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Welcome to the 2025 Lammermuir Festival

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Lammermuir Festival specialises in ... the union of great music and beautiful

locations creates a special atmosphere."

Our festival in the beautiful, historic county of East Lothian offers wonderful music played by some of the world's finest musicians.

Heading up this year's distinguished roster as artistin-residence is a truly outstanding young British talent, cellist Laura van der Heijden, with six appearances as both soloist and ensemble musician. The international dimension is strong. Rinaldo Alessandrini's Concerto Italiano brings us Monteverdi and Jean-Efflam Bavouzet performs the complete piano works of Ravel in his 150th anniversary year. Scottish Opera performs Ravel's effervescent L'heure espagnole and tenor Joshua Ellicott explores his influence on song.

A real highlight is a performance by the Philharmonia Orchestra, one of the world's finest, joined by our patron Steven Osborne. A residency by I Fagiolini is a cornerstone of the festival with performances of Purcell's *Dido and Aeneas* and Monteverdi's Vespers of 1610. The Van Baerle Trio play all of Brahms's piano trios and the Dudok Quartet Amsterdam bring all of Tchaikovsky's quartets.

Bill Barclay's Concert Theatre Works (Secret Byrd 2023) returns, presenting an epic production of Bach Markus Passion with the Dunedin Consort and we are thrilled to make our first visit to Gosford House.

2025 is a real voyage of discovery - please join us!

Hugh Macdonald & James Waters Artistic Directors





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The Observer

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THU 4 SEPT 3pm

COFFEE CONCERT I - VAN BAERLE TRIO

Schumann 6 Canonic Studies Op 56 Brahms Piano Trio No 1 (original version) in B major Op 8

The Van Baerle Trio were a huge audience favourite last year with their complete Beethoven piano trio series, a spectacular tour de force. They make a welcome return with three concerts featuring the piano trios of Brahms.

This morning's concert is the first of nine fabulous coffee concerts with tasty cakes from Falko's Bakery in Haddington. A great way to start your Lammermuir Festival day.



Concert duration: 1hr from 11.30am (doors open 11am) £22 for coffee, cake & concert

EARTH THY COLD IS KEEN

Earth Thy Cold is Keen MacRae

Lotte Betts-Dean Mezzo-soprano Stuart MacRae Director / Harmonium Seguoia

Whitekirk's beautiful mediaeval church is back in action! Its superb acoustic makes it the perfect venue for what BBC Music Magazine called the 'stunning, melancholic beauty' of Scottish composer Stuart MacRae's atmospheric, folk-influenced song cycle. Acclaimed Australian mezzo Lotte Betts-Dean. winner of the Royal Philharmonic Society young artist of the year in 2024, is the ideal soloist in these songs written for her.

'...impressive control, an irrepressible sense of drama and extraordinary self-assurance...Betts-Dean is certainly one to watch.' The Guardian

Concert duration: 1hr 10 mins Tickets £20 Photo: Matthew Johnson

SCOTTISH OPERA DOUBLE BILL

Ravel	L'heure espagnole	
Walton	The Bear	
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Alexandra Cravero Conductor

Jacopo Spirei Director Kenneth Macleod Designer

As the centrepiece of our tribute to Ravel in his 150th anniversary year, Scottish Opera's concertstaging of his one-act opera L'heure espagnole (Spanish Time) will be a festival highlight. It's a comedy about the wife of a clockmaker who cheats on her husband with a series of men while he's away. To escape discovery, they each end up hiding and getting stuck in a clock.

Spanish influences are very much to the fore in Ravel's ravishing music. Ravel's orchestral brilliance is matched, on a much smaller scale, by Walton in his witty one-act chamber opera The Bear based on a Chekhov play about a grieving widow who falls in love with one of her late husband's creditors.

Scottish Opera in partnership with the Lammermuir Festival

Concert duration: 2hrs 20mins approx. The Bear sung in English. L'heure espagnole sung Tickets £45, £40, £35, £20 in French. Both with English supertitles.

Photo: Kaupo Kikkas



FRI 5 SEPT 3pm Gladsmuir Church, Gladsmuir



COFFEE CONCERT II – R VAN BAERLE TRIO

MozartPiano Trio in G major K496BrahmsPiano Trio No 2 in C major Op 87

The Van Baerles play one of Brahms's sunniest mature works. He was particularly proud of it, famously telling his publishers that they had "not so far had such a beautiful trio from me and very probably have not published one to match it in the last ten years."



Concert duration: 1hr from 11.30am (doors open 11am)£22 - coffee, cake & concertPhoto: Simon Van Boxtel

THE SOUNDS AND SONGS OF AULD LANG SYNE A concert in two acts

Mhairi LawsonSopranoLorna AndersonSopranoJan WaterfieldHarpsichord

In 1771 the musician Domenico Corri moved from the Roman apartments of Prince Charles Edward Stuart to Edinburgh, heart of the Scottish Enlightenment. There he and his celebrated soprano wife Francesca performed for and with the Edinburgh Musical Society whose members included the Duke of Buccleuch and the famous economist Adam Smith.

This concert evokes the sound-world of Enlightenment Edinburgh. It includes Corri's annotated editions of traditional Scots songs, Italian arias by Gluck, Handel and Corri's friend Haydn alongside well-known vocal pieces by Mozart.

