



Whitehall Choir
with the London Baroque Sinfonia

BACH Three motets and
Brandenburg Concerto No. 3

VIVALDI Kyrie and Credo

PURCELL My Heart is Inditing

CONDUCTOR Paul Spicer

St. John's, Smith Square

FRIDAY, 10 JULY, 7.30PM

Tickets £17, £15, £13, £10 (concessions, £1.50 discount)
from a Whitehall Choir member or from the Box Office

St. John's, Smith Square, London SW1P 3HA. Please enclose SAE. Telephone: 020-7222 1061. Mastercard, Visa and Maestro accepted. Booking fees: By telephone £2.00 per transaction, (£1.50 to Friends of St. John's). Online £1.50 per transaction.

The Box Office is open for advance bookings 10am-5pm (until 6pm on concert days) Monday to Friday. Advance bookings cannot be made after 6pm or at weekends/bank holidays. Tickets may also be booked by fax, 020-7233 1618, or online at www.sjss.org.uk. The Footstool restaurant in the Crypt is open from 5.30pm for buffet and licensed refreshments (telephone: 020-7222 2779).

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Whitehall Choir

The Whitehall Choir's high standards are reflected not just in the wonderful sound it creates in several concerts each year but also in the number of new singers wishing to join. Repertoire, often performed alongside professional soloists and orchestras, includes music from the 15th to the 21st century. Members share a strong commitment to the choir and, in addition to attending weekly rehearsals, take part in occasional tours abroad, singing workshops, and Come and Sing events. The choir is a friendly group, and prizes this as highly as singing sensitively and accurately.

Originally a lunch-time madrigal group at the Department of Trade in the Second World War, the Whitehall Choir today performs in leading venues across London, from St John's, Smith Square, to Holy Trinity, Sloane Square, to the exquisitely beautiful Banqueting House in Whitehall. Singers from backgrounds as diverse as law, medicine, teaching, publishing, PR and, as the name suggests, the Civil Service ensure a lively mix of talents and interests.

Singing with Whitehall Choir

The choir rehearses on Tuesday evenings in the Victoria area during the academic year.

New members in all voice parts are welcome. Admission to the choir is by a short audition, usually held after attending one or two rehearsals. For further details visit www.whitehallchoir.org.uk, or call Richard Grafen on 020 7215 5323 (daytime only).

Paul Spicer, Conductor of Whitehall Choir

Paul Spicer began his musical training as a chorister at New College, Oxford. He studied with Herbert Howells and Richard Popplewell (organ) at the Royal College of Music in London, winning the Walford Davies Organ Prize in his final year. As well as the Whitehall Choir, Paul conducts the Birmingham Bach Choir and the chamber choirs at the Birmingham Conservatoire where, in addition to Oxford University, he teaches choral conducting. He founded the Finzi Singers in 1984, with whom he made 15 CDs for Chandos records. Paul is in great demand, too, as a recording producer and as a composer.

Whitehall Choir Recordings

In February this year, the choir recorded its second CD – *Music for the Season of Christmas*. The CD and our first CD, Bruckner's *Mass in E minor* and Paul Spicer's *Deciduous Cross*, are both available by visiting www.whitehallchoir.org.uk.

Next concert

Handel *Judas Maccabaeus*, Friday, 27 November,
St John's, Smith Square, London SW1.

Check www.whitehallchoir.org.uk for future Whitehall Choir events.

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