

Chantez! A night of French song at G Live

THERE'S beautiful music in the offing at G Live on Saturday (May 21) as Guildford's Vivace Chorus performs *Chantez! A Night of French Song*.

Two pieces by Gabriel Fauré – his *Requiem* and the *Cantique de Jean Racine* – were voted into the top 100 in this year's Classic FM Hall of Fame, with the *Requiem* at 30.

Universally loved as moving and uplifting, it has been used in many films and TV shows, including *Hannibal*, *Mr Selfridge*, *South Park* and *Inspector Morse*.

Following on from a sell-out *Night at the*



**Vivace Chorus are at Guildford's G Live on Saturday.
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Opera in March, the Vivace Chorus is keeping it in the family, with soloists Jocelyn Somerville and Matthew Woods, who both sing with the Vasari Singers, an award-winning and much-recorded London chamber choir conducted by Vivace's Jeremy Backhouse. The choir is also joined by the Brandenburg Sinfonia.

The choir will be singing the very popular *Paris Angelicus* by César Franck. Most recently

used in the film *Philomena* with Dame Judi Dench and Steve Coogan, it was also used in the second St Trinian's movie, and in the TV series *Joan of Arc*.

It is one of the most recognisable pieces of choral music.

To celebrate the spring season, the programme also includes Massenet's *Chansons des bois d'amaranthe*.

Tickets, (£10-£29), from the Glive box office on 01483 369350 or see online at glive.co.uk.