And there will be no fewer than three versions of Auld Lang Syne, spanning a hundred years of the song's development, including the version heard by Robert Burns himself.

Concert duration: 2hrs approx Tickets £30, £24, £18



FRI 5 SEPT 7.30pm Dirleton Kirk, Dirleton

KALEIDOSCOPE CHAMBER COLLECTIVE I

Mozart	Flute Quartet in D major K
Bartók	Suite Paysanne
Pejačević	Piano Quartet in D minor
Brahms	Piano Quartet No 1 in G

Adam Walker	Flute
Elena Urioste	Violin
Rosalind Ventris	Viola
Laura van der Heijden	Cello
Tom Poster	Piano

Britain's classiest chamber ensemble returns. Longtime Lammermuir patrons will know that every Kaleidoscope concert is an exciting adventure, with stunning performances of new discoveries as well as time-honoured classics. This year, with our artist-in-residence Laura van der Heijden as cellist, their first programme climaxes in Brahms's great G minor piano quartet. But the revelation here is the passionately romantic music of Croatian composer Dora Pejačević (1885-1923).

Concert duration: 2hrs approx Tickets £30, £24, £18 K285

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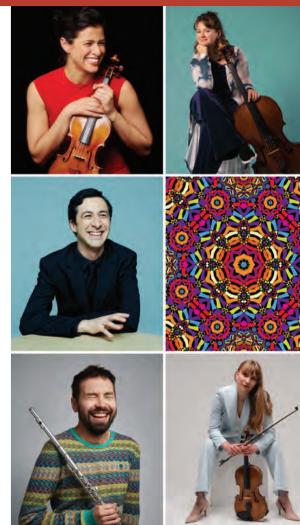


Image: Kaleidoscope Collective

SAT 6 SEPT 11am coffee & cake 11.30am concert Holy Trinity Church, Haddington

COFFEE CONCERT III – MONTEVERDI AND ME

Robert Hollingworth in conversation with James Waters

I Fagiolini's residency is a highlight of this year's programme. Artistic Director of I Fagiolini Robert Hollingworth has been captivated by the music of Monteverdi for many years, directing frequent performances and devising highly original events around this most thrilling of composers. In conversation with James Waters and using musical examples he explores his fascination with this major musical figure.



Concert duration: 1hr from 11.30am (doors open 11am) £22 – coffee, cake & concert Photo: Riccardo Cavallari

KALEIDOSCOPE CHAMBER COLLECTIVE II

SAT 6 SEPT 3pm

Dirleton Kirk, Dirleton

Mel BonisSuite en trio Op 59GaubertThree AquarellesDurufléPrélude, Récitatif et VariationsPoulencFlute SonataFauréPiano Quartet No 1 in C minor
Op 15

Adam WalkerFluteElena UriosteViolinRosalind VentrisViolaLaura van der HeijdenCelloTom PosterPiano

A delightful programme of French music from the late 19th and early 20th centuries. It ends with one of Fauré's most popular chamber works and the first half is a showcase for brilliant flautist Adam Walker. As ever, Kaleidoscope offers some neglected masterpieces including a rare and exquisite chamber work by Duruflé and the plangent beauty of Gaubert's Aquarelles.

Concert duration: 2 hrs approx Tickets £30, £24, £18 Photo: Christa Holka



SAT 6 SEPT 7.30pm St Mary's Parish Church, Haddington

PURCELL'S DIDO AND AENEAS

With other works by Purcell including 'Music for a While' and excerpts from 'Dioclesian', 'Circe', 'Cedaria' and 'King Arthur'

Dido	Julia Doyle
Belinda	Rowan Pierce
Aeneas	Frederick Long
orceress	Martha McLorinar
Vitch	Ciara Hendrick

I Fagiolini Robert Hollingworth Conductor

Internationally renowned for its genuinely innovative performances, I Fagiolini's Lammermuir Festival debut is typical of their high ambition. This wonderful evening of music by Henry Purcell is crowned by his incomparable opera *Dido and Aeneas*, one of the true landmarks of European musical history. As a prelude, the richness and depth of Purcell's genius is explored in a superb selection of songs, choruses and instrumental pieces from his odes and theatre works.

'The group are musical shapeshifters, following Hollingworth's giddy, eclectic imagination wherever it leads.' The Spectator

Concert duration: 2hrs approx Tickets £33, £28, £22, £18



SUN 7 SEPT 11am Crichton Collegiate Church near Pathhead

SUN 7 SEPT 3pm Dunbar Parish Church, Dunbar

Haydn

Ravel

SUN 7 SEPT 7.30pm St Mary's Parish Church, Haddington



TIMOTHY RIDOUT IN RECITAL

JS Bach Cello Suite No 1 in G major Telemann Fantasias (selection) Caroline Shaw In Manus Tuas Britten Eleav JS Bach Violin Sonata No 1 in G minor

Timothy Ridout Viola

The brilliant young British viola player Timothy Ridout brings a spellbinding programme of music for solo viola to this beautiful mediaeval church. As well as major works by Bach and Telemann we'll hear an almost lost early work by the teenage Britten and Caroline Shaw's atmospheric tribute to Thomas Tallis.

