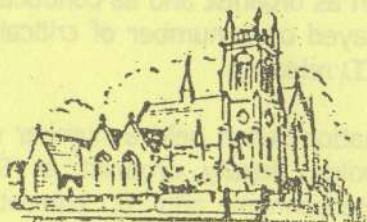


The friendly choir rehearsing
at
Beckenham Methodist Church
on
Monday evenings

Venue



BECKENHAM METHODIST CHURCH
is on Bromley Road at the corner of
Bevington Road not far from Beckenham
Junction Station, the Tramlink terminal
and several bus routes. There is a large
public car park nearby in St. George's
Road (free after 7.30 pm). Pay and
Display operates in Bevington Road until
8.00 pm every day.

PENGE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
is at 172 High Street, SE20 7QS. The
nearest BR Station is Kent House and
many buses serve central Penge. On-
street parking is available.

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The SLS is affiliated to Making Music (the National
Federation of Music Societies) and the Bromley
Arts Council.

Reg. Charity No 800934

INFORMATION

OPEN REHEARSALS will be held on
Mondays 7th and 14th September at
7.45pm when all interested singers are
invited to come along and experience an
SLS rehearsal. The choir meets on
Mondays during term-time in the
upstairs hall at Beckenham Methodist
Church, Bromley Road, Beckenham, with
Julian Collings, their Musical Director,
and David Thorne, Accompanist.

MEMBERSHIP – Prospective new
members are asked to meet the Director
for a brief voice test, usually by their
third rehearsal. At the moment the choir
has vacancies in all voices and
experienced singers would be especially
welcome. An annual subscription of a
minimum of £180 is payable. Anyone
interested should contact Mary Cook
email: mary.cook@talktalk.net or on 020
8656 2815.

SOCIAL EVENTS – form a regular part of
the choir's season and have included
dinners, barbecues, parties, informal
madrigal singing, quiz nights and
country walks.

FRIENDS and PATRONS – The SLS has a
very successful Friends and Patrons'
Scheme. In return for a modest
donation they receive advance details of
concerts, a reduction of the ticket price
and invitations to the choir's regular
social events. If you would like to
support the SLS by becoming a Friend
please contact the SLS Chairman Alan
Tod on 020 8402 8246.

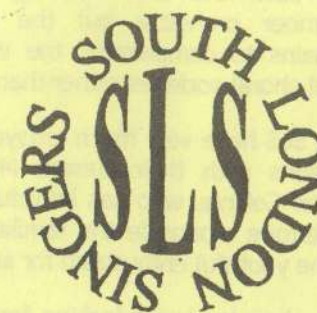
Much more information about the choir
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34th Season

SOUTH LONDON SINGERS

MUSICAL DIRECTOR

JULIAN COLLINGS



2015-2016

The South London Singers in their Thirty-fourth Season!

Founded in 1982, the SLS is a thriving group of about 35 members, now firmly established in the local music scene. Three or four concerts are usually presented each season in the Beckenham area.

The repertoire features a wide variety of sacred and secular music by composers of all periods from the 15th century to the present day, either unaccompanied or with keyboard or a small group of instrumentalists.

English music has been a strong element in the programming, especially under the directorship of John Nightingale who retired from the post after 25 years in May 2013. Other works by a wide cross-section of continental and non-European composers have also been included. Occasionally rather more ambitious programming of larger works has seen the choir working with a small chamber orchestra but the original ethos remains to complement the works of other local choral societies rather than to compete.

The SLS have very much enjoyed the first two seasons with their current Musical Director Julian Collings who has introduced some new repertoire alongside the familiar and brought some youthful enthusiasm for singing.

The choir is always looking for new members and they warmly invite any interested singer to join them for their 'Open Rehearsals' on 7th and 14th September when they will begin rehearsing for the first concert.

Programme for 2015-2016

SATURDAY 14th NOVEMBER 2015

Penge Congregational Church

A Concert marking the centenary of

the church's organ

PÄRT – Salve Regine

LAURIDSEN – Lux Aeterna

TAVENER – Funeral Ikos

SATURDAY 12th DECEMBER 2015

Beckenham Methodist Church

CAROLS FOR CHARITY

SATURDAY 9th APRIL 2016

Beckenham Methodist Church

THE GERMAN TRADITION

HAYDN – Little Organ Mass

MOZART – Ave Verum Corpus, K618

TELEMANN – Laudate Jehovam

BUXTEHUDE – Magnificat

SATURDAY 9th July 2016

Beckenham Methodist Church

A summer concert

INSPIRED BY JAZZ

CHILCOTT – A Little Jazz Music

SHEARING – Songs and Sonnets

All concerts start at 7.45 pm and feature
the conductor Julian Collings and
accompanist David Thorne

TICKETS AT £11/£12.50 ARE OBTAINABLE FROM
ANY CHOIR MEMBER OR FROM THE BOX OFFICE
020 8656 2815 or at TC's coffee shop at
Beckenham Methodist Church Monday – Friday
10.30am – 2.30pm
OR AT THE DOOR

Musical Director

Julian Collings was educated as an organ scholar at Tonbridge School in Kent before winning an organ scholarship to Christ's College Cambridge in 1999. During his time at Christ's, Julian accompanied the college choir to Scandinavia, the USA and Canada both as organist and as conductor and also played on a number of critically acclaimed CD releases.

After graduation Julian held a number of posts including deputy organist at St. George's Beckenham and is currently Director of Music at St. Cyprian's Church, Clarence Gate. In addition to his church work, Julian is Musical Director of the Barnes Choir and the London Chamber Choir Ad Libitum as well as founding Musical Director of the Contempo Ensemble, a professional vocal group promoting the choral works of living composers. He is organ tutor at Forest School and teaches privately throughout the London area. In January 2012 he was appointed a Musical Director of Singingworks.

As a recitalist Julian has performed extensively both in the UK and overseas as well as broadcasting for BBC radio. He regularly collaborates with the cellist Rebecca Hewes, giving concerts all over the world. Julian was appointed Musical Director of the SLS in May 2013 from a strong field of applicants and is enjoying a return to the Beckenham Music scene.