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**Bollington  
Festival**

*Choir*

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# **SINGING DAY**

**Edward Elgar & Alan Simmons**

***The Englishman Abroad***

**Saturday 9 March 2024, 10.00-4.00**

(Registration from 9.30)



**Bollington Arts Centre**

Wellington Road Bollington SK10 5JR

**Information and booking form**

**Choral singers of all ages\* are invited to join us to explore selections from Edward Elgar's *Songs of the Bavarian Highlands* and Alan Simmons' *Over Jordan*, directed by Bollington Festival Choir's conductor Donald Judge, with accompanist Rosalind Hall.**

For just £15 (£5 18 and under) we offer a warm welcome, a light, bright rehearsal space, and the opportunity to join like-minded people in singing melodious and accessible works by English composers setting English texts.

**The Singing Day is a well-established tradition. Previous works have included Requiems by Brahms, Fauré and Cherubini, Masses by Dvořák, Schubert and Gounod, and music by Thomas Linley inspired by Shakespeare.**

*This year's selection makes use of copies kindly donated to Bollington Festival Choir by friends at North Cotswold U3A Choir. **Early booking is advised as places are limited to around 40 singers, to ensure all have their own music.** If you have your own score of either work please let us know.*

Music copies on loan will be provided on the day. We can email rehearsal files on request (free of charge).

*Coffee / tea and biscuits will be provided. Singers are welcome to bring their own refreshments, including a packed lunch. Pubs, cafés and shops include a Co-op supermarket very close to the Arts Centre.*

#### **TIMETABLE**

9.30-10.00 Registration/Welcome  
10.00-11.15 Rehearsal 1 ~ 11.15-11.30 Break  
11.30-12.45 Rehearsal 2 ~ 12.45-1.30 Lunch break  
1.30-3.00 Rehearsal 3 ~ 3.00-3.15 Break  
3.15-4.00 Informal performance for families and friends

\*Singers under 18 need a parent's declaration & signature giving consent: those aged 16 or under / below school leaving age will need an accompanying parent to stay on the premises with them.

**Edward Elgar is a household name, a quintessential English composer who delights with his musical portraits of Bavaria. Alan Simmons is a contemporary composer based in West Yorkshire who often tailors his work to community groups: here he brings 9 Afro-Caribbean spirituals to new life.**

**Ideally, please book using the electronic form on the Choir website [www.bollfestchoir.org.uk](http://www.bollfestchoir.org.uk)**

Or complete this paper form and send it with a cheque (payee Bollington Festival Choir) to Bollington Festival Choir Singing Day, 30 Walton Heath Drive Macclesfield SK10 2QN

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Postcode** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Mobile** \_\_\_\_\_

**Voice** (please circle) **S1 S2 A1 A2 T1 T2 B1 B2**

**I enclose a cheque for £15 (£5 18 and under)**  
(payable to Bollington Festival Choir)

**I would like rehearsal files (Elgar) emailed** **Y N**

**I would be interested to receive email notification of Bollington Festival Choir concerts and events** **Y N**

*We will only use your email for this purpose and will not pass it to any other organisations.*

If you have any further enquiries email [bollfestchoir@gmail.com](mailto:bollfestchoir@gmail.com); use the contact form on the website; or ring 01625 511881