

GRAND ORGAN FESTIVAL 2016

From April to November 2016, Westminster Cathedral presents a series of eight concerts on one of the world's finest organs. The unique and inspiring atmosphere of the Cathedral's sacred space creates a magnificent setting for organ music, and the position of the great four-manual instrument high above the West Door provides the listener with the most direct and comprehensive range of sound and colour of any cathedral organ in the country.

The Grand Organ of Westminster Cathedral is considered by many to be the greatest achievement of Henry Willis III, one of England's finest organ builders. Since its inauguration in 1922 by Marcel Dupré (who was an influential figure in its design), the instrument has been heard in concerts played by many celebrated organists from around the world: Louis Vierne, Fernando Germani, Jeanne Demessieux, Pierre Cochereau, Jean Langlais, George Thalben-Ball, Ralph Downes, Jean Guillou and Dame Gillian Weir have all performed here to great acclaim.

The **Grand Organ Festival 2016** offers an opportunity to hear some of the finest British and international artists playing a wide variety of music. **Tickets** to each concert are **£12** (£10 concessions) and a **Season Ticket** giving admittance to all eight concerts is available for **£60**. Tickets may be purchased on the door or in advance from the **Music Administrator**:

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PERFORMERS & PROGRAMMES



JANE PARKER-SMITH

London

20 April

Karg-Elert Fantasia & Fugue in D Op. 39b
Duparc Aux étoiles, tr. Paul Fournier
Guilmant Sonata No. 5 in C minor
Rachmaninov Prelude in G minor Op. 23v, tr. Gottfried H Federlein
Whitlock Fantasie Choral No. 1
Widor Final from Symphony No. 7 in A



BJØRN ANDOR DRAGE

Bodø, Norway

18 May

Mendelssohn Prelude & Fugue in D minor
Reger Chorale Fantasia *Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme* Op. 52ii
Jon Laukvik Via Crucis
Grieg Norwegian Dance No. 4 from Four Norwegian Dances Op. 35
Grieg Notturmo & Scherzo from Lyric Pieces Op. 54iv & v
Grieg Jølstring from 25 Norwegian Folk Songs and Dances Op. 17v
Johan Svendsen Festival Polonaise Op. 12
Johan Halvorsen Entry March of the Boyars
Harald Sæverud Ballad of Revolt Op. 22a, No. 5



KEVIN BOWYER

Glasgow University

22 June

Bach Partita *Sei gegrusset, Jesu, gutig* BWV 768
Mendelssohn Sonata No. 5 in D
Alan Gibbs Viewpoints
Dupré Variations sur un Noël
Ernest Tomlinson Little Serenade
Reger Symphonic Fantasia & Fugue Op. 57

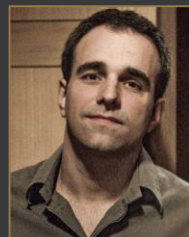


PETER STEVENS

Westminster Cathedral

20 July

Tournemire Triptyque from L'Orgue Mystique No. 26
Bach Passacaglia BWV 582
Böhm Vater unser im Himmelreich
Roger-Ducasse Pastorale
Alain Variations sur un thème de Clément Jannequin
Dupré Deuxième Symphonie



JUAN DE LA RUBIA

Sagrada Familia, Barcelona

31 August

Bach Toccata & Fugue in E BWV 566
Bach Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam BWV 684
Bach Valet will ich dir geben BWV 736
Bach Erbarm dich mein, o Herre Gott BWV 721
Franck Choral No. 2 in B minor
Vierne Clair de lune from 24 Pièces de Fantaisie
Durufié Choral varié sur le thème du Veni Creator Op. 4
Wagner Entry of the Gods into Valhalla from Das Rheingold, tr. Lemare



ANDREW LUMSDEN

Winchester Cathedral

21 September

Reger Introduction & Passacaglia in D minor
Alain Le jardin suspendu
Mendelssohn Prelude & Fugue in C minor
Vierne Arabesque from 24 Pièces en style libre
Franck Choral No. 1 in E
Alain Deux danses à Agni Yavishta
Bridge Adagio in E
Guilmant Sonata No. 1 in D minor



MARTIN BAKER

Westminster Cathedral

19 October

Reger Chorale Fantasia *Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott* Op. 27
Bach Contrapunctuses I, III, IV, VIII, X, XI & XIV
from The Art of Fugue BWV 1080
Reger Fantasia & Fugue on BACH Op. 46



VINCENT DUBOIS

Notre Dame de Paris

23 November

Widor Allegro vivace from Symphony No. 5 in F minor
Vierne Impromptu & Toccata from 24 Pièces de Fantaisie
Durufié Prélude et fugue sur le nom d'Alain
Dupré Symphonie-Passion

All the **Grand Organ Festival 2016** concerts are given on **Wednesdays**, commencing at **7.30pm** and last approximately 75 minutes. Ticketing information may be found overleaf.