



EVENT PROGRAMME

A TASTE OF CHRISTMAS

Thursday, 11 December 2025, 8.00pm

Windsor Building Auditorium

featuring

Royal Holloway Big Band, 'Undergraduated'

Royal Holloway Brass Band

Founder's Choir of Royal Holloway

with

James Begg Conductor

Daniel Ayers Conductor

There will be a short interval during this evening's event, where refreshments will be available in the foyer. All donations received this evening go directly to our performers.

Estimated event finish time: 10.00pm

Please no flash photography or visual/audio recording throughout the event.

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THE SET LIST

A TASTE OF CHRISTMAS

Nat King Cole

The Christmas Song

Claudia Burson Trio (John Lewis)

Skating in Central Park

Walt Weiskopf (Paul McCartney)

Wonderful Christmastime

Denzel Sachs (Hugh Martin and Ralph Blane)

Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas

James Pierpont

Jingle Bell Bossa

INTERVAL

Trad. (arr. Rodney Newton)

Gaudete

Jem Finer & Shane MacGowan (arr. Jock McKenzie)

Fairytale of New York

Congregational Carol

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Peter Warlock (1894-1930)

Bethlehem Down

Barry Ferguson (b. 1942)

People Look East

Congregational Carol

God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen

Pat Ballard (arr. Leigh Baker)

Mr Snowman

Mariah Carey & Walter Afanasieff (arr. Peter Ratnik)

All I Want for Christmas is You

Congregational Carol

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing



CONGREGATIONAL CAROLS GET INVOLVED!

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL

O Come, All Ye Faithful

1. O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!
Come, and behold Him, born the King of angels!

Chorus:

*O come, let us adore Him;
O come, let us adore Him;
O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord!*

2. God of God, Light of Light,
lo, He abhors not the virgin's womb;
very God, begotten not created;

[Chorus]

3. Sing, choirs of angels; sing in exultation;
sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!

[Chorus]

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL

God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen

1. God rest you merry, gentlemen,
let nothing you dismay,
remember Christ our Savior
was born on Christmas Day
to save us all from Satan's pow'r
when we were gone astray.

Chorus:

*O tidings of comfort and joy,
comfort and joy;
O tidings of comfort and joy.*

2. From God our heav'nly Father
a blessed angel came
and unto certain shepherds
brought tidings of the same;
how that in Bethlehem was born
the Son of God by name.

[Chorus]

3. "Fear not," then said the angel,
"Let nothing you affright;
this day is born a Saviour
of a pure virgin bright,
to free all those who trust in Him
from Satan's pow'r and might."

[Chorus]

4. The shepherds at those tidings
rejoiced much in mind,
and left their flocks afeeding,
in tempest, storm, and wind,
and went to Bethlehem straightway,
this blessed Babe to find.

[Chorus]

5. Now to the Lord sing praises
all you within this place,
and with true love and brotherhood
each other now embrace;
this holy tide of Christmas
all other doth deface.

[Chorus]

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King:
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"

Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with th'angelic hosts proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Chorus:

*Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King"*

2. Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come,
offspring of the Virgin's womb:
veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail th'incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel.

[Chorus]

3. Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.

[Chorus]

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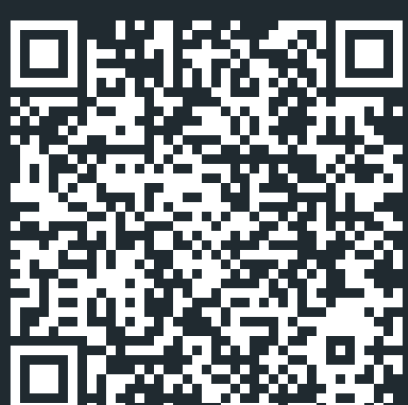


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