



NEWSLETTER
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IAA Meeting

There will be a General Meeting of Ipswich Arts Association on Thursday 14 May 2020 at 7.30pm at a venue yet to be decided. This is your opportunity to meet the trustees and talk about local Arts matters. Please put the date in your diaries.

Ipswich Music Day 2020

I can now confirm that the Ipswich Arts Association (IAA) Classical Stages for Music Day 2020 will be on **Sunday 5 July**. As usual, I will send out invitations to all IAA members, however, the IAA part of Music Day is open to all amateur music groups and school groups who perform classical, light or folk music. A letter and application form will be sent out on **Tuesday 14 January 2020**. The material will also be downloadable from the IAA website. If you wish to perform for this event please be ready to respond promptly to the invitation. The closing date for applications is Tuesday 31 March.
Christine Pearce, IAA Music Group Rep

FIND Concert

Mike Gregory, Concert Manager for The Suffolk Singers, describes FIND (Families In Need) as a "truly inspirational charity which provides vital services for families in need in Ipswich and the surrounding area." There's a fund raising concert at the Woodbridge Community Centre on 18 January. Good cause... good music... what's not to like?
www.suffolksingers.co.uk

Newsletter Copy Deadline

The next IAA newsletter covers the months of May to August 2020. It's never too early to send in your news, but the final copy deadline is Friday 27 March 2020.
Email: rp.puzzlehouse@btinternet.com



Ipswich Borough Council Collection painting. See Jan 9.

Town Lectures & Concerts 2020

The new brochure for the Ipswich Town Lectures and Concerts gives details of all 12 events in 2020. This very popular IAA initiative, coordinated by Vera Rogers and Joy Bounds, is now in its twenty first year. Events begin at 1pm at Museum Street Methodist Church, Ipswich. Tea and coffee is served from 12.30pm. Admission is free, but a donation at the end helps to cover costs. A minimum of £2 is suggested. For further details contact Vera Rogers on 01473 836972.

9 Jan: Lecture by Emma Roodhouse. A look at Suffolk art from the 18th century to the present day, without giving a mentioning to the "usual suspects", the traditional favourites, Gainsborough and Constable.

13 Feb: Concert by Gusford Primary School Choir, led by Sarah Ingram. The Key Stage 2 children will explore a range of songs, singing in unison, parts and rounds.

12 Mar: Lecture by Ivor Murrell. The history and secrets of malting are revealed by a master of the trade. Ivor was the last person in Suffolk to make malt for brewing using traditional time-honoured techniques.

9 Apl: Concert. The Birkbeck Singers. (*photo below, taken by Geoff Rogers*) Chandra Grover leads the mixed choir in songs that range from rock, pop, swing, folk to musical theatre.





IAA New Trustee

A warm welcome to a new trustee. Carole Creasey (*pictured above*) is a cultural sector project manager who has moved to Suffolk from Wales. Carole's particular interest is around community engagement and the economic regeneration benefits of the cultural industry and she has recently produced a short film, "Sudbury Silk Stories" about the silk industry. Her sector experience and interests include contemporary dance, film, visual art and literature.

Ipswich Chamber Choir News

The ICC welcomes back its founder, Martyn Bagnall, who takes on the role of President. New Musical Director, Benedict Collins Rice has devised a scheme for young singers with a range of extremely valuable benefits at no cost. The ICC will be in concert at St Mary-le-Tower Church, Ipswich, on the evening of 29 Feb. As part of the scheme young singers and musicians are warmly invited to the afternoon rehearsal on the same date at 3.00pm. Details from: ipswichchamberchoir@gmail.com

Bless 'Em All

Felixstowe Musical Theatre will be back on stage at The Spa Pavilion in May. It will be the group's first visit since 2013 when the iconic venue closed its doors. FMT are holding auditions on 16 Jan for their next show Bless 'Em All, which celebrates the 75th anniversary of the end of WWII in Europe. Full audition details can be found on the website: www.felixstowemusicaltheatre.co.uk

Navigating The Music Page

There are many local singers who feel anxious about understanding the instructions on a page of music. A workshop is being organised by Trianon Music Group, The Birkbeck Singers and Ipswich Gilbert and Sullivan Society on Saturday 16 May 2020 at St Mary Stoke Church Hall. Booking will open in January and places will be limited by space. Some singing, some instruction and some fun is promised. Watch the IAA webpage for further details.