'Tim Ridout is the finest viola player of his generation." The Arts Desk

VAN BAERLE TRIO PLAY RAVEL

Piano Trio No 30 in E flat major Brahms Piano Trio No 3 in C minor Op 101 Lili Boulanger D'un soir triste et d'un matin de printemps Piano Trio in A minor

For their final concert the Van Baerle Trio build their programme round two magnificent masterpieces.

Brahms's third trio shows him in commanding, explosive form. Ravel wrote his trio on the eve of the Great War. Composed at lightning speed, it contains some of his most overwhelmingly intense music.

'Irresistible freshness: an inquisitive spirit, a spring-like clarity and a daredevil verve ' Gramophone



Concert duration: 2hrs approx Tickets £30, £24, £18

Photo: Kaupo Kikkas



MONTEVERDI VESPERS OF 1610

I Faaiolini

English Cornett and Sackbut Ensemble Robert Hollingworth Conductor

Few works composed in the Baroque era achieve quite the epic arandeur of Monteverdi's Vespers of 1610. With its five psalm settings, elaborate Magnificat and brilliant instrumental music, this masterwork can be seen as a kind of showcase for all the dramatic, lyric and colouristic skills that give Monteverdi his unique status in musical history

Steeped in Monteverdi's music with many acclaimed recordings, I Fagiolini perform the Vespers as Monteverdi originally envisaged, with a consort of dramatic solo singers accompanied by wind, strings and brass. Their peerless technical control and dynamic improvisation produce a colourful and viscerally emotional reading: a 21st Century interpretation as the group approaches its 40th anniversary.

'Off-the-charts brilliant... utterly enthralling' The Arts Desk

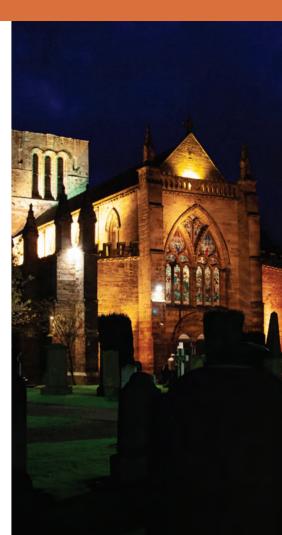
'A performance packed with riches... the shivery thrill of being totally immersed." The Times

Concert duration: 1 hr 40 mins approx Tickets £33, £28, £22, £18

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knows no bounds

have meant.'

Financial Times

JEAN-EFFLAM BAVOUZET PLAYS

RAVEL'S COMPLETE PIANO MUSIC

Gaspard de la nuit, Valses nobles et sentimentales,

Jean-Efflam Bavouzet, one of the outstanding French

A major event to commemorate Ravel's 150th Anniversary.

pianists of our time, offers a unique opportunity to become

fully immersed in the exquisite poetry and tonal shadings of

the composer's complete works for piano. From the stunning

virtuosity of Gaspard de la nuit to the delicate charm of

the tiny Menuet sur le nom de Haydn, Ravel's imagination

'...he makes you listen to music as if you are discovering

it Eureka! – style: yes, that's what the composer must

Photo: Aurélien Bergot

Miroires, Sonatine and Le Tombeau de Couperin

COFFEE CONCERT IV -LAURA VAN DER HEIJDEN AND JÂMS COLEMAN

Lili Boulanger	Reflets
Debussy	Cello Sonata
Florence Price	Night
Britten	Cello Sonata

And works by Fauré, Korngold, Britten and Takemitsu

Laura van der Heiiden Cello Jâms Coleman Piano

Our artist-in-residence and the talented Welsh pianist Jâms Coleman start the week with a choice collection of pieces ending with the passionate character-portrait that Britten wrote for the great cellist Mstislav Rostropovich.

'A superstar cellist.' The Times

Concert duration: 1hr from 11.30am (doors open 11am) £22 – coffee, cake & concert

Concert duration: 3 hrs Two intervals Tickets £30, £24, £18

RECOMPOSED BY MAX RICHTER: VIVALDI - THE FOUR SEASONS

Camerata Scotland

Elena Urioste Violin / Director

"It is a subtle and often moving piece of work, which suggests that after years of tedious disco and trance versions of Mozart... classical remix has finally become interesting". That was The Telegraph critic's view of Max Richter's re-composition of Vivaldi's famous work when it was launched in 2012. Vivaldi's repeating patterns have their modern echoes in the minimalist music of our time. But Richter's highly individual take fuses Vivaldi's ideas with his own to produce fascinating new colours and a vibrant musical experience led by American violinist Elena Urioste directing the talented players of the National Youth Orchestra of Scotland's elite Camerata.

Concert duration: 1hr 10mins approx Tickets £20

COFFEE CONCERT V -**RUSSIAN SONG**

Songs by Tchaikovsky, Rachmaninov, Mussorgsky, Medtner and Taneyev

Andrew Hamilton Baritone Iain Burnside Piano

£22 – coffee, cake & concert

Now a member of the Bavarian State Opera in Munich, Andrew Hamilton is an exciting young British baritone with a stellar future. Here he offers a marvellous selection of Russian songs, one of his great loves.

