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Royal Northern
Sinfonia



Gran
Partita

Featuring Mozart's
Gran Partita from
the blockbuster
movie *Amadeus*.



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What's On
Spring/Summer 2019

INTRODUCTION



Welcome to the latest edition of Hexham Abbey's What's On Guide.

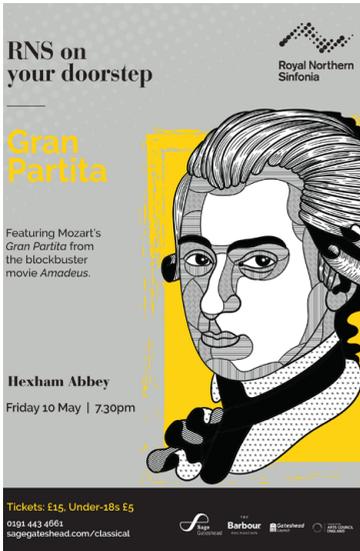
The days are getting longer, are lengthened, from which we get our word 'Lent' for the season of preparation for Easter.

Spring is on its way, signs of new life surround us. Come and celebrate life and hope which the God of Easter inspires.

The Abbey is here to help nurture life - I hope our Guide puts a spring in your step this Lent!

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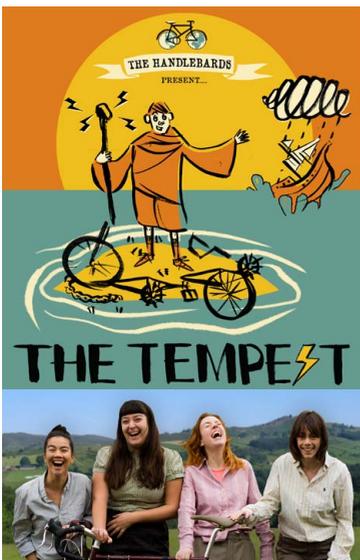
Dagmar Winter - Rector



Royal Northern Sinfonia - Gran Partita Friday 10th May - 7.30pm

A showcase for RNS' complete wind section plus guests, directed by Steven Hudson (oboe), focusing on Mozart's 'Gran Partita', famously featured in the Oscar-winning blockbuster 'Amadeus'. Programme also includes pieces by Debussy, Strauss, and more.

Tickets £15 (£5 Under 18s)
Call 0191 443 4661 or go to
<https://sagegateshead.com/whats-on/rns-spring-chamber-tour/>



The Handlebards - The Tempest Wednesday 21st August - 6.30pm, Cafe Lawn

The world's first cycling theatre company, The HandleBards, pedal from venue to venue with all the set, props and costume necessary to perform environmentally sustainable Shakespeare across the globe.

Join their all-female troupe for a bicycle-powered production of Shakespeare's 'The Tempest' like none other. In usual HandleBards style, expect riotous amounts of energy, a fair old whack of chaos, and a great deal of laughter.

Tickets - £15 (Under 16's free when accompanied by a paying adult), available from
www.handlebards.com

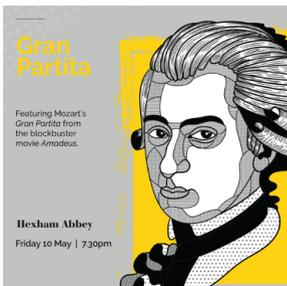
UPCOMING EVENTS



ABBEY PRAISE - Celebrating Christening Sunday 5th May

There will be christenings and a looking back at the christening of yourself or your children.

If you are local to Hexham Parish and would like to consider a christening for your child or would like to get baptized yourself, please contact the Parish Office on 01434 602031 or admin@hexhamabbey.org.uk for further arrangements.



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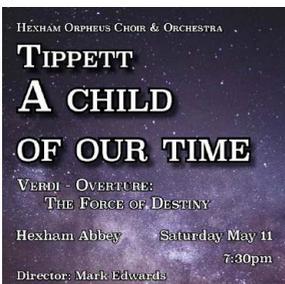


Annual Plant Sale

Saturday 11th May - 9.00-1.00pm, Abbey Flags

All locally grown plants ranging from shrubs, perennials, annuals to vegetables, herbs and indoor plants.

All proceeds to the Hexham Abbey Roof Appeal.



Hexham Orpheus Choir & Orchestra

Tippett - A Child of Our Time

Saturday 11th May - 7.30pm

Verdi - Overture: The Force of Destiny

Soloists: Rachel Dyson (Soprano), Valerie Reid (Alto), Austin Gunn (Tenor), Graeme Danby (Bass)

Tickets £18 (Transept), £10 (Nave). Students half price.

Available from Cogito Books (cash only) or hexhamorpheus.brownpapertickets.com



Messy Church

Sunday 12th May - 3.00-4.30pm, North Transept

Come and join an afternoon of fun, craft, story and food. Whether you're an adult, child, teenager, carer, grandparent - everyone is welcome, young and old alike.

