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Dear Audience Member,

Isle of Wight Symphony Orchestra: Season Tickets

As the National news looks more positive each day and having weathered the storm of COVID-19 which forced us off the stage for over a year, the IWSO looks forward once more to performing high quality music and introducing an array of talented soloists for our 2021/22 season.

The good news is that the orchestra is resuming rehearsals from 19th May and, if all continues as planned with the Government's Roadmap, we will be giving our first concert of the year on 31st July at the Island Steam Railway. We are intending to start the season proper on Saturday 27th November at 7.15pm, when the IWSO will be returning to the Medina Theatre, hopefully, after almost 18 months' absence.

I would like to thank our existing season ticket holders and I hope that you will consider being a season ticket holder again for next season. Thank you to those that have already responded positively, there is no need to act upon this letter. The dates and programmes for next season are on the reverse.

For those of you who are not season ticket holders but are interested in becoming one, I do expect to have some spaces available. Nearly 300 season tickets were issued for the 2019/20 season but I appreciate that not everyone will be confident in returning to an indoor music making just yet. I would ask you to contact me by phone or email so that I can add your name to a potential waiting list and then I will contact you in August with news

I am pleased to say that we are keeping ticket prices the same for next season. The box office price will be £15 per concert and the season ticket price £13.50. Season ticket holders also get a saving on their programme (normal cost £2.00, season ticket holders £1.50). Ticket prices for under 18s will remain the same. This means that season ticket holders will benefit by £2 per concert as well as knowing they have their chosen seat reserved for the whole season.

Our previous season's concerts sold out, so a season ticket is the best way of ensuring a seat. If you would like to renew your season ticket, and have not already done so, then I would ask you to complete the Return Slip and return it to me by post (**with a S.A.E.**). Please note the return date.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,
Tim Isard
Chairman, IWSO

Programmes 2021/2022

Saturday 27th November 2021, 7.15pm

Tintagel

Arnold Bax

Horn Concerto

Ruth Gipps

soloist: Ben Goldscheider

Symphony No. 5 in C# minor

Gustav Mahler

Saturday 22nd January 2022, 7.15pm

The Fair Field Overture

Malcolm Arnold

Violin Concerto in G minor

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

soloist: Charlie Lovell-Jones

Symphony No. 6 in D

Antonin Dvořák

Saturday 19th March 2022, 7.15pm

The Three-Cornered Hat

Manuel de Falla

Jacob's Ladder (world première)

Louis Mander

Piano Concerto in A minor

Edvard Grieg

soloist: Florian Mitrea

The Banks of Green Willow

George Butterworth.

Variations on an Original Theme (Enigma)

Edward Elgar

Sunday 15th May 2022, 7.15pm

please note this is a Sunday concert

Scènes Pittoresques

Jules Massenet

Violin Concerto in D minor 'Ulysses'

Tim Kliphuis

soloist: Tim Kliphuis

Symphony No. 1 in C minor

Johannes Brahms

Saturday 9th July 2022, 7.15pm

'Saturday Night is Music Night'

Orpheus in the Underworld Overture

Jacques Offenbach

Carmen Suite No. 1

Georges Bizet

Fantasia for Euphonium

Gordon Jacob

soloist: Will Doyle

The Blue Danube

Johann Strauss II

Oxford Street

Eric Coates

Dance Macabre

Camille Saint-Saëns

The Glorious Garden

Debbie Wiseman/Alan Titchmarsh

Capriccio Italien

Pyotr Tchaikovsky