



# PETITE MESSE SOLENNELLE ROSSINI

Piano: Francis Pott  
Conductor: Jeremy Backhouse

**Vivace**  
Chorus

**Saturday**  
**20th Nov 2010**

**Tickets** £11-£22

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[www.VivaceChorus.org](http://www.VivaceChorus.org)

**7.30pm Guildford Cathedral**  
**6.30pm Pre-concert talk**

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## Petite Messe Solennelle

Over recent years, the Vivace Chorus has performed much Italian music, all to great acclaim: the Verdi *Requiem* and his *Four Sacred Pieces*, as well as Puccini's *Messa di Gloria*. Now we turn to Rossini and his *Petite Messe Solennelle*, a work which is neither very 'petite' (it fills the whole concert programme), nor very 'solennelle' (solemnity surfaces only very rarely). It was written when the composer was 71 and falls under the broad group of works which Rossini described as the 'sins of my old age'. The over-riding mood is light-hearted, joyous, sparkling and, above all, fun!

### Vivace Chorus Welcomes New Members

Vivace Chorus is always keen to recruit new members, so do come along to one of our rehearsals, which take place on a Monday evening from 7.30 pm to 9.30 pm in Holy Trinity Church at the top of Guildford High Street.

Contact our Membership Secretary, Jane Brooks, at [membership@vivacechorus.org](mailto:membership@vivacechorus.org) for more information.

Whether you wish to join us or just have a fun-filled day of music, you will also be very welcome at our next 'Come and Sing' day on 22nd January.

This season would be a momentous one in which to join the Choir. Vivace Chorus is promoting a performance of Mahler's Symphony No. 8 at the Royal Albert Hall with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and four guest choirs (the London Symphony Chorus, The London Chorus, Romsey Choral Society and Tiffin Boys' Choir).

Mahler's Eighth opened the 2010 Proms and seats were sold out in the within hours after booking opened, so don't miss your chance.



Promoted and performed by

**Vivace Chorus**

with four other choirs,  
including the

**London Symphony Chorus,**  
and the

**Royal Philharmonic Orchestra**

Tickets: [www.royalalberthall.com](http://www.royalalberthall.com) (020 7589 8212) or at our November concert, where you can also leave your details if you are interested in coach travel to and from the Royal Albert Hall.

### Pre-concert suppers before our November concert

are available at The Cathedral Refectory, pre-booking is advisable: 01483 560471

### Interval drinks

are available, please book before the concert.



There is ramped access into the Cathedral via the west door, and to the Refectory Restaurant and toilet facilities from a clearly marked passage to the University beside the Cathedral Offices. A few wheelchairs are available within the Cathedral.

## Dates for your diary

**Sun 12th Dec 2010**

7.00 pm

Holy Trinity Church, Guildford

**The Mayor's  
Christmas  
Concert**

**Sat 22nd Jan 2011**

Registration from 10.00 am

**Come and Sing  
Baroque**

Normandy Village Hall

**Sat 5th March 2011**

7.30 pm

**Broadly Baroque**

Guildford Cathedral

**Sun 15th May 2011**

7.30 pm

**Mahler**

**Symphony No. 8**

Royal Albert Hall

For tickets see details in panel on left.

**Rossini**

**A MAESTRO  
MISUNDERSTOOD**

**Free pre-concert talk**

in The Chapter House  
6.30 pm

We welcome back **Gillian Ramsden**, opera singer, vocal coach and singing teacher, who gave us a wonderful introduction to our November concert last year.

If you do not have a reserved concert seat, you will be able to save a seat in the unreserved area prior to the talk.