I FAGIOLINI - A LIFE IN A CAPPELLA

Renaissance masterpieces from England and Spain

Monteverdi's greatest madrigals

TUE 9 SEPT 3pm

Aberlady Church, Aberlady

with works by Joanna Marsh, Adrian Williams, Jean-Yves Daniel-Lesur and Beka Dhlamini

Robert Hollingworth Director

In an age of AI, I Fagiolini is a hand-painted original. Its first concert in 1986 included Monteverdi, Grieg and the Fairy Liquid jingle. Monteverdi has remained a constant and I Fagiolini has gone on to rethink exactly what a vocal group does, from unstageable a cappella to cross-cultural projects, world premiere recordings, the podcast Choral Chihuahua - and plenty of film. Join this most characterful of ensembles for the best music they've sung in nearly 40 years.

'This is serious musicianship that never takes itself too seriously – the Holy Grail of concert-going.' The Spectator

Concert duration: 2hrs approx Tickets £30, £24, £18

Photo: Monika S Jakubowska

TUE 9 SEPT 7.30pm The Corn Exchange, Haddington

DUKE ELLINGTON SONGBOOK

with Sara Oschlag and Pete Long's Echoes of Ellington Quintet

Sara Oschlag is backed by: Peter Long Reeds, leader Colin Good Drums Arnie Somogyi Bass Tom Gordon Piano lan Bateman Trombone

Following on last year's hugely successful Tango evening, we return to Haddington's Corn Exchange with its bar and informal atmosphere to present some of the greatest songs ever written.

Sensational vocalist Sara Oschlag and Pete Long, director of the Ronnie Scott's Big Band, lead a top-flight ensemble in a swinging tribute to the legendary 1957 recording Ella Fitzgerald Sings The Duke Ellington Songbook. With timeless melodies, dazzling improvisation and irresistible rhythm, this is an evening not to be missed.

This venue has a bar

Concert duration: 2hrs approx Tickets £24

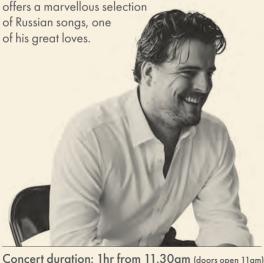


Photo: Andrew Hamilton



Sara Oschlag Peter Long Carly Layton

WED 10 SEPT 11am coffee & cake 11.30am concert Holy Trinity Church, Haddington

WED 10 SEPT 3pm Holy Trinity Church, Haddington



Photo: Simon Van Boxtel

SHOSTAKOVICH BY CANDLELIGHT I Shostakovich 24 Preludes and Fugues Op 87 (Nos 1-12)

Hannes Minnaar Piano

In 1950, living in the menacing shadow of Stalinist disapproval, Shostakovich found himself sent to be a judge at the International Bach Competition in Leipzig. Deeply moved by the playing of Tatiana Nikolayeva, the First Prize winner, he was inspired to create his own homage to Bach's great cycle of 48 Preludes and Fugues. It also allowed him to journey deep into his own creative world, away from the trials and terrors of Soviet artistic life. In two late-night, candlelit recitals, award-winning Dutch pianist Hannes Minnaar takes us on that journey through one of the 20th century's most profound masterpieces.

'Fabulously detailed, lively, curious playing. Minnaar makes these pieces twitch and glow with life under his fingers, and there's a sense of spontaneity.' BBC Radio 3 Record Review

Concert duration: 1hr 15 mins approx Tickets £20

COFFEE CONCERT VI -CARDUCCI STRING QUARTET

Beethoven	String Quartet in F minor Op 95
Shostakovich	String Quartet No 2
	in A major Op 68

One of the most respected and acclaimed British guartets, the Carduccis have made Shostakovich a particular point of focus in their repertoire. Here they play one of the most symphonic and dramatic of the Soviet composer's 15 quartets.



Concert duration: 1hr from 11.30am (doors open 11am) £22 – coffee, cake & concert Photo: Andy Holdsworth

UNRAVELLING RAVEL

5 Greek Folksongs
L'invitation au voyage
Silent Noon
Summertime

With music by Debussy, Fauré, Bill Evans, Poulenc, de Falla, John Taylor, Ireland, Kenny Wheeler and others.

Joshua Ellicott Tenor Alisdair Hogarth Piano

Joshua Ellicott and Alisdair Hogarth explore an eclectic programme of songs and piano pieces that trace the music of composers who influenced Ravel through to artists he himself influenced, from Couperin, Schumann and Grieg to Vaughan Williams, John Ireland, Gershwin, Chick Corea and Herbie Hancock. The programme's centrepiece and intersection is Ravel's crystalline 5 Greek Folksongs.

'The oustanding Joshua Ellicott.' The Times

Concert duration: 2hrs approx Tickets £22



WED 10 SEPT 7.30pm St Mary's Parish Church, Haddington

THE PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA WITH STEVEN OSBORNE

Mendelssohn	Overture 'The Hebrides'
Mozart	Piano Concerto No 27 in B flat major K595
Beethoven	Symphony No 3 'Eroica' in E flat major Op 53
Steven Osborne Rory Macdonald	Piano

We are thrilled to welcome the Philharmonia orchestra, one of the world's finest, to the Lammermuir Festival. They are joined by our Patron Steven Osborne in Mozart's beautiful B flat piano concerto, the last he wrote, which has a mellow, valedictory atmosphere all its own.

