

BOOKING FORM

	Fee	No.	Total
Non members fee (refundable if you subsequently join the choir for 2025 season)	£20		
BACS details 30-99-13 37730768 or cheque made payable to 'The Harry Ensemble Ltd'			

Fees include music, drinks and biscuits and slap up tea.

Bring your own packed lunch

Name* Voice (SATB).....

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*Please provide names of all singers-continue on blank sheet if required

Contact Address.....

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Email.....

Telephone.....

If you have any special needs, let us know.....

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We will acknowledge payment by email but enclose a stamped self-addressed Envelope if you require a receipt

Queries Rachel 07748922058 or email rach.paton@hotmail.com

Come and Sing with



...and conductor

Dr Edward-Rhys Harry

on Saturday 18th January 2025

at Wesley Methodist Church, Queens Road, Reading

to explore

Palestrina

Messe L'Homme Armé

Maria Rosa Coccia

Magnificat

Edward-Rhys Harry

Jubilate Deo



The Harry Ensemble is a dynamic mixed choir that draws its members from London and the South of England directed by Edward-Rhys Harry; its aim is to promote choral music, in all its forms, by rehearsing monthly each season, giving performances on home territory before touring

concerts overseas. The Harry Ensemble is possibly unique in that it seeks to take British and European choral music outside of the UK *every* season.

Recent performances have included premieres of music by Karl Jenkins, Bob Chilcott, Cecilia McDowall and Edward-Rhys Harry in Iceland, New York City and Volgograd, Russia. Following a UK tour in 2015 in order promote their debut recording they performed in Oslo, Norway in 2016 and Karlskrona in Sweden in 2017. 2018 saw a tour to Barcelona including singing in the Sagrada Familia, and in 2019 the choir sang in Iceland. Following tours to Ireland and Valencia in 2022, Tuscany, Italy in 2023 including singing in The Vatican. The choir performed in Karl Jenkins 80th birthday celebration at The Festival of Welsh Music in London and in The Gower, Wales in 2024 with a tour to Latvia planned for 2025.

More info can be found at www.harryensemble.com



Dr Edward-Rhys Harry – Musical Director & Principal Conductor

Dr Harry is an award-winning conductor and composer from Penclawdd on The Gower Peninsula. He has established himself both nationally and internationally as a choral clinician with a passion for vocal music of all genres regardless of whether that is at an amateur or professional level and has conducted the world over.

His original compositions and arrangements can be heard on radio stations and streaming services throughout Europe and beyond and can be downloaded or bought from most music retailers. He has multiple degrees from universities and conservatoires and is currently undertaking a second doctorate in musicology at Miami State University, USA. He was the first Welshman to obtain a degree in Choral Conducting (Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama). He is in demand as a workshop leader and conference speaker across the UK and is devoted to the training and development of emerging choral conductors through his mentorship with several educational organisations, as well as championing new music and conducting education for choirs of lower voices.

He has been awarded fellowships of : The Fraternity of Saint Cecilia, the Royal Society of Musicians, the Royal Society of the Arts, the Guild of Musicians and Singers and the Worshipful Company of Musicians.

In August 2022 Dr Harry was the winner of the coveted Tlws Y Cerddor – the musicians' medal at the National Eisteddfod of Wales (Tregaron) for his Welsh language chamber opera, Yr Islawr – The Basement – a murder mystery set in the basement of a high street department store!

His music is published by Oxford University Press, Boosey & Hawkes, Oriana Publications and Curiad Cyf.,(in Wales) and now by Composers Edition.

Also in August 2022, London Welsh Male Voice Choir were selected as the only choir in a group of 7 winners of the Classic FM Queen's Platinum Jubilee Competition, with their recording of Dr Harry's composition 'A Blessing for Bendigeidfran'

In 2020 Dr Harry was recognised for his 'Outstanding Contribution to the Music of Wales' by the Welsh Music Guild who awarded him the Glanville Jones Award. Recent recordings and performances of his work include his arrangement of 'Llwyn Owen' - originally by female Welsh composer Morfydd Owen – by the BBC Singers, which was also recorded for broadcast by BBC Radio 3 as part of their 80th birthday celebration of 'Composer of the Week' (September 2023)

Dr Harry is an ambassador for the men's mental health charity, 'bLOKs'.

He is represented by Val Withams at Choral Connections Agency. For more information please contact: www.choralconnections.com Or www.edwardrhysHarry.com

09.30-10.15	Registration and coffee
10.30	Welcome and warm up, session 1
11.30	Coffee break
12.00	Session 2
13.00-14.00	Lunch break
14.00	Session 3
15.30	Tea and cakes
16.00	Sing through