required. Non-members welcome (£5 fee)



Saturday 15th February, 2pm

Pulling Out the Stops: Discovering the pipe organ

St Peter's Church, Nottingham

Hosted jointly by the NDSO and the Derby & District Organists' Association, this will be a fun and informative event predominately for children who want to learn more about the organ, or have always fancied having a go, but never had the opportunity.

Saturday 22nd March, 3pm

Members' Organ Recital

St John's Church, Carrington

An opportunity for members to perform in public in the beautiful church of St John's Carrington, with its recently refurbished organ and wonderful acoustic.

Booking required for performers.



Saturday 5th April, 2pm

Masterclass: Bach & Baroque Organ Music

John Keys MA LRAM ARCM ARCO HonFGCM

St Mary's Church, High Pavement, Nottingham

Acclaimed local organist John Keys gives expert advice on how to interpret baroque music on the beautiful 1973 Marcussen organ at the city's civic church.

Booking required for players.



Saturday 17th May

Society Visit: Goetze & Gwynn and Worksop Priory

Martin Goetze and Dominic Gwynn set up their firm in 1980 to help revive the interest in the classical tradition in British organ-building and pre-Victorian British organ music. A tour of their workshop on the Welbeck Estate will be combined with a visit to Worksop Priory and a chance to try the 1974 Peter Collins organ.

Details and timings to be confirmed.

Saturday 7th June

Celebrity Recital & Society Annual Lunch

This year's recitalist and speaker is Robert Quinney, who became Director of Music at Peterborough Cathedral in April 2013 after eight years as Sub-Organist of Westminster Abbey.

Recital: 11am: St Peter's Nottingham (admission by donation)

Lunch: 12.30pm for 1pm: The Mercure Hotel, George Street
(£20 per person)



Tuesday 29th July

The Annual General Meeting

St Leonard's Church Hall, Wollaton

A review of the past year is followed by the election of Society officers. The meeting will be followed by a chance to see, hear and play the newly renovated organ at St Leonard's Church.



A Saturday afternoon in August (tbc nearer the time)

Masterclass: French Romantic Organ Music

David Butterworth MA MusB FRCO(CHM)

Nottingham Albert Hall

An opportunity to try out your French repertoire on the mighty Binns organ at the Nottingham Albert Hall under the guidance of the instrument's custodian.



Membership of the Society also means you will receive the termly newsletter, *Sequencer*, in September, January and May. This popular magazine includes details of upcoming events as well as recital dates and a diverse collection of articles and organ-related news.