World Cinema

Ipswich Film Society have a half-season offer. Enjoy a selection of the best of world cinema in the comfortable surroundings of Screen 1 at the Ipswich Film Theatre. The half-season runs from January to May and offers nine films for an inclusive cost of £21 or £10.50 if you're 25 or under. The selection includes "Phantom Thread" (2017) starring Daniel Day-Lewis, a heart warming French comedy "I Got Life" and a superb love story set in Poland titled "Cold War". Full details of all nine films and an application form can be found at: www.ipswichfilmsociety.org.uk

Conductor Needed

Gippeswyk Singers are looking for a new conductor to replace Geoff Lavery who will step down in 2021 after a tenure of 10 years. If you are interested in the post then download the conductor application pack from the web. www.gippeswysingers.co.uk

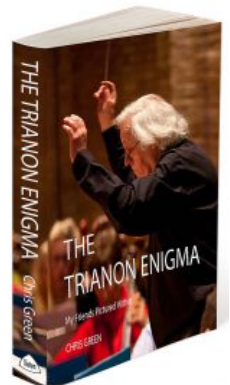
Making Music

Making Music runs a number of local workshops. A series is organised on the role of the chair. Being chair of your group can be a rewarding experience, but also a time-consuming and frustrating one. The session will explore the legal status of the role and how to shape it to suit you, your committee and your group. There is a workshop in Ipswich on 18 January 2020. Contact Making Music.

The Trianon Enigma, my friends within

By Chris Green

This book tells the endearing life-story of Trianon Music Group, one of this region's largest music organisations, at its sixtieth anniversary. Founder, Chris Green, writes with quixotic humour of its development starting with a small Ipswich youth group in the 1950s. Many Trianon members add contributions as does current President John Rutter. Details about purchasing a copy can be found by going to the website: www.tmg.org.uk



DATE	WHAT	WHERE	TIME	CONTACT
Sun 5 Jan	Gippeswyk Singers. Concert	St Michael's Church Centre IP5 3PL	7.00pm	www.gippeswyksingers.co.uk
Thur 9 Jan	IAA Lunchtime Lecture	Museum Street, Methodist Church	1.00pm	www.ipswich-arts.org.uk
Sat 11 Jan	All Aboard with Trianon. Concert	Ipswich Corn Exchange IP1 1DH	7.30pm	www.tmg.org.uk
Sat 18 Jan	Ipswich Bach Choir. Concert	Ipswich School, Ivry Street IP1 3SG	7.30pm	www.ipswichbachchoir.org.uk
Sat 18 Jan	The Limelight Ensemble. Concert	St Peter's by the Waterfront IP1 1XF	2.30 & 7.30	www.stpetersbythewaterfront.com
Sat 18 Jan	Suffolk Singers. Concert.	Woodbridge Community Centre IP12 4AU	7.30pm	www.suffolksingers.co.uk
Sat 25 Jan	Ipswich Chamber Music Soc. Concert	Ipswich School, Ivry St IP1 3SG	7.30pm	www.ipswichchambermusic.org.uk
Sat 1 Feb	Committed to the Blues Brothers	St Peter's by the Waterfront IP1 1XF	7.30pm	www.stpetersbythewaterfront.com
Fri 7 Feb	Zoe Gilby. Concert	St Peter's by the Waterfront IP1 1XF	7.45pm	www.stpetersbythewaterfront.com
Sat 8 Feb	Wolsey Orchestra. Concert	The Apex, Bury St Edmunds IP33 3FD	7.30pm	www.wolseyorchestra.org
Thur 13 Feb	IAA Lunchtime Concert	Museum Street, Methodist Church	1.00pm	www.ipswich-arts.org.uk
Sat 15 Feb	Ipswich Chamber Music Soc. Concert	Ipswich School, Ivry St IP1 3SG	7.30pm	www.ipswichchambermusic.org.uk
Sun 16 Feb	Shlomo's Beatbox. Theatre	New Wolsey Theatre, Civic Drive IP1 2AS	2.00pm	www.wolseytheatre.co.uk
Fri 21 Feb	Suffolk Jazz School. Concert	St Peter's by the Waterfront IP1 1XF	6.30pm	www.stpetersbythewaterfront.com
Sat 22 Feb	Decibells Brass. Concert	St Peter's by the Waterfront IP1 1XF	7.30pm	www.stpetersbythewaterfront.com
Sat 29 Feb	Ipswich Chamber Choir. Concert	St Mary-le-Tower, Tower Street IP1 3BE	7.00pm	www.ipswichchamberchoir.org.uk
Sun 1 Mar	Ipswich Symphony Orchestra. Concert	Ipswich Corn Exchange IP1 1DH	2.30pm	www.ipswichsymphonyorchestra.org
Sat 7 Mar	Trianon. Concert	Waldringfield Village Hall IP12 4QS	7.30pm	www.tmg.org.uk
Sat 7 Mar	Crisium - The Planets. Concert	St Peter's by the Waterfront IP1 1XF	8.00pm	www.stpetersbythewaterfront.com
Thur 12 Mar	IAA Lunchtime Lecture	Museum Street, Methodist Church	1.00pm	www.ipswich-arts.org.uk

