

About the WSO In 1969, a group of musicians at Cartrefle College in Wrexham got together to form the Clywedog String Ensemble. Little did they realise that some 50 years later, the Ensemble would be a full complement Symphony Orchestra of some 60 or so members, performing extraordinary works to exacting standards. It has been a truly remarkable journey and today, Wrexham Symphony Orchestra is one of the most progressive orchestras in the North Wales and North West England area, and regularly attracts professional conductors and outstanding soloists.

We perform our concerts in Wrexham's premier performance arts venue, the William Aston Hall at Wrexham Glyndŵr University, with whom we have a close and strong relationship. We rehearse, normally in the Hall, on Wednesday evenings, from 7.15pm to 9.30pm, and usually on the final Friday evening and the day of the concert. Vacancies for new players are often limited, but we are always keen to hear from good musicians of all ages, including schoolchildren and students. Please approach us at a concert, via social media or by email to wrexhamso@gmail.com.

Web and Social Media

Website: www.wrexhamorch.co.uk

Email: wrexhamso@gmail.com

Twitter: @wrexhamorch

Facebook page: www.facebook.com/wrexhamorch

Join Our Friends Membership

We have a growing Friends of the WSO membership and welcome new members to join, support and encourage us and be guaranteed tickets for our concerts. Our Friends scheme for 2018-2019 provides four tickets and programmes per person (one for each of the 2018-2019 season's William Aston Hall concerts) for the price of three – a **saving of 25%**. You are also entitled to join the Friends and Supporters VIP area before each concert and receive a complimentary pre-concert drink of your choice.

Friends prices (per person) for the 2018-2019 season are £36 for stalls tickets, £30 for stalls concessions and £42 for the balcony (no concessions).

Friends can also take advantage of our pre-concert supper arrangement with The Lemon Tree restaurant in Wrexham, which is available on concert days and offers 2 fixed price menu options. You can call them directly (01978 261211) quoting "WSO Supper Menu" to reserve your table.

For more details on becoming a Friend, or to discuss any Friends issues or queries with us, please contact us by email at wrexhamso@gmail.com or by writing to: WSO Friends Secretary, 26 Park Avenue, Wrexham LL12 7AH.

2018-19 Ticket Prices and Sales

Stalls: £10, £8 (adult concessions), £2 students (including school pupils and young children)
Balcony: £12 (no adult or child concessions)
Family Tickets Stalls: £20 (2 adults and up to 4 children)

Tickets are available from

www.wrexhamorch.co.uk/tickets.html

Wrexham Glyndŵr University

Mold Road, Wrexham. LL11 2AW

Telephone: 0844 888 9991

Online: www.glyndwr.ac.uk/en/events

Wrexham Tourist Information Centre

Lambpit Street, Wrexham LL11 1AR

Telephone: 01978 292015

Llangollen Tourist Information Centre

Y Capel, Castle Street, Llangollen LL20 8NU

Telephone: 01978 860828

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4 Old Chapel Court, English Walls

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Wrexham Symphony Orchestra

Orchestra in Residence at Wrexham Glyndŵr University

Honorary President:

Professor Maria Hinfelaar BA, MA, PGCE, PhD
Vice Chancellor - Wrexham Glyndŵr University

Concert Season 2018-2019



Concert Schedule

Saturday September 15th, 2018

Saturday November 24th, 2018

Saturday February 23rd, 2019

Saturday May 4th, 2019

Saturday July 20th, 2019

Concert Venue

(unless otherwise stated)

William Aston Hall,

Wrexham Glyndŵr University,

Mold Road, Wrexham LL11 2AW

www.wrexhamorch.co.uk

A Spectacular Picnic Proms in the Park

Come and join with us as we launch our 50th Anniversary concert season in spectacular style.



Our programme will feature music from popular classical pieces, opera gems and blockbuster films.



A dazzling firework display will draw the evening to a close as we join in the traditional flag waving Proms music, songs and anthems.

Conductor: Richard Howarth

Soloists: Rachael Marsh and Andrew Powis

Tickets for the Proms concert are available from the sales counter at the British Ironwork Centre (SY11 4JH) and also online via their website and events pages at www.britishironworkcentre.co.uk

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Nightingale House Hospice
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A Special Commemoration

marking 100 years since the end of The Great War

Saturday November 24th, 2018

at 7.15pm

in association with the Royal British Legion



Walton: Spitfire Prelude and Fugue

Hindemith: Trauermusik

Butterworth: A Shropshire Lad

Elgar: Nimrod - **Panufnik:** Sinfonia Sacra

Williams: Dartmoor, 1912 (from War Horse)

The evening will include an act of commemoration and readings of poems by Wilfred Owen & others.

Conductor: Stephen Threlfall

Director of Music at Chetham's School of Music

Soloist: Rhiannon Collins (Viola)

Saturday February 23rd, 2019 at 7.30pm

The President's Concert in collaboration with



Beethoven – Egmont Overture

Elgar – Sea Pictures

Prokofiev – Symphony No. 5

Conductor: Leon Bosch

Soloist: Rebecca Afonwy-Jones (WNO)

50th Anniversary Gala Concert

Saturday May 4th, 2019 at 7.30pm

'A Members Choice Selection'

Come, celebrate with us and our special soloist



Vicky Yannoula, Music Director

Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod

Stravinsky – The Firebird

Rachmaninoff – Piano Concerto No. 2

Rimsky-Korsakov – Scheherazade

Conductor: Mark Lansom

Soloist: Vicky Yannoula (Piano)

Saturday July 20th, 2019 at 7.30pm

*'... the music of the Planets
enables the mind to
acquire some
comprehension of the
vastness of space'
Gustav Holst*



Shostakovich – Festive Overture

Sibelius – Violin Concerto

Holst – The Planets

Conductor: Richard Howarth

Soloist: Sophie Rosa (Violin)



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