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*Concert Series*  
2019/20

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**Welcome** to the Department of Music's Concert Series for 2019/20 which promises to be another exciting and invigorating year of performances, recitals and world premieres. There are many things to look forward to in the programme including leading Scottish choir Cappella Nova, pianist Ivan Illic and our annual collaboration with the SOUND festival. Add to that our fantastic departmental and university ensembles and our annual celebration of musical talent, the Ogston Music Prize, and you have a wonderful celebration of music making at the University of Aberdeen. I look forward to seeing you there.

*Dr Phillip A. Cooke* | Head of Music

**19** | SEPT  
2019

**King's College Chapel** | 7.30pm  
**Peter McNeill - Horn**

Peter McNeill (Horn) is currently studying at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland and is this year's winner of the prestigious RCS Brass Governors' Prize. Peter is accompanied by Jeremy Coleman.

**26** | SEPT  
2019

**King's College Chapel** | 7.30pm  
**Cargill Trio**

The Cargill Trio - Blair Cargill (piano) Alison MacDonald (cello) and Guera Crockett (violin) - will be performing music by Shostakovich, one of the most popular pieces of chamber music written by Mendelssohn and a short piece by Frank Bridge.

**03** | OCT  
2019

**King's College Chapel** | 7.30pm  
**Ben Light & Brodie McCash**

Alumni Ben Light and Brodie McCash join together in a performance of both solo and duet repertoire featuring percussion and saxophone.

**06** | OCT  
2019

**St. Andrew's Cathedral** | 7.30pm  
**Cappella Nova**

Cappella Nova is Scotland's leading professional vocal consort specialising in medieval, renaissance and contemporary music.

**24** | OCT  
2019

**King's College Chapel** | 6.00pm  
**Diotima & Chris Redgate**

Part of SOUND festival 2019.

**25** | OCT  
2019

**St Machar's Cathedral** | 1.10pm  
**Jillian Bain Christie**

This concert of new music and performance art brings together works linked by a mental health theme. 'The Yellow Wallpaper' is a new work for soprano Jillian Bain Christie and Any Enemy instrumental ensemble developed by Aberdeen-based performance artist Angela Margaret Main and north-east composer Anna McClure. Based on the short story by Charlotte Perkins Gilman, it deals with a woman's struggle with postpartum psychosis after the birth of her child. Other works in the concert by Calum Carswell and Anna McClure were written in response to conditions such as bipolar disorder, and dementia.

**26** | OCT  
2019

**Music Hall, Big Sky Studio**  
5.00pm | **Christopher Redgate & Pete Stollery**

Music for Oboe and Electronics.  
Part of SOUND festival 2019.

**31** | OCT  
2019

**King's College Chapel** | 6.00pm  
**Fidelio Trio**

A concert celebrating the 70th Birthday of Visiting Fellow in Composition, Professor John Casken.  
Part of SOUND festival 2019.

**01** | NOV  
2019

**St Machar's Cathedral** | 1.10pm  
**Roger Williams - Organ & Neil Birse - Piano**

Jazz piano meets pipe organ. Works by Joe Stollery (World Premiere) and Tim Raymond (Scottish premiere), Mary Lou Williams and George Gershwin. Part of SOUND festival 2019.

**02** | NOV  
2019

**Music Hall , Big Sky Studio |**  
5.00pm **TM+**

Musicians from prominent French new music ensemble TM+ make their Scottish debut with an innovative programme of music for oboe, clarinet, cello and harp.

**08** | NOV  
2019

**Butchart Small Hall | 1.00pm**  
**Rediscoveries 12 - Francis**  
**Dhomont**

A concert of music, curated by Pete Stollery (University of Aberdeen) and Adam Stanovič (University of Sheffield) celebrating the work of electroacoustic pioneer, Francis Dhomont.

**11** | NOV  
2019

**Elphinstone Hall | 7.30pm**  
**Ivan Ilic - Piano**

Ivan Ilic is a Serbian American pianist who has explored more unusual repertoire and approaches to performance. He draws upon the mediums of visual art as well as acting and the neuroscience of learning. Tonight's performance is sponsored by Kawai UK and Gordon Bell Pianos. Ivan will perform on the new Kawai Shigeru SK5 piano.

**14** | NOV  
2019

**King's College Chapel | 7.30pm**  
**University of Aberdeen**  
**Chamber Choir**

The University of Aberdeen Chamber Choir perform a concert of English music from the Renaissance to the present day, looking particularly at Madrigals and Partsongs. It will feature pieces from *'The Triumphs of Oriana'* through to evocative works from the early twentieth-century, and finish with some compositions from contemporary English composers.

**18** | NOV  
2019

**King's College Chapel | 12.00pm**  
**Elphinstone Fiddlers**

University of Aberdeen's traditional music ensemble invites you to a concert sure to get your toes tapping. Playing a range of old favourites to more modern compositions from Scotland and further afield, the group explores the boundaries of the traditional genre, welcoming a range of instruments and fiddle styles to bring it into the 21st century.

**21** | NOV  
2019

**St Machar's Cathedral | 7.30pm**  
**University of Aberdeen**  
**Choral Society**

The University of Aberdeen Choral Society presents a varied programme including Vivaldi's Gloria.

