## Leicester Symphony Orchestra

97th Concert Season Conductor John Andrews



2018-2019



### 97th Season

Welcome to the Leicester Symphony Orchestra 97th season in De Montfort Hall. We hope you will want to join us for all 3 of our varied concerts and make use of our subscription series with significant reductions for booking all 3 DMH concerts.

We are delighted to be working with young dancers from the Ann Oliver Stage School again and to be joined by singers from Leicester Philharmonic Choir to celebrate the 100th year of the composition of Gustav Holst's 'Planets Suite'. The cellist Guy Johnston, former BBC young musician of the year, is our soloist for Elgar's cello concerto in June 2019.

Our pre-concert activities include talks and space science activities provided by Leicester University Physics and Astronomy Department. The option of purchasing afternoon tea from De Montfort Hall is offered before our summer concert.

Following our family concert last year with the introduction of family tickets we have extended this offer to all of our DMH concerts this season.

We have also launched our new website and hope you can find time to take a look. You will find concert information and the opportunity to purchase tickets directly from us with a special LSO saving on individual tickets, plus newly researched LSO historical information, our European tours and previous concerts.

www. leicester symphony or chestra. co.uk

The LSO is also looking forward immensely to our first venture with 'Future Event Production' when we will be playing with the rock tribute band Kazabian in the newly re-furbished Haymarket Theatre on Friday 5th October. This is an additional concert opportunity. See the back page for further information.

## IMPRESSIONS OF SPAIN

WITH ANN OLIVER STAGE SCHOOL

**Sunday 4 November 2018** 

3.00pm • De Montfort Hall

**Chabrier** España

Glinka Overture Espagnole

Lalo Symphonie Espagnole

Rimsky Korsakov Capriccio Espagnole

**Bizet** Carmen Suite

Free Pre-concert talk at 2.00pm with Miss Ann Oliver MBE.

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# MUSIC OF THE PLANETS

### Saturday 9 March 2019

7.30pm • De Montfort Hall

Williams Star Wars

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**Close Encounters** 

**Goldsmith** Star Trek

**Holst** The Planets

with Leicester Philharmonic Choir

Free pre-concert Space science activities at 6.30pm with Leicester University Physics and Astronomy Department.

Retiring Collection for the Lord Mayor's Appeal.

# MUSIC FOR A SUMMER AFTERNOON

### Sunday 9 June 2019

3.00pm • De Montfort Hall

Cello Guy Johnston

Mendelssohn Ruy Blas

Elgar Cello Concerto

**Dvořák** New World Symphony

Free Pre-concert talk at 2.00 with the soloist.

Afternoon tea (sandwiches, scones, ice cream, tea or coffee) available at 1.00pm or 2.00pm for £6.00, by booking directly with DMU box office.

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#### Time on your hands?

The LSO is a local charity and players are high standard local amateurs, most of whom have benefited from a strong tradition of high standard free music education and lessons in school. We pay a subscription to be members of the orchestra because we enjoy playing together, with the aim of providing our audiences with high quality concerts with top class soloists. Balancing our income and expenditure is challenging. We welcome new ideas, energy and enthusiasm and there are many ways non-players can help us, apart from attending our concerts. Each concert season costs us around £30,000 in hall hire fees, PRS fees, soloists, our professional conductor, music hire, transport of large instruments, marketing and promotion. We rely on friends, family and volunteers to help with the many tasks that are essential to produce a concert. If you have some time to spare and would like to help us and find out more about the administration behind an orchestra as we plan for our 100th year please contact us via the website, telephone numbers in the brochure or directly approaching one of our members.

### Friends of the Leicester Symphony Orchestra

Anyone can help the orchestra by making a minimum donation of £15 (individual) or £20 (joint) per season in addition to any tickets purchased. While we aim to cover the costs of each concert by selling tickets expenses have risen and LSO friend's additional donations help with costs such as music hire, soloists fees, additional instrument hire and hall costs. To become a friend of the LSO please contact our ticket secretary.

Friends are welcome to use the 'friends'

and patrons' bar together with orchestra players and can reserve their preferred seats a season in advance. We would like to thank everyone who has supported us as a friend in the past and hope you will continue to support us this season.

