Information Pack and Audiovisual Consent Form for Singers (Surrey)

Sing with Strings 2022 PERFECT PITCH

hosted by the Bernardi Music Group in association with the Yehudi Menuhin School and the String Academy, and supported by Arts Council England

Our **Sing with Strings** performance project will bring together a massed children's choir of **over 200 singers** from more than 7 of the county's primary and secondary schools to sing alongside an **orchestra** of strings, piano and percussion, combining the forces of the **Yehudi Menuhin School** and the **String Academy**.

In this World Cup year, we will be performing **Perfect Pitch**, a selection of fun football-themed songs by composer **Malcolm Singer**, setting the rhythmically inventive and entertaining poems of **Nick Toczek** and incorporating fun body percussion and obligatory football chanting!

Schools will come together for three big rehearsals led by choirmaster **Mark Bradbury** (Little Notes, Build an Opera) and composer/conductor **Malcolm Singer**. Children will rehearse the songs independently in school, and the project will culminate in a dress rehearsal and two performances at **Charterhouse School**.

This is a very special opportunity to collaborate with pupils from other local schools, professional musicians and sing with a spectacular orchestra!

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 13 September	**BIG REHEARSAL No. 1** **arrive 09:45, rehearsal (choirs only) 10:00-12:00** **Broadwater School**, Summers Road, Godalming GU7 3BW
Tuesday 27 September	**BIG REHEARSAL No. 2** **arrive 09:45, rehearsal (choirs and orchestra) 10:00-12:00** **Broadwater School**
Tuesday 8 November	**BIG REHEARSAL No. 3** **arrive 09:45, rehearsal (choirs and orchestra) 10:00-12:00** **Cobham Free School**, Portsmouth Road, Cobham KT11 1TF
Wednesday 9 November	**PERFORMANCE DAY: Dress Rehearsal and two Performances** **arrive 14:15, collection by parents 20:30** (see details below) **Charterhouse School**, Charterhouse Road, Godalming GU7 2DL

PERFORMANCE DAY

Wednesday 9 November @ Charterhouse School, Godalming GU7 2DL

Children will travel to Charterhouse from their school for the afternoon dress rehearsal and will remain onsite with their teachers through to their collection by parents/guardians at 20:30, unless alternative arrangements are made by your child's school.

Things to bring: Children should bring a packed tea with them as well as a water bottle for the afternoon. We will provide squash and biscuits between the two performances.

Concert clothes: Children in the choir should wear football kit or supporters' clothes (casual clothes), including team scarves, but there is no need to buy anything special.

No studded football boots, please—trainers or other flat-soled sports shoes are fine.

Please arrive at Dress Rehearsal in performance clothes as there will not be onsite changing facilities.

14:15	**Arrive at Charterhouse Chapel**
14:30-16:30	**Dress Rehearsal**
16:30-17:30	**Break for packed teas**
17:45	**Doors open for Performance No. 1**
18:00-19:00	**PERFORMANCE No. 1**
19:15	**Doors open for Performance No. 2**
19:30-20:30	**PERFORMANCE No. 2**
20:30	**Schools dismiss pupils to parents/guardians (or alternative arrangements made by school)**

TRAVEL

Travel to and from rehearsals and to the dress rehearsal on the Performance Day will be from your child's school. Parents/Guardians are required to collect their children after Performance No. 2 on Wednesday 9 November at 20:30, when they will be dismissed by their school teachers unless otherwise arranged with your child's school.

TICKETS & BOOKING

All tickets* for the two performances will be available for purchase from www.bernardimusicgroup.com/events/ from **12 September** on a first come, first served basis.

Special booking codes will be released to schools on 12 September, enabling parents and families of participants to purchase tickets at a significant discount: Adults @ £10, children aged 5+ @ £5 (full price tickets @ £15 for all).

*For participants who are in receipt of pupil premium funding, two free tickets will be available directly from your school.

AUDIOVISUAL CONSENT FORM FOR PERFECT PITCH (SURREY)

Dear Parent or Guardian,

As part of the legacy of *Sing with Strings*, the Bernardi Music Group will be making audiovisual recordings of the rehearsals and performances during this project.

We would like to ask your permission to record, store and edit audio, video and photographic images of this project which may include the child in your care. These may be shared and used by the Bernardi Music Group in formats including, but not limited to, printed displays, online and printed publications, and use on websites and social media.

Please complete the form below to give your consent for the child in your care to be included in these recordings and return it to the teacher making arrangements for *Sing with Strings* at your child's school **before the first rehearsal on Tuesday 13 September.**

Name of project: ***Sing with Strings 2022: Perfect Pitch***

Name(s) of child (children):

Name of School:

Name of Parent/Guardian:

Please tick the appropriate box below.

I consent ☐ I do not consent ☐

to the Bernardi Music Group and any associated sound recordist, videographer or photographer capturing recordings as described above which may include the child/children in my care, and for these files to be used by the Bernardi Music Group in the formats listed or any other media format.

Signature:

Date:

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