

The Sound of Music

If it's mid June, it must be Proms time, when the Suburb will be ringing with the sound of music! Proms favourites abound: such as local resident, Robert Max – not conducting this year but a member of the Barbican Piano Trio, one of this country's leading chamber music ensembles; the legendary Humphrey Lyttelton (a Proms Patron), with guest star Stacey Kent; and the London Community Gospel Choir, who thrilled a sell-out audience last year.

We are delighted to welcome internationally celebrated artists such as concert organist, Dame Gillian Weir; the Endellion String Quartet, as part of their 25th anniversary celebrations; and Peter Donohoe, joint winner of the 1982 International Tchaikovsky piano competition. The Gala Opening Night concert features the Southbank Sinfonia, with Alessio Bax, winner of the Leeds International Piano competition 2000, playing the Rachmaninov Piano Concerto No.2. Alon Goldstein, now internationally known, will play the Grieg Piano Concerto at the traditional Last Night, which this year features the Finchley Chamber Orchestra, under the baton of David Lardi, with Melanie Marshall, contralto. The Proms at St Jude's would not be complete without our lunchtime concerts featuring talented award-winning musicians of the younger generation – these concerts are free.

We have an Away-Day again this year. Dame Henrietta Barnett Day (June 17th) will be celebrated with a late morning concert by the Nonesuch Orchestra, together with members of the Henrietta Barnett

Junior Concert Orchestra at Toynbee Hall in London's East End.

As ever, the aim of the Proms is to raise money for charity. In 2003 a total of £30,000 was handed over to the designated charities – Toynbee Hall (75%) and North London Hospice (25%). This year, with your help, we hope to raise even more for these charities. We are enormously grateful for the generosity of our sponsors, friends and advertisers, without whom the Proms could not take place.

As people who have attended the Proms previously can verify, coming to a concert is a social event. There are friends to meet and refreshments available before and after all the concerts – in the marquee in the evening and in the church at lunchtime. Why not meet a friend for lunch or bring a party along to an evening concert?

We are always looking for volunteers to help with a range of duties, from leaflet distribution to help on the night. If you have any time to spare, do get in touch.

To find out about sponsorship, advertising or becoming a Friend, phone Susie Gregson on 8458 1675. Booking opens on May 17 on 8933 5365 (2pm to 7pm). To get a Proms leaflet and for all other enquiries phone 8455 8687.

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At a launching reception for sponsors and Friends at Hampstead Golf Club Susie Gregson, Helen Roose, the Reverend Professor Luke Geoghegan Warden of Toynbee Hall, John Wheeler and David Littaur with members of the Tetrakis Quartet who had delighted the audience with Beethoven Opus 18 No. 1 in F and Schumann Opus 41 No. 3 in A

12-20 JUNE 2004

Proms at St Jude's

Saint Jude-on-the-Hill, Central Square, NW11

- SATURDAY 12th 12.45 FAURÉ REQUIEM**
Finchley Children's Music Group
7.45 **GALA ORCHESTRAL NIGHT** Rachmaninov Conc. 2
with Simon Over conductor and Alessio Bax piano
- SUNDAY 13th 7.45 DAME GILLIAN WEIR** Celebrity Organ Recital
- TUESDAY 15th 12.45 PIANO RECITAL** by Juliet Allen
7.45 **ENDELLION STRING QUARTET** Beethoven Recital
- WEDNESDAY 16th 12.45 VIOLIN & PIANO RECITAL** by Jeanine Thorpe and Christopher Matthews
7.45 **MIDWEEK JAZZ** with Humphrey Lyttelton and his Band and guest artists Stacey Kent and Jim Tomlinson
- THURSDAY 17th 11.45 AT TOYNBEE HALL** Nonesuch Orchestra and Henrietta Barnett School Concert Orchestra with David Drummond conductor and Alexandra Davidson bassoon
12.45 **SONG RECITAL** by Tom Raskin tenor and Nicholas Chalmers piano
7.45 **PETER DONOHOE** Celebrity Piano Recital
- FRIDAY 18th 12.45 CHAMBER CONCERT** Ensemble from the Southbank Sinfonia with programme suitable for children of all ages
7.45 **LONDON COMMUNITY GOSPEL CHOIR**
An evening of exhilarating and uplifting music
- SATURDAY 19th 12.45 CLARINET AND PIANO RECITAL** Catriona Scott clarinet and Catherine Milledge piano
7.45 **THE BARBICAN PIANO TRIO** Gaby Lester violin, Robert Max cello, James Kirby piano with James Boyd viola and Mary Scully double bass
- SUNDAY 20th 7.45 LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS** celebrating Finchley Chamber Orchestra's 50th Birthday, with David Lardi conductor, Alon Goldstein piano and Melanie Marshall mezzo soprano

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Usual concessions available on the night. Light refreshments available.