**23** | NOV  
2019

**St Machar's Cathedral | 7.30pm**  
**Concert Band**

Please come and join Aberdeen University Concert Band for a variety of music, from concert band classics to more familiar film music.

**28** | NOV  
2019

**St Machar's Cathedral |**  
**7.30pm UoA**  
**Symphony Orchestra**

The University of Aberdeen Symphony Orchestra perform their first concert of the series. They will be performing *Hansel and Gretel*, Humperdinck, *Peer Gynt Suites 1 and 2*, Greig and *Carmen Suites 1 and 2*, Bizet.

**01** | DEC  
2019

**Blue Lamp | 2.00pm**  
**Aberdeen University Jazz**  
**Orchestra / Jazz Band**

Join the Aberdeen University Jazz Orchestra and Jazz Band for some classic jazz as well as some festive fun.

**03** | DEC  
2019

**King's College Chapel | 12.00pm**  
**Frauke Jurgensen - Organ**

The myriad colours of the Aubertin organ delight the ear, in a programme of Medieval, Renaissance, and Baroque music for Advent and Christmas!

**20** | JAN  
2020

**King's College Chapel | 7.30pm**  
**Jonathan Clinch - Organ**

A lecturer at the Royal Academy of Music in London, Jonathan Clinch is an Organist with a focus on English music and culture.

**06** | FEB  
2020

**King's College Chapel | 7.30pm**  
**University of Aberdeen Music**  
**Students - Vocal**

All of the performers involved in this concert are current students studying on the performance course at the University of Aberdeen.

**13** | FEB  
2020

**Butchart Small Hall | 7.30pm**  
**Rediscoveries 13 - Simon**  
**Emmerson**

A concert of music presented by composer and author, Simon Emmerson, who celebrates his 70th birthday this year.

**14** | FEB  
2020

**King's College Chapel | 12.00pm**  
**Avanti Trio**

A combination of violin, cello and piano featuring works by Handel, Henning, Romberg and Gliere.

**27** FEB  
2020

**King's College Chapel | 7.30pm  
Carlaw / Ogston Composition  
Prize Final**

A concert of new music by current composers at the University of Aberdeen. The winner of the composition prize will be announced following the performances. The winner will receive a commission to write a new, larger piece, to be performed in Autumn 2020.

**05** MAR  
2020

**King's College Chapel | 7.30pm  
University of Aberdeen Music  
Students - Instrumentalists**

All of the performers involved in this concert are current students studying on the performance course at the University of Aberdeen.

**06** MAR  
2020

**Butchart Small Hall | 7.30pm  
University of Aberdeen  
Percussion Ensemble**

The University of Aberdeen Percussion Ensemble will showcase a concert featuring contemporary works for both small and large ensemble. Come along to hear a wide variety of music from early percussion works, to more recent pieces.

**12** MAR  
2020

**King's College Chapel | 7.30pm  
University of Aberdeen  
Chamber Choir**

The University of Aberdeen Chamber Choir perform a concert of American music including folksongs, key twentieth-century works and pieces from contemporary American composers, including some UK and world premieres.

**13** MAR  
2020

**King's College Chapel | 6.00pm  
University of Aberdeen  
Saxophone Ensemble**

The University of Aberdeen Saxophone Ensemble was established in 2014 under the directorship of Richard Ingham. They present programmes of classical, contemporary, jazz and rock music, frequently showcasing student compositions.

**19** MAR  
2020

**St Machar's Cathedral | 7.30pm  
University of Aberdeen  
Symphony Orchestra**

The second concert by the University of Aberdeen Symphony Orchestra in the Concert Series performed in the beautiful surroundings of St Machar's Cathedral.

**15** MAR  
2020

**Music Hall, Aberdeen | 7.30pm  
Aberdeen University Concert  
Band**

Please come and join Aberdeen University Concert Band once again as we return to St Machar's Cathedral for our end of year concert.

**26** MAR  
2020

**Butchart Hall | 7.30pm  
University of Aberdeen  
Choral Society**

The University of Aberdeen Choral Society presents Brahms *Requiem*.

**27** MAR  
2020

**King's College Chapel | 7.30pm  
Ogston Music Prize Final**

University of Aberdeen music students compete for the prestigious Ogston Music Prize in a final which showcases the outstanding performance standards within the department. This years judges are Phillip Cooke - Head of Music, Fiona Kennedy CBE and John Logan - Head of Brass at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland.

**Dates TBC** MAR  
2020

**University of Aberdeen  
Opera Society**

The University of Aberdeen Opera Society is delighted to present two of the three operas from Giacomo Puccini's *'Il Trittico'* Trilogy. They will be performing *Gianni Schicchi* and *Suor Angelica*. Check the UoA Opera Facebook and Music Department Web-pages for confirmation.

**MAR 2020** **ABERDEEN JAZZ FESTIVAL**

Both of the Aberdeen University Jazz groups will be performing at the annual Jazz Festival in 2020. Check the link below for full listing of events:  
[www.aberdeenjazzfestival.com](http://www.aberdeenjazzfestival.com)

Tickets for all concerts are: £10 Adult, £5 Concession. All students and children FREE!

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