

WIMBLEDON CHORAL

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Dear Friend of Wimbledon Choral

After what was, hopefully, an enjoyable summer WCS looks forward to sharing with you our music for 2026/2027. We are rehearsing two pieces by Argentinian composers: *Misatango (Misa a Buenos Aires)* by Martin Palmieri and *Lamentaciones de Jeremias Profeta* by Alberto Ginastera.

The former is a tango-style setting of the Mass. It is enjoyably different and features, as well as our voices, a bandoneon which we will not hear in "real life" until Concert day (<https://www.bandoneon.co.uk/faq>) - come and hear with us. The latter sets an extract from the Book of Lamentations sung unaccompanied.

We perform these works on **Saturday November 14** at Southwark Cathedral. We hope you will come, enjoy, & support us in your usual wonderful way. Tickets are via: www.wimbledon-choral.org.uk/tickets. You will be able to reserve your seats by sending me numbers of ticket bought and preferred seating.

We performed the world premiere of "Critical Mass", (commissioned by WCS) last singing year and are recording it on October 22. It would be wonderful if the cd were to be available in time to be a Christmas gift. Watch this space!

Our Christmas Carol Concerts are at 1530 and 1800 on **Saturday December 12** – please save the date. Christmas would not be Christmas without us all getting confused over standing up and sitting down whilst singing Twelve Days!

In addition to Concerts, Friends are invited to explore Beethoven's Mass in C at a Come & Sing on **Saturday March 6 2027** at St Mark's Church, Wimbledon; and to join us for Merton SingFest on **Saturday May 8 2027** (a chance to hear a variety of music by singers of all ages) – both should be uplifting and joyous days.

WCS has worked with Merton Music Foundation on SingFest. MMF is welcoming adult singers to 'Magic, Mystery & Mayhem', an introduction to Opera at New Wimbledon Theatre on Friday November 6 at 1030 or 1330. There is a proviso. Tickets (£2.50) must be booked as a group (not individually) via email to: oscar.wood@mmf.org.uk. WCS is not making a Choir booking. If you are interested and belong to a singing group you may be able to make a booking.

Thank you for supporting Wimbledon Choral. We could not do what we do without you. At this time of year, we thank you for your invaluable support and hope you will renew your Friend subscription. Payment (we recommend £50 for individuals and £80 for couples) can be made by bank transfer to: Santander A/c 27249400, Sort Code 09-01-51; if you have paid please would you let me know? If, for any reason, you do not wish to renew please would you advise me?

That is all for now other than to say that some Friends Membership cards have been distributed but, to ensure all Friends have received one, a further card will be posted with the 2026/7 Program. I look forward to seeing you in November.

Kindest Regards and Thank You.



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