'Osborne played with technical perfection, exploring every expressive opportunity of the concerto.' BachTrack

Beethoven's friend Ferdinand Ries predicted of the Eroica that "heaven and earth will tremble when it is performed" and indeed this majestic symphony still has the power to inspire and shock in equal measure.

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SHOSTAKOVICH BY CANDIFLIGHT II Dmitri Shostakovich 24 Preludes and Fugues

Op 87 (Nos 13-24)

Hannes Minnaar Piano

Hannes Minnaar completes his atmospheric, candlelit traversal of Shostakovich's magnificent tribute to JS Bach. Tatyana Nikolayeva, the great Russian pianist for whom these pieces were written, described them as "24 masterpieces, each with its own internal world".

COFFEE CONCERT VII -MAXWELL STRING QUARTET

Haydn String Quartet in D major Op 20 No 4 Beethoven String Quartet in A minor Op 132

Our old friends the Maxwell Quartet love their Haydn, and their stylish way with his music is always a pleasure to hear. Likewise, their performance of Beethoven's troubled A minor quartet, with its famous Heiliger Dankgesang (Song of Thanksgiving) promises something very special.

'Take note of the Maxwell Quartet... they bring charisma and a sense of adventure to their programmes.' New York Times

Concert duration: 2hrs approx Tickets £45, £40, £35, £20

Concert duration: 1hr 15mins Tickets £20 Photo: Lars van den Brink

Concert duration: 1hr from 11.30am (doors 11am) £22 – coffee, cake & concert

Photo: Luca Migliore

THU 11 SEPT 3pm St Mary's Church, Whitekirk

In co-production with





HEBRIDES ENSEMBLE

Ravel	Introduction and Allegro
Domnett	Pli Selon Pli
Ravel	Mother Goose Suite
	(arr. Alasdair Nicolson)
Boulez	Anthèmes I for solo violin
Berio	Folksongs

Rebecca Afonwy-Jones Mezzo soprano William Conway Director

As well as Ravel's 150th, Hebrides Ensemble marks the 100th anniversaries of two late 20th century greats, Berio and Boulez, and this performance features a new dramatic song cycle commissioned from young British composer Jasper Dommett. Ravel's lush Introduction and Allegro and Mother Goose Suite bookend Dommett's Pli selon Pli (Folds on Folds) inspired by Boulez's iconic work of that name. The concert ends with Berio's wonderful, life-enhancing Folksongs, of which he said "When I work with [folk] music, I am always caught by the thrill of discovery..."

Concert duration: 1hr 40mins approx Tickets £20

THU 11 SEPT 7.30pm St Mary's Parish Church, Haddington



BRAHMS DOUBLE CONCERTO

Overture to 'Don Giovanni' Mozart Brahms Concerto for Violin and Cello in A minor Op 102 Mendelssohn Symphony No 4 in A major Op 90

Royal Northern Sinfonia

Maria Włoszczowska Violin Laura van der Heijden Cello Dinis Sousa Conductor

Performances of Brahms's Double Concerto are surprisingly rare, considering its importance as his last significant orchestral piece. It is not, to be sure, a flashy showpiece for the soloists - more an intimate, sometimes searching conversation between two equals. But its glowing, 'autumnal' beauty makes it a wonderful vehicle for two exceptional string players. One of Mozart's finest overtures opens the programme, and we end with Mendelssohn's 'Italian' symphony evoking Mediterranean sunshine, religious solemnity and intoxicating dance.

'Magnificent. Sousa was electrifying in moments of grandeur, high drama and emotional intensity.' The Guardian

Concert duration: 1hr 45mins approx Tickets £33, £28, £22, £18

FRI 12 SEPT 11am coffee & cake 11.30am concert Holy Trinity Church, Haddington

COFFEE CONCERT VIII -

with wistful melancholy.

Mozart

Brahms

MAXWELL STRING QUARTET II

Op 51 No 2

The Maxwells play the most lyrical of the six

masterly quartets Mozart wrote, after 'long and

arduous labour', for his friend Haydn. Brahms's

complex and absorbing second quartet is infused

St Peter's Church, Musselburgh

In co-production with

String Quartet in E flat major K428

String Quartet No 2 in A minor



CHILDREN'S CONCERT

By Kathy Hinde Co-commissioned by Red Note Ensemble and sound

FLOCK is centred around a suite of newly invented playful instruments combined with flute, cello and percussion. Opening with a sonically and visually captivating musical performance, children are gently encouraged to become more involved until. through their collective effort, a chirping flock comes into being. Origami birds slowly flap their paper wings overhead, music boxes tinkle, automated swanee whistles twitch and flutter, accordion reeds and pipes resonate... creating an evocative and intriguing setting that builds towards the impression of a lively flock of birds tweeting and chattering together.