Free



Silver Screen

Thursday 30th May - 2.30pm, North Transept

Cinema and scones! Come and enjoy a classic film in relaxed company. Cake donations very welcome!

Free



Lunchtime Live

Tuesday lunchtimes from 28th May until 23rd July - 1.00pm

28th May - Tamsin Brown (organ)

4th June - James Gaughan (bass voice), David Hammond (piano)

Come along and enjoy a free concert over lunch.

Performances last around 45 minutes and you are welcome to bring a snack and a drink into the Abbey!

Free admission with a retiring collection – all proceeds go to the upkeep of the Abbey



Messy Church

Sunday 9th June - 3.00-4.30pm , North Transept

Come and join an afternoon of fun, craft, story and food. Whether you're an adult, child, teenager, carer, grandparent - everyone is welcome, young and old alike.

Free

UPCOMING EVENTS



Lunchtime Live

Tuesday 11th June - 1.00pm

Robin Beaumont & Michael Haynes (piano duet)

Come along and enjoy a free concert over lunch. Performances last around 45 minutes and you are welcome to bring a snack and a drink into the Abbey!

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Piano Recital - Olga Zado

Saturday 15th June - 7.30pm

The exciting young Ukrainian pianist will perform a programme of the lesser known Schubert Impromptus, Chopin's Ballade Nr 3 and Beethoven's Piano Sonata.

Tickets - £15 (£12.50 concessions) from www.ticketsource.co.uk/piano-recitals



Lunchtime Live

Tuesday 18th June - 1.00pm

Roger Muttitt (organ)

Come along and enjoy a free concert over lunch. Performances last around 45 minutes and you are welcome to bring a snack and a drink into the Abbey!

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Rock Choir Fundraising Concert

Friday 21st June - 7.30pm

Witness a spectacular display of uplifting, feel-good pop, rock and contemporary chart songs performed by the Hexham & Ponteland Rock Choir!

Tickets £10 from the Abbey Gift Shop
All proceeds go to the upkeep of the Abbey
For more information visit www.rockchoir.com



Lunchtime Live

Tuesday 25th June - 1.00pm

Carolyn Storey (soprano) Michael Haynes (piano)

Come along and enjoy a free concert over lunch.

Performances last around 45 minutes and you are welcome to bring a snack and a drink into the Abbey!

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Silver Screen

Thursday 27th June - 2.30pm, North Transept

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Lunchtime Live

Tuesday 2nd July - 1.00pm

Thomas Maxwell (organ- Oundle student)

Come along and enjoy a free concert over lunch.

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Hadrian's Choir Festival

Saturday 6th July - 6.00pm

Featuring the boys and girls choirs of Carlisle Cathedral, Hexham Abbey and Newcastle Cathedral. Music includes Parry's wonderful 'I was glad!' and Vierne's thrilling Messe Solennelle as well as some glorious acapella works

Tickets available on the door - £10 for adults, free for children under 18

UPCOMING EVENTS



Network Artists Exhibition

Monday 8th - Sunday 21st July, North Transept

Network Artists Exhibition features some of the most talented artists and craftspeople across the North East of England. More information at www.networkartists.org.uk

Free



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Free



Royal Northern Sinfonia

Saturday 20th July - 7.30pm

We are delighted to welcome back the Royal Northern Sinfonia.

More details on the performance can be found at www.sagegateshead.com/royal-northern-sinfonia



Lunchtime Live

Tuesday 23rd July - 1.00pm

With Furness Community Orchestra

Come along and enjoy a free concert over lunch. Performances last around 45 minutes and you are welcome to bring a snack and a drink into the Abbey!

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Phelps 2019

Saturday 3rd & Saturday 10th August - 6.00pm

One of the jewels in the Abbey's crown, the magnificent Phelps Organ, plays a central role in the life of the Abbey. 2019 features highly acclaimed recitalists and some wonderfully varied repertoire.

3rd August - David von Behren - Yale University
10th Aug - Andrew Wyatt - Chester Cathedral

Free



Hexham and District Photography Society Exhibition

Saturday 10th - Sunday 18th August, North Transept

Come along and view some amazing work at the annual exhibition from the Photographic Society.

Free



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Featuring our very own Director of Music, Michael Haynes

Free

UPCOMING EVENTS



Stitch 12 Needlework Exhibition

Monday 19th – Saturday 24th August

A group of twelve local embroiderers who each work in different styles, meeting monthly to support each other, learn new techniques and problem solve. The exhibition will showcase the work they have produced over the past twelve months.