Sat 14 Mar	Kerry Ellis. Singing workshop	St Peter's by the Waterfront IP1 1XF	2.00pm	www.stpetersbythewaterfront.com
Sat 14 Mar	Suffolk Constabulary Choir. Concert	Bucklesham Village Hall IP10 ODZ	7.30pm	www.suffolkconstabularymalevoicechoir.co.uk
Sun 15 Mar	Sunday Afternoon Concerts	St Andrew's Church, Rushmere IP5 1DH	3.00pm	www.rushmerestandrews.wordpress.com
Fri 20 Mar	Community Light Orchestra. Concert	River of Life Church, Felixstowe IP11 2FS	7.30pm	www.communitylightorchestra.co.uk
Sat 21 Mar	Stowmarket Chorale. Faure Requiem	Stowmarket Reformed Church IP14 1AD	7.30pm	www.stowmarketchorale.org.uk
Sun 22 Mar	Sunday Afternoon Concerts	St Andrew's Church, Rushmere IP5 1DH	3.00pm	www.rushmerestandrews.wordpress.com
Sat 28 Mar	Gippeswyk Singers. Concert	St Andrew's Church, Rushmere IP5 1DH	7.30pm	www.gippeswyksingers.co.uk
Sat 28 Mar	The Dorian Singers. Concert	St Andrew's Church, Felixstowe IP11 7EB	7.30pm	www.thedoriansingers.org.uk
Sun 29 Mar	Sunday Afternoon Concerts	St Andrew's Church, Rushmere IP5 1DH	3.00pm	www.rushmerestandrews.wordpress.com
Fri 3 Apl	Branco Stoysin. Concert	St Peter's by the Waterfront IP1 1XF	7.45pm	www.stpetersbythewaterfront.com
Sat 4 Apl	Stainer's The Crucifixion. Workshop	Venue to be confirmed	10.00am to 4.00pm	www.ipswichchoralsociety.org
Sat 4 Apl	Bootleg Boss. Concert	St Peter's by the Waterfront IP1 1XF	8.00pm	www.stpetersbythewaterfront.com
Sat 4 Apl	JS Bach. St Matthew Passion	St Mary-le-Tower, Tower Street IP1 3BE	7.00pm	www.stmaryletower.org.uk
Sun 5 Apl	Sunday Afternoon Concerts	St Andrew's Church, Rushmere IP5 1DH	3.00pm	www.rushmerestandrews.wordpress.com
Thur 9 Apl	IAA Lunchtime Concert	Museum Street, Methodist Church	1.00pm	www.ipswich-arts.org.uk
Fri 10 Apl	Stainer's The Crucifixion	St Andrew's Church, Rushmere IP5 1DH	6.00pm	www.rushmerestandrews.wordpress.com
Sat 11 Apl	John Fisher. Gospel/soul. Concert	St Peter's by the Waterfront IP1 1XF	7.30pm	www.stpetersbythewaterfront.com
Fri 17 Apl	Brace of Spades. Cabaret magic show	St Peter's by the Waterfront IP1 1XF	7.30pm	www.stpetersbythewaterfront.com
Sat 25 Apl	Trianon. Concert	Ipswich Corn Exchange IP1 1DH	7.30pm	www.tmg.org.uk
Sat 25 Apl	St Peter's Band/Ips Hospital Choir. Concert	St Peter's by the Waterfront IP1 1XF	7.30pm	www.stpetersbythewaterfront.com