

**Members' Composite Recital - All Saints' Earls Barton, Saturday 5th June 2.30pm.** As lockdown restrictions begin to ease, we are really excited to report that we will be holding our first physical event for more than a year, at All Saints' Earls Barton, on Saturday 5th June at 2.30pm.

We invite members and friends to join us for an informal Members' Composite Recital on the Hill organ of All Saints', Earls Barton. The organ features in the current edition of NDOA's *Newsletter* where you can find details of the history and specification of this fascinating instrument.

The Recital will take the form of a very informal 'open-console' event, with everyone who would like to play given individual times for a slot (likely to be a maximum of 10 minutes) during the afternoon. Play what you like, enjoy exploring the sounds of the instrument, practice your music for next Sunday, or just come and listen to the music.

This will be our first physical event since the Spring of 2020, and will, of course, need to follow Covid-19 secure guidelines. You will need to pre-book and to provide contact details in advance, to wear a face covering, to maintain social distancing and remain seated when not playing, and to follow sanitising guidelines on entering the church and before and after playing. The console will be sanitised between players.

We do hope you can join us. If would like to come, whether to play or just to listen, do please pre-book with Richard Tapp, our President at [editor@northamptonorganists.org.uk](mailto:editor@northamptonorganists.org.uk) or by telephone on 01933 664896. Richard would also be pleased to answer any questions you may have about the event.

**Zooming in.** Our Zoom presentations have been very popular during lockdown, and we will continue to offer further Zoom events over the coming months, including one on the early years of the Association as we celebrate our centenary. Full details will be circulated as they become available. We also hope you enjoyed the excellent presentation given recently by **Robin Palmer** and Past President **John Wilson** about their work in Fiji - **Making Music in a Tropical Paradise**. Robin and John have kindly made a copy of their presentation available, which is sent with this edition of *Newsletter Extra*.

**Fugue State Films.** A reminder that Fugue State has most generously offered a 15% discount for our members on *The English Organ* and any of their other films, including their latest presentation *A Legend Reborn: The Voice of King's* which tells the story of the restoration of the organ at King's College Cambridge by Harrison & Harrison of Durham. You can order at [Fugue State Films](http://Fugue State Films) and use the discount code FSFIAO15.

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A warm and welcoming congregation at  
the heart of the village of Earls Barton



**Centenary Organ Scholarships.** Just a reminder that we are continuing to welcome applications from young organists in or around Northamptonshire for a number of organ scholarships to celebrate our centenary. The scholarships will award £100 to be used towards the purchase of music, shoes or other materials to support organ studies, together with recital and concert performing opportunities, assistance in finding a suitable church or parish for experience and practice, and free NDOA membership. Full details of the scholarships, eligibility, and how to apply are on the flyer which is sent with this NE.



**Music Sunday 2021** will take place on Sunday 6th June, and will celebrate the role of music in worship. The participative 'Big Music Sunday Service' will be live-streamed on the RSCM [YouTube link](#) from Lichfield Cathedral at 6pm **on Sunday 6th June**.

Singers can also join for a rehearsal to practise all the music in advance with RSCM Director, Hugh Morris, on **3rd June at 7.30pm** to prepare to join in with full heart and voice on the day. The music is rich and varied, and comes from around the world – which seems especially appropriate at this time, as we all come together to support each other. To book a space [click](#). Supporting resources, including downloadable music packs to share with your choir, and copies to order for individual singers, are available through the RSCM [web-shop](#). BBC Songs of Praise will also be featuring RSCM's Music Sunday on their programme on Sunday 6 June, where they will be exploring the power of music in worship. Details at [Music Sunday | RSCM](#)

**Saturday Concerts** have now resumed at **St Matthew's Church, Northampton**, and on Saturday 17th July at 4pm Richard Roper, Corinne Malitskie and Justin Miller will explore the chamber music of Franz Schubert through violin, piano and cello. Covid-secure measures are, of course, in place. Details and booking from [St Matthew's Church - Northampton : Music - Forthcoming Musical Events \(stmatthewsnorthampton.org.uk\)](#).

**Presto Music** continues to offer worthwhile discounts on sheet music with special offers from time to time. At the moment it is giving 25% off all Kevin Mayhew publications, including the splendid Noel Rawsthorne last verse collections, and 25% off Alfonse Leduc, Hugel and Hammel publications, including their editions of Widor, Langlais and much of the French repertoire. Presto also offers a 10% general discount to anyone in music education, and free 2nd class postage for all orders over £25. Find them at [Kevin Mayhew - 25% off | Presto Sheet Music \(prestomusic.com\)](#).

The recent Government restriction of amateur choirs to six in number continues to cause disquiet amongst many musicians, and a **Parliamentary Petition** has been launched which anyone interested can find at [Allow non-professional singing in groups of more than six indoors - Petitions \(parliament.uk\)](#).

Meanwhile, **John Rutter** has launched a free online resource, **ChoirGuides** to help singers learn and rehearse a number of pieces choral pieces in common use by choirs, including several of his own, virtually at [Home | ChoirGuides](#).

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