

**JOIN US TO SING**  
**Messiah for All**

**Tuesday 13 December**  
**2016 at 7.30 pm**

**Bollington Arts Centre**  
Wellington Road SK10 5JR

All proceeds will benefit  
**Duchenne Action**  
and its valuable work supporting  
those affected by Duchenne  
Muscular Dystrophy.

**Tickets £6: 01625 261933**  
**Booking essential!**

*Messiah for All* is another Bollington tradition started by Dr John Coope. From a modest beginning with a few friends gathered round a piano, it quickly grew to include an orchestra of friends, to pack the Arts Centre, and to raise thousands of pounds for local charities. Don't miss your chance to sing this evergreen favourite!

**JOIN US TO SING in all our concerts!**

Tuesday evening rehearsals at **Bollington Arts Centre** resume on September 6th 2016, 8-10 pm. Like all amateur choirs, we welcome new singers. Unlike many choirs, we have no auditions and much of the music we perform is suggested by our members. You're assured of a warm welcome!

Ring 01625 261933 for details.

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**Inspired by Shakespeare**

**Saturday 11 March**  
**2017 9.30-5.00**

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There's an innovation this year as the Singing Day features music we're singing in our Summer Concert. Singers of all ages and abilities are warmly welcome.

**£15 includes music loan, rehearsal CD and tea / coffee and biscuits**

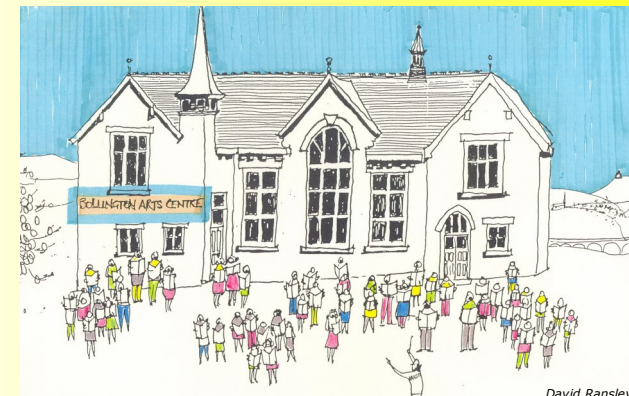
A chance to sing some wonderful choruses from Henry Purcell's *The Fairy Queen* inspired by *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and from *A Shakespeare Ode* by the prodigiously gifted Thomas Linley, born in 1756.

Full details and an application form will be available in December 2016.

**Bollington Festival**  
**Choir**

**2016 - 2017**

**"...happy, confident singers,  
alert to the music..."**



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## ***An English Christmas***

**Sunday  
4 December 2016  
7.30 pm**



*Cecilia McDowall*

Cecilia McDowall is one of our leading composers of choral music. Her exciting *Missa Brevis* features alongside Ralph Vaughan Williams' *Fantasia on English Christmas Carols*, a new work by Donald Judge setting a seasonal text from Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, and uplifting Carols by English composers and arrangers.

## ***The Lord Shall Arise***

**Sunday  
9 April 2017  
7.30 pm**



*J S Bach / Schubert / Handel*

Music by two giants of the Baroque frame that by the great Romantic, Franz Schubert. Bach's Cantata 192 *Nun Danket*, based on the tune we know as *Now thank we all our God* and Schubert's charming *Mass in G* are followed by Handel's stirring Chandos Anthem *The Lord shall arise*, all with a professional soprano soloist and orchestra.

## ***Shakespearian Shenanigans***

**Sunday  
11 June 2017  
7.30 pm**



*William Shakespeare*

Our tribute to The Bard celebrating the 401st Anniversary of his death! Music inspired by Shakespeare, by English composers: high jinks from Henry Purcell's *The Fairy Queen*, stirring choruses from *A Shakespeare Ode* by 'The English Mozart', Thomas Linley, and Vaughan Williams' *In Windsor Forest*, with solo songs performed by Choir members.

Our December and April concerts take place in **St Oswald's Church** Bollington Road SK10 5EG and the June Concert, Singing Day and Messiah for All at **Bollington Arts Centre** Wellington Road SK10 5JR

**Concert Tickets: December / June £10    April £12    (£3 for 18s and under) 01625 575554**

Founded by Dr John Coope MBE in 1964, and conducted since 2002 by Donald Judge, Bollington Festival Choir is a friendly Choir that retains its village roots while attracting members from a wide area. The Choir has always performed some unusual repertoire which is seldom tackled by other choirs, along with requests from members, which feature strongly in this season's programme.