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Phelps 2019

Saturday 24th August - 6.00pm

One of the jewels in the Abbey's crown, the magnificent Phelps Organ, plays a central role in the life of the Abbey. 2019 features highly acclaimed recitalists and some wonderfully varied repertoire

Featuring Sean Turnbull - Blackburn Cathedral

Free



Silver Screen

Thursday 29th August - 2.30pm, North Transept

Cinema and scones! Come and enjoy a classic film in relaxed company. Cake donations very welcome!

Free



Phelps 2019

Saturday 31st August & Saturday 7th September, 6.00pm

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31st August - Andrew Cantrill-Fenwick - Royal College of Organists

7th September - Louise Reid - Cullercoats / Newcastle
Free



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Free



Hexham Abbey Festival

Thursday 19th - Sunday 22nd September

Once again you are invited this September to a rich selection of inspiring and thought-provoking music and art.

More details available at:

www.hexhamabbeyfestival.org.uk



Silver Screen

Thursday 26th September - 2.30pm, North Transept

Cinema and scones! Come and enjoy a classic film in relaxed company. Cake donations very welcome!

Free

UPCOMING EVENTS



Roof Appeal Fundraising Concert

Saturday 5th October - 7.30pm, Great Hall

'HUMOURS & DELIGHTS' - a concert of English music from the 17th century.

Michael Ronan (bass baritone), Sergio Bucheli (lute, theorbo), Jacob Garside (bass viol), John Green (chamber organ). To include works by John Dowland, Henry Purcell, Tobias Hume and John Blow.

A fundraising concert in aid of the Hexham Abbey Roof Appeal. Refreshments served after the concert.

Kindly sponsored by Mr M. Wilson.



Messy Church

Sunday 13th October - 3.00-4.30pm, North Transept

Come and join an afternoon of fun, craft, story and food. Whether you're an adult, child, teenager, carer, grandparent - everyone is welcome, young and old alike.

Free



Minerva Centre Exhibition

Monday 14th - Monday 21st October, Cloister Porch

The exhibition will feature the latest work from Minerva Centre students with a particular emphasis on the use of recycled materials.

Free



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Weekly Sunday Services at 8.30am, 10.00am and 6.30pm.

Weekday Communion Services, each lasting about 30mins, on Tuesdays at 12noon and on Wednesdays at 9.30am.

Weekday Choral Evensong (30mins long) during term-time at 6.30pm on Wednesdays and Thursdays - a calm time to be.

Tots' Praise for 0-5s and their carers on Wednesdays in the Abbey from 10.15am - a happy, welcoming group with songs and stories.

To find out more about what is happening at the Abbey, and for details of our regular services, please see our website,

www.hexhamabbey.org.uk

or call the Parish Office on 01434 602031

UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES

Sunday 12th May, 6.30pm - Choral Evensong

Guest Preacher: The Rt Revd John Pritchard, formerly Bishop of Oxford and Jarrow

Sunday 26th May - Rogation Sunday, 10.00am

Parish Eucharist

Guest Preacher: the Canon Chancellor of Durham Cathedral, Canon Charlie Allen

Come with your hiking boots (or just turn up at 11am). Following the service, join the Rogation Sunday Walk around the Parish. Total of 14 miles, but most do shorter sections which are available. Further information available from the Parish Office on 01434 602031.





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THE PERFECT LOCATION FOR EVERY EVENT

Recently refurbished to a very high standard, the Abbey's medieval monastery complex - **the Priory Buildings** - now offers a range of unique and versatile function spaces. These light and airy rooms with period features, can be hired individually or as a suite, and are perfect for all your special celebrations or business needs.

We can host:

- ⇒ Wedding receptions, gala dinners, lunches
- ⇒ Family celebrations, birthdays, anniversaries, children's parties
- ⇒ Seminars, corporate events, training days
- ⇒ AGMs, board meetings, business meetings
- ⇒ Exhibitions, press launches, concerts, ceilidhs

Our function rooms can cater for events of all sizes, from parties for 120 guests, to intimate gatherings for as few as 10 people.

Facilities include:

- ⇒ fully licenced bar
- ⇒ a range of catering options
- ⇒ fully accessible
- ⇒ audio and visual equipment
- ⇒ WiFi



If you would like to book a room or make an appointment to look round the Priory Buildings, please contact:

Jez Light, Lettings & Events Manager
Telephone: 01434 611904
Email: events@hexhamabbey.org.uk

Vol nteers

All that's missing is U!

Every year, Hexham Abbey welcomes over 100,000 visitors. We work hard to ensure that each one of them has an enjoyable time here, and our committed team of volunteers is vital to that effort. If you have spare time perhaps you'd like to join us?

Stewarding Guiding in the Abbey?

Assisting with educational visits?

Welcoming visitors to 'The Big Story' Exhibition?

Serving customers in the Abbey Shop?

Our Volunteer Manager, Kirsty Wills, would love to tell you more about these exciting opportunities.

Contact her on 01434 611907 or kirsty.wills@hexhamabbey.org.uk



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