



A celebration of art, music, drama and film

Final preparations are underway for this year's East Finchley Arts Festival, which runs at All Saints', Durham Road, and the Phoenix Cinema from 3-11 October. Here director Geoffrey Hanson introduces the full line-up:

Saturday 3 October to Sunday 11 October

Art exhibition: Enjoy our art exhibition every evening from 6pm during the festival and at weekends from noon until 10pm. Art of every kind is for sale, including original oils and water colours, prints, digital art, photographic art, ceramics, sculpture and individually designed jewellery. Twenty five artists, local and international are taking part and 40% of the selling price of each work sold will be donated to the two charities we are supporting this year, Noah's Ark Children's Hospice and the Harington Scheme.



Paul Archibald of LMP (Tuesday).

Saturday 3 October

• **Punch and Judy:** Geoff Felix presents his traditional Punch & Judy Show in All Saints' Church garden, or inside if it's wet. Admission is free with a bucket collection.

• **Come & Sing Handel's Messiah:** We invite you to join us in performing Handel's *Messiah*,



Some of the art that will be on show at the East Finchley Arts Festival at All Saints Church.

conducted by David Lardi. There will be an afternoon rehearsal from 3-6pm, followed by a 7.30pm performance. Refreshments will be provided. Bring your own copy of the music if you have one. Copies will be available. Book your place (telling us your voice): email: eastfinarts@btinternet.com or phone 020 3509 6418. £15 to sing. £5 for audience.

Sunday 4 October

• **Martin School Choir, Samba Band and soloists:** Performance at 2.30pm. Admission is free with a bucket collection.

• **Greenwich Soul Choir & Band:** An evening of the best of soul music from classic to modern – Four Tops, Stevie Wonder, Sam Smith and Emeli Sande – something for everyone who loves this genre of music. Directed by Abi Gilchrist. Performance from 7.30pm. Tickets: £20 / £15 / £10.

Monday 5 October

• **Michael Broadway:** Michael Broadway plays his Orchestrelle Company "Push Up Pianola" of 1914 in a programme of music by Holbrooke, Quilter, Albeniz, Ireland, Stanford, Casella and notably the *Tarantella Diabolica* by John Blood, a work virtually unplayable except on the pianola, 7.30pm. Tickets: £15/ 10/ £5.

Tuesday 6 October

• **London Mozart Players:** With works by Handel, Barber, Hanson, Copland and Schubert,

this is a welcome return visit of the renowned LMP joined by distinguished trumpeter Paul Archibald who breathes life into festival director Geoffrey Hanson's new work for trumpet

Friday 9 October

• **Kosmos Ensemble:** Sophisticated jazz glides magically into wild Gypsy fiddling, emotive Jewish music into hot-blooded tango, Arabic and Turkish



Dynamic ensemble Kosmos (Friday).

and chamber orchestra. They present an evening of distinguished music making from 7.30pm. Tickets: £20/ £15/ £10.

Wednesday 7 October

• **Divertimenti, string quintet:** This long established group of players has a well-deserved reputation for excellence of playing and choice of repertoire, here including Mozart, Smyth and Schubert. Tickets: £20/ £15/ £10.

Thursday 8 October

• **Kevin Moore in Crocodiles in Cream:** A portrait of Lewis Carroll by David Horlock, touring in celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the first publication of *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* - a moving and compelling one-man show that has toured the world. Performance at 7.30pm. Tickets: £15/ £10/ £5.

improvisation into Greek melodies. As described by Richard Morrison, chief music critic of *The Times*: "telepathic rapport, dazzling virtuosity, serious scholarship, intellectual curi-



Singing cellists Massive Violins. (Saturday 10th)

osity and impeccable musicianship. I defy you not to be mesmerised." Performance at 7.30pm. Tickets: £20/ £15/ £10.

Saturday 10 October

• **Massive Violins:** Seven singing cellists perform their genius versions of rock and pop classics, from Queen to Eminem via Abba, Clean Bandit, Beach Boys, Britney Spears and even some Mozart. It's a good laugh. Performance at 7.30pm. Tickets: £20/ £15/ £10.

Sunday 11 October

• **Brassed Off (15):** Screening at the Phoenix Cinema of the 1997 film starring Ewan McGregor, Pete Postlethwaite, Tara Fitzgerald and Jim Carter. This a typically British bittersweet comedy about a Yorkshire mining town turning to music for inspiration when faced with the loss of its way of life. From 12 noon. Tickets: £9.50/ £7 from Phoenix Box Office www.phoenixcinema.co.uk or 020 8444 6789.

• **Pop Up Opera:** Back to All Saints' for a 7.30pm staged performance of Rossini's *L'Italiana in Algeri* (*Italian Girl in Algiers*) from this talented young group of performers. Tickets: £20/ £15/ £10.

Booking information

Book online via Ticket Source: www.eastfinchleyarts.ticket-source.co.uk. Book in person at Black Gull Books, 121 High Road, 020 8444 4717. Buy tickets at the door, if available. (no credit cards). Full details at our website: www.eastfinchleyartsfestival.org.uk



String quintet Divertimenti (Wednesday).

East Finchley Baptist Church

Just off the High Road in Creighton Avenue N2

Sunday Mornings at 10.30 am

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