Family Friendly event for all ages

Concert duration: 30mins Tickets: Adults £6 Under 18s free

Concert duration: 1hr from 11.30am (doors open 11am) £22 – coffee, cake & concert

Photo: Stuart Armitt

THU 11 Sept 4pm & 5.30pm & FRI 12 Sept 10.30am, 12pm, 2pm

FLOCK - RED NOTE ENSEMBLE

Photo: Mehdi Seperhi



THE GLORY OF GOSFORD

Gosford, the seat of the Earls of Wemyss and March and East Lothian's grandest house, is an imposing neo-classical mansion set in 5,000 acres of combined coast and parkland overlooking the Firth of Forth. It was one of the last areat commissions of the celebrated Scots architect Robert Adam, completed in 1800 and regarded as a masterpiece.

Our first visit to Gosford House is a three-part voyage of discovery.

Part I – The Grand Entrance

The Lammermuir Basset Horn Ensemble Maximiliano Martín Director

As you arrive in this beautiful house with its extraordinary marble staircase entrance hall and impressive art collection you will be greeted by rare basset horn trios by Mozart.

Part II – Lecture Recital in the Marble Hall

Mhairi Lawson	Soprano
John Kitchen	Claviorganum
Eleanor Smith-Guido	Speaker

Gosford is home to an extraordinary musical treasure - a claviorganum which combines harpsichord and organ in one. Expert Eleanor Smith-Guido traces the history of this exceptional, newly restored 18th century instrument, with musical examples.

Part III – Recorder Recital in the Saloon

Tabea Debus	Recorder
Benedict Williams	Harpsichord

We move to the beautiful, high-ceilinged Saloon for a recital of Bach. Albinoni and Nante. Virtuoso recorder player Tabea Debus imagines a folio of lessons given by that most generous yet demanding of teachers, JS Bach, who wrote pieces for his pupils, hoping that they would go on to influence 'the minds of other aood students who are not satisfied with the ordinary lirum-larum.

> Photos: Tabea Debus Benjamin Faloyead Gosford Estate

Event duration: 2hrs 15mins Tickets £50

Please note this is a period house and there are many stairs and steps to enter and exit building and between concerts.



TCHAIKOVSKY STRING QUARTETS I

Tchaikovsky String Quartet No 2 in F major Op 22 Tchaikovsky String Quartet No 1 in D major Op 11

Dudok Quartet Amsterdam

Tchaikovsky's richly romantic string guartets are not nearly as well-known as they should be, and the Amsterdam-based Dudok Quartet are on a mission to change that. Their complete recording, which they play on gut strings after deep study of Tchaikovsky's intentions, has been a revelation, prompting BBC Music Magazine's critic to declare that "even if you think Tchaikovsky's string quartets are staple fare... you'll find them transfigured by the Dudok Quartet..

Concert duration: 1hr 30mins approx Tickets £30, £24, £18 Photo: Yuri Andries

SAT 13 SEPT 2.30pm & 4.30pm Dunbar Parish Church, Dunbar

COFFEE CONCERT IX – ARASH ROKNI PIANO RECITAL

Beethoven'Eroica' Variations Op 35Brahms4 Ballades Op 10

And works by Alessandro and Domenico Scarlatti, Gubaidulina and Kurtág

Beethoven's Eroica Variations contain musical material later used by the composer in his famous eponymous symphony. Iranian virtuoso Arash Rokni has set this virtuoso showpiece in a fascinating programme ranging Scarlatti to Beethoven via Kurtág



Concert duration: 1hr from 11.30am (doors open 11am) £22 – coffee, cake & concert Photo: Anna Tena

CHILDREN'S CONCERT CARNIVAL OF THE ANIMALS WITH ROGER McGOUGH AND NYCOS NATIONAL GIRLS CHOIR

Sally Beamish	Three Cat Songs
Saint-Saëns (arr. Gwyn Arch)	Carnival of the Animals
Roger McGough NYCOS National Girls Choir	Speaker
Christopher Bell	Conductor
Hebba Benyaghla	Piano

Saint-Saëns's Carnival of the Animals has inspired and delighted many; who can forget the evocative 'Hens and Cockerels', the beautiful 'Swan', the atmospheric 'Aquarium' and the hilarious 'Creatures with Long Ears' to name but a few. Gwyn Arch set these melodies to words which will be performed by the NYCOS National Girls Choir while national treasure Roger McGough, who was inspired to write his own responses to each movement, will read his hilarious poems. This is a family concert like no other – an introduction to this wonderful music for children, and a walk down memory lane for adults. Not to be missed.

Family friendly event for ages 8+

Concert duration: 1hr approx Adult tickets £15 Under 18s free



SCHUBERT STRING QUINTET

Gaelic Psalms of the Western Isles of ScotlandEdmund FinnisString Quartet No 1 'Aloysius'William ByrdAve verum corpusFranz SchubertString Quintet in C major D956

Maxwell String Quartet Laura van der Heijden Cello

Few chamber music works have the emotional impact of Schubert's last major work. Its haunting beauty, dramatic contrasts of darkness and light, struggle and resignation, and ultimately its humanity add up to one of the most memorable musical experiences one can have. For this performance in Whitekirk's beautiful church, our artist-in-residence Laura van der Heijden joins the Maxwell Quartet. They preface it with the ethereal sounds of English composer Edmund Finnis's reflection on Byrd's setting of an ancient hymn, "a light within the darkness of the night."

