
FAUST ENSEMBLE

October 2015 news

NEXT CONCERT

Autumn chamber series - Recital with Mark Austin and Lauren Fagan

Following on the delightful French songs recital that took place in July, the next Penn House recital will take place on **Saturday 14 November 2015 at 7:30 pm.**



Lauren Fagan, an Australian soprano who is currently a member of the Royal Opera House Jette Parker Young Artist Programme, will join **Mark Austin** to perform a demanding programme including Strauss' *Four Last Songs*, as well as songs and arias by Rachmaninov, Bizet, Torroba and Catalani.

"I dreamt awhile" - Visions of Romanticism

Lauren Fagan - mezzo soprano



Mark Austin - piano

Penn House
Saturday 14 November 2015, 7:30 pm

£25 general admission
including interval reception with wine and canapes

Priority for booking has been given to Faust Ensemble Friends and Patrons but **there are a few tickets left**. Do not miss this fabulous concert in an intimate and exclusive setting!

Apply for tickets by email

Please note you need to purchase tickets ahead of the event to be able to attend.
There will not be any tickets available on the door.

EDUCATIONAL CONCERT 'Winter' with Seer Green and Butlers Court Schools

Following the success of the 2014 Christmas concert with Seer Green Choir, Faust Ensemble will return to Beaconsfield on 28 November and join forces with Seer Green CoE and Butlers Court Schools to perform a **winter-themed concert** featuring various songs and Christmas carols, Vivaldi's *Winter*, Corelli's *Christmas Concerto*.



2015-2016 SEASON
Next concert dates

Saturday 14 November 2015
7:30 pm

*"I dreamt awhile" - Visions
of Romanticism*

Lauren Fagan soprano



Mark Austin *piano*

Penn House

£25 incl. drinks & canapes

[Apply for tickets](#)

In the afternoon leading to the concert, Faust Ensemble will deliver a **music workshop** to involve the children and help them make the most of their experience with a professional orchestra.



Join us for this family concert!
Tickets are £10 only and children under 16 are free.

Pre-book tickets by email

ANOTHER UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL
PROJECT
'Music Day' at Darell Primary School

Thanks to the generous support of Richmond Parish Lands Charity (RPLC), Faust Ensemble will deliver a **'Music Day' at Darell Primary School** in Richmond early December.

Mark and 9 players of the orchestra will perform 6 workshops and a final concert to the c. 300 children during a day filled with music!



Saturday 28 November 2015
6:30 pm

**'Winter' - Educational
concert**

With Seer Green and Butlers
Court Schools

St Mary's and All Saints,
Beaconsfield

£10, under 16s free

[Book tickets](#)

Saturday 6 February 2016
7:30 pm

The path of German music

Jonathan Rees *cello/gamba*

Mark

Austin *piano/harpsichord*

Dr Charlotte Lee *speaker*

£25 incl. drinks & canapes

Penn House



Friday 4 March 2016
7:30 pm

Spohr *The Last Judgement*

This is an exemplary educational project as Faust Ensemble partners with a local charity to take top quality music-making into a local school and makes a difference in their own environment.

With Cambridge University
Musical Society Chorus

LSO St Luke's. London

RPLC

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Sunday 6 March 2016
8:00 pm

Spohr *The Last Judgement*

With Cambridge University
Musical Society Chorus

West Road Concert Hall,
Cambridge

A GREAT CONCERT...
'Intimations of autumn' - 18 & 19 September 2015

Under Mark Austin's baton, Faust Ensemble performed to its highest level!



Concert in St Mary's and All Saints, Beaconsfield on 18 September 2015
in aid of Bradbury House

The programme included Puccini's *Crisantemi*, Haydn's Symphony no. 49 in F minor 'La Passione' and Mozart's *Sinfonia concertante* in E-flat major.

The Beaconsfield concert was **reviewed in local press:**

"The Faust Ensemble played with great sensitivity sending shivers down the spine"

"The musicians, soloists and conductor were as one during the entire piece, so beautifully was it played."

[See Kay Johnson's full review online.](#)

Swept along on a night of joyous, exhilarating music

Music-lover Kay Johnson reviews the gala charity concert at St Mary's and All Saints in Beaconsfield



THIS was the first time I played with great sensitivity had attended a concert sending shivers down the spine by the Faust Ensemble, and from the moment the music began, I was hooked. The second work was by a very sensitive conductor by Haydn, again Mark Austin gave a light touch to the piece. It was performed during Holy Week in a church in Beaconsfield. The Faust Ensemble played with passion from the first note to the last. The music was played with such sensitivity and understanding of the composer's intent. The Faust Ensemble played with such sensitivity and understanding of the composer's intent. The Faust Ensemble played with such sensitivity and understanding of the composer's intent.



Concert in St Anne's, Kew Green on 19 September 2015

And our soloists performed brilliantly!

Eloisa-Fleur Thom (violin)
and
Elitsa Bogdanova (viola)



Thank you very much to all our supporters for making both concerts possible and to all our audience members for their presence and kind words!

"We were thrilled with the event on Friday - thank you so much! The music, as usual, was wonderful!"

"A wonderful concert last night - the soloists were exceptional and the ensemble sounded amazing"

"We all so much enjoyed the concert - sublime music, it really was magical."

"Thank you and your musicians for a wonderful evening"

"Stunningly good"

... PRECEDED BY THE MOST AMAZING WORKSHOP! Orchestral workshop with Davenies and High March pupils

A 1-hour workshop led by Mark Austin, with 17 players in the orchestra (strings + oboes + French horns) for approximately 200 children (years 5-8) coming from both Davenies and High March Schools in Beaconsfield.



It included demonstration of 5 different instruments, singing 'Frere Jacques' as a canon, conducting lesson for 6 lucky pupils, an introduction to musical forms, live performances by the orchestra, questions & answers, etc.



The feedback from all involved was very positive, we all had such a great time!

"The girls loved it and found it inspiring and educational. It was all very well planned and pitched highly appropriately."

Richard Elliott
Director of Music, High March School

"The ensemble playing was truly excellent - you have a great team of musicians there! Most certainly ensemble playing at its best. I think they (and you!) had a good rapport with the kids too - which is not something necessarily easy to achieve so quickly. Well done indeed and thank you to all involved. It would be fantastic to work with you again in some way in the future."

David Harrison
Head of Music, Davenies School

"We all thoroughly enjoyed yesterday's workshop, thank you. It was a great idea to bring the boys (and girls) along to the church on the day of the concert, something that you could extend to other schools on future occasions. Well done for pitching your talk at just the right level, and, as always, for performing to such an exceptional level."

Janet Churchouse
Music Administrator, Davenies School



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Starting from £4 a month, you can help the orchestra inspire current and future

audiences, as well as give talented young professionals the opportunity to perform chamber orchestra repertoire to the highest level.

Join us in making it happen and receive exclusive advantages such as reserved seating for our concerts, 'behind the scenes' latest updates, acknowledgment in the concert programmes and much more!

For more information:

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