



IPSWICH MUSIC DAY: Classical Stages – Sunday 7th July 2019

Dear all,

Ipswich Borough Council's 28th Annual Music Day will take place in Christchurch Park on the above date. Once again Ipswich Arts Association (IAA) will organise the *Classical Stages*, and as usual IAA has put together a Music Day Classical Stages team, headed by Ivan Gilson, to ensure its smooth running.

This year will also be the 28th time the IAA has run the Classical Stages. As the title suggests, originally the programmes were largely classical in style, but over the last few years IAA has been pleased to widen the field of musical style and genre, which more accurately reflects the exciting range of music performers within Ipswich and the surrounding area. The event is open to all amateur vocal, instrumental groups, school vocal and instrumental groups, and soloists.

4 Venues for 2019: The Wolsey Gallery in Christchurch Mansion, Soane St, IP4 2BE; Bethesda Baptist Church, 9 St Margaret's Plain IP4 2BB; St Margaret's Church, Soane St, Ipswich IP4 2BT and The Ipswich Masonic Hall, 8 Soane St, Ipswich IP4 2BG.

NB Large Instrumental Groups (10+) will perform in St Margaret's Church

Selection of performers: Performers will be selected on the basis of variety and style.

Programmes in each venue will run from 2pm – 4pm. If you have a preferred performance time, please indicate this on the application form. Although we cannot guarantee your request can be granted, we will do our best to create a programme that is as enjoyable for performers as it is for our audiences.

Programme time allocation:

Each solo performer/mixed group will be allocated a total of 25 minutes – which must include any setting up needed and getting on and off stage.

Large Instrumental groups (10+) are allocated up to 40 minutes each, to allow for setting up time.

To take part in this event, please complete the application form and return it to: Christine Pearce, email: cmp0601@hotmail.com, or post to Abbey Farm, Culpho IP6 9DG

by Friday 12th April 2019

With thanks and best wishes,

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