

# Programme



Engelbert Humperdinck  
*Hansel and Gretel Overture*  
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Hark the Herald Angels Sing  
(David Willcocks arrangement)  
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Giuseppe Sammartini  
*Recorder Concerto in F (Soloist Judith Bullivant)*  
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Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart  
*Laudate Dominum from Solemn Vespers (Soloist Rhona Coogan)*  
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Sir Edward Elgar  
*Pomp and Circumstance*  
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I N T E R V A L  
*Refreshments*  
20 minutes  
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Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky  
*Extracts from The Nutcracker Suite*  
*Trepak / Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy /*  
*Danse des Mirlitons / Arabian Dance / Waltz of the Flowers*  
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Coventry Carol  
*with The Island Chorus (Director Rhona Coogan)*  
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O Come, All ye Faithful  
(David Willcocks arrangement)  
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Johann Strauss II  
*Thunder and Lightning Polka*  
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Otto Nicolai  
*Christmas Overture*  
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# Programme Notes



## **Christmas Carols**

Sir David Willcocks (1919-2015) is a renowned British choral conductor, organist, and composer. He is particularly known for his choral arrangements of Christmas carols.

## **Engelbert Humperdinck: Hansel and Gretel Overture**

It is based on the Grimm brothers' fairy tale "Hansel and Gretel". The first performance on 23 December 1893 was conducted by Richard Strauss and has since been associated with Christmas.

## **Giuseppe Sammartini: Recorder Concerto in F**

Sammartini (1695-1750) wrote a significant amount of solo sonatas. As a flute player, many of these sonatas were written for the flute, recorder, and oboe.

## **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart : Laudate Dominum K339**

Written in 1780, this is part of a sacred choral work *Vesperae Solemnes de Confessore*. It was composed for liturgical use in the Salzburg Cathedral.

## **Sir Edward Elgar: Pomp and Circumstance No 4**

The Pomp and Circumstance Marches (full title Pomp and Circumstance Military Marches), Op. 39, are a series of marches for orchestra composed by Sir Edward Elgar. They include some of Elgar's best-known compositions.

## **Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky: Extracts from The Nutcracker Suite**

In 1892, Tchaikovsky made a selection of eight of the numbers from the ballet of the same name. The suite became very popular on the concert stage, and was featured in Disney's *Fantasia*.

## **Johann Strauss II : Thunder and Lightning Polka**

One of the fastest polkas, it was performed in February 1868 in the Dianabad-Saal, with the brothers Johann, Josef and Eduard taking it in turns to conduct the Strauss Orchestra. It is played regularly at the Vienna New Year's Day Concerts.

## **Otto Nicolai: Christmas Overture**

Nicolai (1810-1849) was a child prodigy. He was one of the founders and the first conductor of the Vienna Phil. This was written when he was 23 and based on the Bach's chorale "Von Himmel hoch, da komm ich hier."

## *Skye and Lochalsh Orchestra Members*

Musical Director: Iain Roden

Violin I: Wendy Riva (Leader), Jo Cumine, Ilona Morison,  
Rachael Jones  
Violin II: Chris Crighton, Polly McInnes, Philippa Davies  
Viola: Alan Donald, Ashton MacKinnon  
Cello: Bar Purser, Christine Davis, Duncan Watt, Claudia Knott,  
Elaine Ferguson  
Double Bass: Fraser McRobert  
Flute: Meg Rosher, Elisabeth Watt, Satsuki Azuma Barnes,  
Kath Thomson, Laura Grisi  
Piccolo: Laura Grisi  
Oboe: Janet Walker  
Horn: Chris Manvell, Nic Bullivant  
Clarinet: John Hockett, Lynne Anstice-Brown  
Bassoon: Maggie Manvell, Judith Bullivant, Kathy Humphry  
Trumpet: Douglas Strachan, Vanessa Charles, Darach Hynd  
Euphonium: Hugh Morison  
Percussion: Maria Pelletta, Ian Bullivant  
Keyboard: Chris Watkiss



### **The Skye and Lochalsh Orchestra**

Why not join the orchestra? We would love to see you!

Rehearsals are fortnightly (sometimes more often)

in Broadford Village Hall from 10.00 – 13.00.

Contact [enquiries@slo-skye.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@slo-skye.org.uk)

### **The Island Chorus**

It started mid-2015 and now has a membership of nearly 40.

Rehearsals are most Wednesday evenings in Edinbane Hall at 7.30pm.

The choir is not restricted to a specific genre.

New members are very welcome, there is no audition.

For further details you can contact Chris Watkiss [chriswatkiss@hotmail.com](mailto:chriswatkiss@hotmail.com)

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## **THE SKYE AND LOCHALSH ORCHESTRA & THE ISLAND CHORUS**



## *Christmas Concert*

**SATURDAY 16 DECEMBER 2017  
BROADFORD VILLAGE HALL**

**7.30 pm**



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