Concert duration: 2hrs approx Tickets £30, £24, £18



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SAT 13 SEPT 10pm The Corn Exchange, Haddington

ZRI - THE CELLAR SESSIONS

ZRI takes its name from a historic Viennese tavern called Zum Roten Igel (The Red Hedgehog) which was frequented by great musicians like Schubert and Brahms who rubbed shoulders with gypsy and folk musicians. Boundaries between genres were blurred as they became immersed in each other's sound worlds

This brilliant band of versatile musicians re-creates the heady atmosphere of the Red Hedgehog in their Cellar Sessions. Prepare to laugh, holler, and maybe even shed a tear with this eclectic programme which ranges from their versions of Bach and Schubert to Donna Summer and Taylor Swift.



TCHAIKOVSKY STRING QUARTETS II

Tchaikovsky Quartet Movement Tchaikovsky March, July, September, October from 'The Seasons' Tchaikovsky String Quartet No 3 in E flat minor Op 30

Dudok Quartet Amsterdam

Hard to think of a better way to spend a Sunday morning than listening to the sound of a superb string quartet in Whitekirk's alorious acoustic!

The Dudoks complete their fascinating survey of Tchaikovsky's guartets with arrangements of four of his 'Seasons', better-known in solo piano guise, and close with the splendid Third Quartet.



CONCERTO ITALIANO - RINALDO ALESSANDRINI

Claudio Monteverdi	Non è di gentil core (Book 7) O come sei gentile (Book 7) Quel sguardo sdegnosetto (Scherzi musicali) Ohimè, dov'è il mio ben — Romanesca (Book 7)
	Ohimè ch'io cado
	lo son pur vezzosetta (Book 7)
Giovanni Kapsberger	Toccata prima
Agostino Steffani	Saldi marmi
Barbara Strozzi	l baci (Cantate Op 2)
	Voglio morire – L'amante segreto (Cantate Op 2)
	Pensaci ben, mio core (I diporti di Euterpe Op 7)
	Begli occhi (Cantate Op 3)
Giovanni Kapsberger	Passacaglia
Antonio Lotti	Due cuori a me fan Guerra — Cambio de cuori

Rinaldo Alessandrini	Director
Monica Piccinini and Sonia Tedla	Sopranos
Francesco Tomasi	Chitarrone
Rinaldo Alessandrini	Harpsichord

Concert duration: 2hrs approx Tickets £30, £24, £18



Since harpsichordist Rinaldo Alessandrini founded Concerto Italiano 40 years ago the ensemble has become a byword for sensational performances of the music of Monteverdi. Regular appearances in the world's leading venues and its many award-winning recordings have made its interpretations of the great Italian Baroque composers indispensable. We are honoured to present this distinguished ensemble in a superb programme dominated by two Venetian composers: Monteverdi, whose stunning 7th Book of Madrigals is full of daring innovation and emotional extremes; and the much less well-known but extraordinary music of the phenomenally talented Barbara Strozzi.



DANCES AND DUOS WITH LAURA VAN DER HEIJDEN AND FRIENDS

Music by Bach, Bartók, Ravel, Brahms, Kurtág, de la Guerre and others

Max Baillie Violin Marcel Comendant Cimbalom Misha Mullov-Abbado Double Bass Laura van der Heijden Cello

Our intrepid artist in residence Laura van der Heijden invites the cimbalom - a Hungarian hammered dulcimer - to join her extraordinary ensemble of creative and gifted musicians on an evocative journey through folk, jazz, baroque, contemporary music and more. Bartók's earthy, vibrant, buzzing duos for two violins rub up against the enticing melodies of de Falla and Ravel. György Kurtág cuts through the texture with his cimbalom-violin duos, and Elisabeth Jacquet de La Guerre's Violin Sonata dances through contrapuntal conversations and startling harmonic moments. There will also be personally selected favourites, both composed and improvised, with many surprises along the way!

MENDELSSOHN OCTET

Brahms	Serenade No 1 in D major Op 11
Mendelssohn	Octet in E flat major Op 20

Members of the Royal Northern Sinfonia Maria Włoszczowska Violin / Director

An unmissable programme of large-scale chamber music. Mendelssohn's Octet reaches levels of inspiration that are scarcely credible for a 16-yearold, and indeed this was one of the pieces that instantly propelled the teenage genius to international fame. Maria Włoszczowska and her Royal Northern Sinfonia colleagues pair it with another scintillating product of ardent youth, Brahms's 1st Serenade, composed when he was just 22 and played here in its original nonet version.

'Maria Włoszczowska made a stunning New York debut' The Strad

Concert duration: 1hr 40mins approx Tickets £24 This venue has a bar

Concert duration: 2hrs approx Tickets £30, £24, £18

Photo: Venetia Jollands



DUNEDIN CONSORT – BACH MARKUS PASSION

Joseph Marcell Actor Concert Theatre Works

Bill Barclay Anna Dennis Reginald Mobley Nicholas Mulroy Matthew Brook

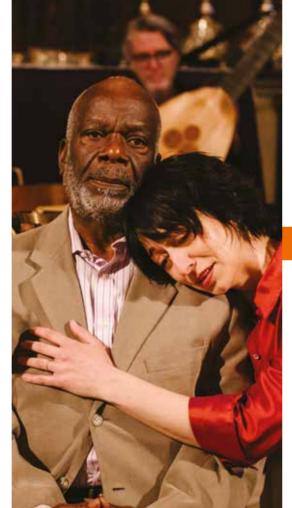
Director Soprano ley Countertenor oy Tenor k Bass-baritone

