

THAXTED FESTIVAL

2019 Season Preview

Fri 21 June	8.00 pm	Brandenburg Sinfonia – Conductor: Robert Porter <i>Brandenburg players open the 2019 season with Mozart’s Symphony No. 24 and his Sinfonia Concertante, Gershwin’s Lullaby, Peter Warlock’s Capriol Suite, and Tchaikovsky’s Serenade.</i>
Sat 22 June	7.00 pm	Clarinet Goes to Town – The Emma Johnson Trio <i>Versatile clarinetist Emma Johnson and her Trio pay tribute to the early Jazz greats, including Sidney Bechet, Benny Goodman, Artie Shaw and other early Jazz clarinet masters.</i>
Sun 23 June	7.30 pm	Choir of Christ’s College, Cambridge – Director: David Rowland <i>Choral works by Elgar, Parry, Stanford, Howells, Finzi and Vaughan Williams are brought to Thaxted Church’s superb acoustic by one of Cambridge’s leading college choirs.</i>
Fri 28 June	8.00 pm	Classico Latino <i>Expect scintillating Latin rhythms and virtuoso playing from this London-based ensemble who bring their classical skills to the Latin American repertoire, as well as their own original pieces.</i>
Sat 29 June	11.00 am	Family Concert – Prime Brass <i>Our popular relaxed Saturday morning event for all the family features Prime Brass from Cambridge, with a circus-themed programme. Come and enjoy – be entertained and involved!</i>
Sat 29 June	7.30 pm	Brandenburg Sinfonia – Piano: Tom Poster, Conductor: Robert Porter <i>Tom Poster returns as soloist in Schumann’s Piano Concerto and Finzi’s Eclogue for Piano and Strings. Mendelssohn’s Fingal’s Cave and Italian Symphony complete the programme.</i>
Sun 30 June	7.30 pm	Martin James Bartlett, piano <i>The recent winner of BBC Young Musician, a hit locally as well as nationally and internationally, Martin James Bartlett performs a programme of Bach, Tchaikovsky, Scriabin and Schumann.</i>
Fri 5 July	8.00 pm	London Handel Orchestra, with Rachel Brown, flute and recorder <i>Handel’s Water Music and Concerto Grosso, Bach’s Brandenburg Concerto No. 4, and Vivaldi combine in an evening of Baroque works from this leading ensemble.</i>
Sat 6 July	12.00 noon	Riccardo Bonci plays Thaxted Church’s Lincoln Organ <i>London-based Riccardo Bonci brings Thaxted’s unique Lincoln Organ to life with a programme of sacred and secular music drawn from several centuries and traditions: a European extravaganza!</i>
Sat 6 July	7.30 pm	Jonathan Vinten Quartet – Jazz Swing <i>Jonathan has been pianist with many greats on the British Jazz scene, including George Melly and John Chilton. From Art Tatum to Oscar Peterson, he performs a range of styles and swing.</i>
Sun 7 July	7.30 pm	Pop-up Opera – Rossini: Il Turco in Italia <i>The youthful, energetic Pop-up Opera were a great hit on their first visit in 2017. They return with an outrageous farce by the 22-year-old Rossini which is bound to make for an hilarious evening.</i>
Fri 12 July	8.00 pm	Romain Leleu with ‘Ensemble Convergences’ <i>French star trumpeter Romain Leleu, with his ‘Convergences’ string quintet, plays Bach and other Baroque, followed by arrangements of Piazzola, Jobim, Bernstein and other Latin and film music.</i>
Sat 13 July	7.30 pm	Dodo Street Band, with Piers Adams (of Red Priest fame) <i>A fiery evening of Celtic, folk and gypsy Klezmer music in a mix which will be contagious in its rhythms and energy, with the irrepressible Piers Adams and his equally-talented fellow musicians.</i>
Sun 14 July	7.30 pm	Russian Treasures: Tenebrae – Conductor: Nigel Short <i>Leading vocal ensemble Tenebrae return with Rachmaninov, Tchaikovsky and other Russian choral treasures. Exquisite singing, including some of the lowest bass voices we will ever hear!</i>

All events are in Thaxted Parish Church. All information is accurate as of October 2018. Thaxted Festival Foundation reserves the right to amend the programme if required by circumstances beyond its control. Final details will be available in the Thaxted Festival 2019 season brochure, and at www.thaxtedfestival.co.uk, from February 2019.