



Wordsworth 250th Celebration Concert – Saturday November 20th, 2021
Kendal Parish Church 7:30pm

Joshua Ellicott – Tenor

CFC Orchestra – leader: Roland Fudge

Conductor: Ian Jones

Programme:

Jonathan Millican: Influence of Natural Objects (New Commission)
Roland Fudge: Child of the Clouds (New Commission)
Gerald Finzi: Intimations of Immortality

Dear Singers,

Many thanks to those of you who have signed up! So far we have S 10, A 24 (!), T 3(!), B 11 so there's a long way to go yet certainly to achieve a balance. Come on tenors – where are you?

Many who signed and paid last year have not re-applied. **Please do so if you want to sing in November!** We must have accurate numbers so don't leave us to guess, please.

Here are the details again in case we missed you first time around:

Wordsworth 250. Our celebration concert is now to be on November 20th in Kendal Parish Church. We are very excited that we have been able to secure Joshua Ellicott, one of our leading tenors, as our soloist.

Many of you will remember the Finzi piece from 2010 and will, we're sure, welcome the opportunity to re-visit this wonderful music. Alongside it this time we have the privilege and thrill of two world premiere settings of Wordsworth texts by two of our most accomplished local composers.

We will follow the usual rehearsal pattern of varying the times and days so that you can fit in the maximum number of attendances around your regular commitments. We very much hope that the Saturday rehearsals will make this easier for you as well. As usual we rely on your judgement with regard to how many rehearsals you attend.

At our last concert, the Berlioz Te Deum, we experienced some difficulties in accommodating all the chorus singers because of health and safety regulations so we are limiting the size of the chorus to 110 singers. We will have to maintain a balance between the parts of course so this could mean disappointing some singers. Our advice is to apply early!

If you applied for this concert in 2020 please fill in the application form again (below) but do not send the subscription. Your previous payment will be carried over!

Scores: Scores of the Millican and Fudge pieces will be supplied. Please let us know if you wish to borrow a Finzi score.

Rehearsals in Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal.

Mornings (am) – 10.15-12.30; Afternoons (pm) – 1.15-3.15; Evenings (eve) – 7.15-9.45

Sep: Friday 3rd (eve)
Sat 4th (am + pm)
Friday 10th (eve)
Sat 18th (am + pm)
Wed 22nd (eve)

Oct: Fri 1st (eve)
Sat 2nd (am + pm)
Thu 7th (eve)
Wed 13th (eve)

Nov: Thu 21st (eve)
Wed 27th (eve)
Thu 4th (eve)
Sat 6th (am + pm)

***Sun 14th (1pm-5pm) –
Kendal Town Hall**
***Thu 18th (7pm-10pm) –
Kendal PC**
***Sat 20th (2pm-5pm) –
Kendal PC**
Performance: 7.30pm
***Compulsory**

Reminder:

New Year's Eve 2021 will be celebrated in Carver Church as usual, this time with choruses from Haydn's *The Creation*.

2022 will see the 150th anniversary of Vaughan Williams' birth so we are planning to perform his wonderful *Sea Symphony* – one of the most exciting choral pieces around, and then in **2023** we will celebrate that year's Mary Wakefield Festival by joining forces with the Westmorland Orchestra to perform Beethoven's *Choral Symphony*.

Application Form for the Wordsworth 250 Celebration Concert, November 20th, 2021

Please reply to Margaret Jones, 22 Helme Lodge, Natland, Kendal. LA9 7QA. 01539 720168, or jj_kg@btinternet.com as soon as possible enclosing **£27 registration fee (cheques to Cumbria Festival Chorus)**.

Name(s).....

Voice(s).....

Address.....

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Postcode..... Tel. No.....

Email.....

I would like to borrow a Finzi score: yes/no.....