Our Friends have also helped in other ways by supporting us as volunteers with front of house, joining us on tours, and sponsoring specific elements of a programme such as paying for a soloist or a specific instrument, or music hire. The LSO has also provided the opportunity for playing pieces friends have composed, inviting them to listen to rehearsals and even have a go at conducting.

If you are interested in supporting the LSO in anyway, or think that we might be able to support you by playing your favourite work or honouring a special event or person, please do please get in contact with Jenny Hand.
Email: jennyhand@hotmail.com or Tel: 0116 210 9374.

#### **Patrons**

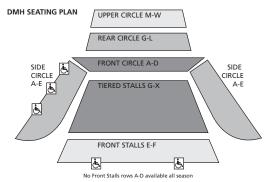
The LSO would like to thank all of our Patrons for their support over the past year and hope that they continue to support us and bring their guests to our concerts. For £160 per year Patrons have 2 tickets per concert and are able to purchase up to 10 other tickets at half price.

#### **Advertising**

Advertising in our programme also supports the orchestra. If you would like to promote your business to our audience and players please consider placing an advertisement in our programme.

If you would like to discuss becoming a patron, renewing your patronage, or advertising with the LSO please contact Sue Witts. Email: info@asksuewitts.co.uk or Tel: 07858 090797.

### De Montfort Hall Concert Tickets



#### **Ticket Prices**

■ Tiered Stalls	£19 PER CONCERT
Rear & Side Circle	£16 PER CONCERT
■ Upper Circle & Front Stalls	£12 PER CONCERT

### Subscription series

'Support the LSO, enjoy all the concerts and save money!'

If you book a subscription series of tickets for all 3 of the LSO De Montfort Hall season concerts you can save money while supporting us with your regular attendance. We love playing to a full hall and regular supporters really help build our audience.

### Concessions

STUDENTS AND UNDER 25s: £5.

**GROUP BOOKINGS:** 1 free place for every 10 tickets booked.

**FAMILY TICKETS:** 2 adults and up to 3 children £35 rear and side circle or £25 upper circle.

**DISABLED:** 2 for 1 – please advise DMH Box Office of any individual requirements including parking.

#### PENSION CREDIT/UNIVERSAL CREDIT:

a number of tickets are available for people in receipt of these benefits Please contact the LSO ticket secretary or purchase your tickets through a member of the orchestra.

### Access information

If you or a member of your party uses a wheelchair, a hearing aid with a T-switch or has other specific access requirements you should contact De Montfort Hall to make specific arrangements. Free accessible parking is available to blue badge holders, but spaces are limited and must be booked in advance through De Montfort Hall.

### Tickets are available from:

Leicester Symphony Orchestra website or Ticket Secretary Sue Mee:

email suemee192003@yahoo.co.uk or tel 01509 569273 with answerphone. www.leicestersymphonyorchestra.co.uk

De Montfort Hall Box Office by telephone 0116 233 3111. www.demontforthall.co.uk

A £2.00 reduction is available on full price tickets purchased through the LSO website or our ticket secretary.

Cheques payable to: LEICESTER SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA LTD

Please include a stamped addressed envelope with your order if you would like the tickets posted in advance. Tickets may also be collected from the LSO programme table on the night of the concert.

Send orders to the Leicester Symphony Orchestra Ticket Secretary, 19 Cotswold Close Loughborough Leics LE11 3AN

Please allow 14 days for all applications.

**Future Event Production presents:** 

## KASABIAN: AN ORCHESTRAL RENDITION

featuring the renowned Leicester Symphony Orchestra & Kazabian (the World's best Kasabian tribute act).

# Friday 5 October 2018 Haymarket Theatre, Leicester

Expect to hear the best of Kasabian's songs from their entire catalogue performed live with amazing lighting and visuals.

Two performances at 7pm and 9pm and the show will last for 90 minutes with a 15 minute interval.



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### **Tickets**

£15 - £20 Adult

£12.50 - £17.50 Students (with valid student card)

**£12.50 - £17.50** Over 65's

**2-4-1** Disabled guests

Tickets available soon from Leicester Haymarket Theatre. **Tel: 0116 2961236 www.hayleicester.com** 

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