

# Choral Section

## **PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE**

Friday 21 November 2025 - afternoon and evening

Venue: Holy Trinity Church, Maldon Road, Wallington, SM6 8BL

## **ADJUDICATOR**

**Rebecca Lodge Birkebaek, LRAM**

is a singer, conductor and teacher with over 30 years of experience in choral music. She has worked with choirs and ensembles across the country and is known for her clear, practical approach and strong musical leadership. A former staff member of the BBC Singers and the Chorus of the Royal Ballet and Opera, Rebecca brings a high level of professional experience to her work. She is dedicated to supporting singers of all ages and skill levels, helping them grow in confidence and ability. Her focus is always on honest music-making and effective, expressive ensemble singing. Having had so many wonderful opportunities to perform in the Sutton Music Festival as a child, she is delighted to be returning as an adjudicator!

## **ENTRY RELATED ENQUIRIES**

Choral Section Secretary: Mrs Gwen Russell

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## **AWARDS** - See Festival Rules Paragraph 5

**The H R TAYLOR CHARITABLE TRUST CHORAL AWARD of £100** will be awarded to the most deserving **CHOIR**.

**A CHALLENGE SHIELD** will be awarded to the winner of each class, provided the minimum mark of 85 has been achieved.

**The BOROUGH CHALLENGE SHIELD** will be awarded to the choir giving the best performance overall in classes C, D, E or F

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**A REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT of £25 per choir per class will be required for all classes at the time of entry. The deposit is included in the fees shown below.**

**NB    No Choir may contain more than 80 members**

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| <b>A</b> | <b>OPEN CLASS</b> (see Rule 1)<br>Any age<br>Own choice of 2 or 3 pieces (including Folk-style, Madrigals, Barber-shop etc) for Ladies', Mens', Senior Citizens' or Youth Choirs.<br>Minimum of 4 and maximum of 80 performers<br>(The age limit for Youth Choir members is 21)<br>Time Limit: 10 minutes | £ 45.00 |
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| <b>B</b> | <b>SACRED MUSIC</b><br>Any age<br>Own choice of 2 or 3 pieces<br>Minimum of 4 and maximum of 80 performers<br>Time Limit: 10 minutes                                                                                                                                                                      | £ 45.00 |

## **JUNIOR - 18 YEARS AND UNDER CLASSES**

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| <b>C</b> | Own choice of 2 pieces<br>Minimum of 4 and maximum of 80 performers<br>Time Limit: 8 minutes                       | £ 25.00 |
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| <b>D</b> | Youth Ensemble<br>Own choice of 2 pieces<br>Minimum of 4 and maximum of 16 performers<br>Time Limit: 8 minutes     | £ 25.00 |
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| <b>E</b> | 11 years and under<br>Own choice of 2 pieces<br>Minimum of 4 and maximum of 80 performers<br>Time Limit: 8 minutes | £ 25.00 |
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| <b>F</b> | 7 years and under<br>Own choice of 2 pieces<br>Minimum of 4 and maximum of 80 performers<br>Time Limit: 8 minutes  | £ 25.00 |

***PLEASE NOTE THE CUT-OFF DATE OF SEPTEMBER 1<sup>st</sup> FOR AGE LIMIT***