Dunedin Consort

John Butt Director

Two years ago, Bill Barclay brought his amazing production of Secret Byrd to St Mary's, and it was the sensation of the festival. He returns with an extraordinary new project – the Markus Passion of JS Bach. Immediately after Bach's death, his son Carl Philipp Emanuel delivered the score to the publisher. A century later, when Breitkopf sought to complete the first complete addition of Bach's music, they discovered that they had only the libretto; the score was missing. 'Stage reconstruction of Bach's lost 'St Mark Passion' makes impressive premiere.' New York Classical Review

For more than 150 years scholars have laboured to reconstruct the score, guessing that most of the music would have been borrowed from other works. The Trauer-Ode is believed to be the main source. Malcolm Bruno's new edition includes three beautiful and virtually unknown arias along with a unique role for an Evangelist-Narrator Concert Theatre works has fashioned a theatrical presentation to recreate Bach's long-lost vision.



ABOUT LAMMERMUIR FESTIVAL

The Lammermuir Festival was born of a conviction that historic architecture and beautiful landscape together can create an ideal environment in which to experience great music-making.

The festival was established to bring the finest musicians together with local people and visitors in celebration of music in towns and villages nestling between the Lammermuir Hills and the sea. The area's wealth of beautiful buildings continues to inspire our choice of music and artists. Every year we celebrate the festival with a programme of musical and geographical journeys which affirm the endless possibilities of music in this beautiful area.

We continue our close relationships with several of Scotland's leading ensembles and, as well as inviting internationally renowned musicians, we also seek out the most exciting emerging talent from Scotland, the UK and abroad.

Music has the power to enhance, to refresh and sometimes to change people's lives. We offer the Lammermuir Festival to all those who come to discover the magic of this beautiful place.

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Concert duration: 1hr 20mins approx Tickets £33, £28, £22, £18

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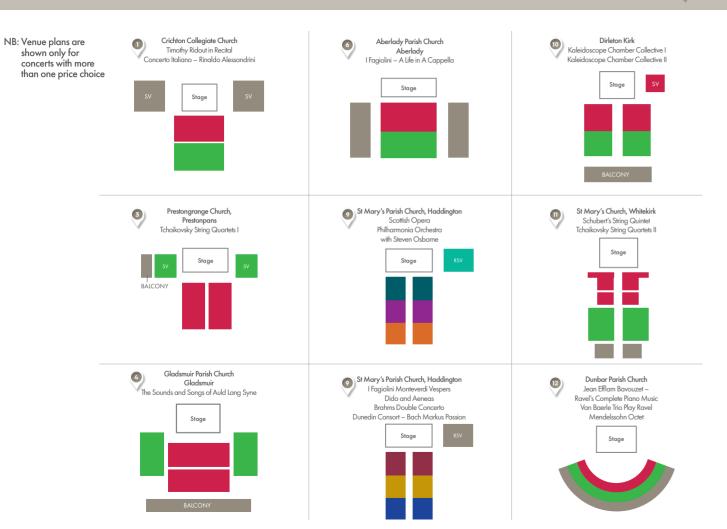
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DIARY 2025	Thu 4 Sept	Fri 5 Sept	Sat 6 Sept	Sun 7 Sept	Mon 8 Sept	Tue 9 Sept
MORNING	11 am Holy Trinity Church, Haddington Coffee Concert I Van Baerle Trio	11 am Holy Trinity Church, Haddington Coffee Concert II Van Baerle Trio	11 am Holy Trinity Church, Haddington Coffee Concert III Monteverdi & Me	11 am Crichton Collegiate Church, Nr Pathhead Timothy Ridout in Recital	11 am Holy Trinity Church, Haddington Coffee Concert IV Laura van der Heijden	11 am Holy Trinity Church, Haddington Coffee Concert V Russian Song
AFTERNOON	3pm St Mary's Church, Whitekirk Earth Thy Cold Is Keen	3pm Gladsmuir Church, Gladsmuir The Sounds and Songs of Auld Lang Syne	3pm Dirleton Kirk, Dirleton Kaleidoscope Chamber Collective II	3pm Dunbar Parish Church, Dunbar Van Baerle Trio Play Ravel	3pm Dunbar Parish Church Jean Efflam Bavouzet Ravel's Complete Piano Music	3pm Aberlady Church I Fagiolini A Life in A Cappella
EVENING	7.30pm St Mary's Parish Church, Haddington Scottish Opera Double Bill	730pm Dirleton Kirk, Dirleton Kaleidoscope Chamber Collective I	7.30pm St Mary's Parish Church, Haddington I Fagiolini Dido and Aeneas	7.30pm St Mary's Parish Church, Haddington I Fagiolini Monteverdi Vespers	7pm & 9pm The Corn Exchange, Haddington Recomposed By Max Richter: Vivaldi – The Four Seasons	7.30pm The Com Exchange, Haddington Duke Ellington Songbook
			Diao and Aeneas	Monieveral Vespers		10.15pm Holy Trinity Church, Haddington Shostakovich by Candlelight I
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