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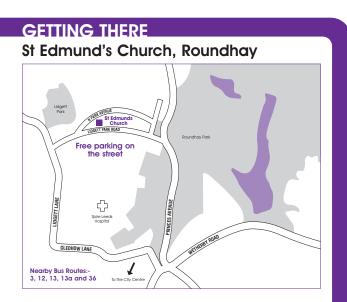
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#### **WELCOME**

We are delighted to extend the warmest of welcomes to the Sinfonia of Leeds 2023-24 season. The orchestra continues to ao from strength to strength, presenting its blend of the familiar, the less well-known and the extraordinary!

Our first programme delivers Finnish nationalism and a Russian epic. Sibelius' Finlandia, both rousing and turbulent, is a stark contrast to the Adagio for Strings by Samuel Barber, a piece of sublime calm and beauty. Rachmaninoff's Symphony No. 2 was a huge boost to the composer's own confidence as a composer after the disastrous reception of his first symphony ten years earlier. Also in the programme is Dvořák Slavonic Dance No. 8, a live performance of the orchestra's second online lockdown project.

For the January concert David Greed swaps baton for violin in a performance of Brahms' much loved Violin Concerto, alongside the composer's Symphony No. 2, which brings Tony's complete cycle of Brahms' symphonies to a close.

Following the success of our 50th anniversary concert featuring Act I of Wagner's Die Walküre, in March we present Bartók's only work for the stage, Duke Bluebeard's Castle, sung in English. This intense psychodrama needs no opera house or set as the orchestra vividly portrays the castle with its grandiose and grizzly secrets. We are extremely fortunate to be able to welcome international artists Yvonne Howard and Henry Waddington.

As a season finale, Blair Sinclair (Principal Trombone, Opera North) plays unfamiliar but brilliant works by Nino Rota and Takemitsu, while the orchestra completes the programme with Wagner, Ravel and Tchaikovsky.

There really is something for everybody, and we look forward very much to seeing you in Roundhay.

#### Anthony Kraus and David Greed Music Directors





Anthony Kraus

David Greed

Saturday 11th November 2023 19:30 St Edmund's Church, Roundhay, LS8 1JN

### **PROGRAMME 1**

**Sibelius** Finlandia

**Barber** Adagio for Strings

**Dvořák** Slavonic Dance No. 8

Rachmaninoff Symphony No. 2

Conductor David Greed

Saturday 20 January 2024 19:30 St Edmund's Church, Roundhay, LS8 1JN

## **PROGRAMME 2**

**Brahms** Violin Concerto

Brahms Symphony No. 2

Soloist

David Greed

Anthony Kraus

Conductor



Johannes Brahms

Saturday 23 March 2024 19:30 St Edmund's Church, Roundhay, LS8 1JN

### **PROGRAMME 3**

Haydn Symphony No. 90

**Bartók** Duke Bluebeard's Castle



Yvonne Howard



Henry Waddington (photo: Gerard Collett)

Saturday 22 June 2024 19:30 St Edmund's Church, Roundhay, LS8 1JN

#### **PROGRAMME 4**

Soloists

Yvonne Howard

Anthony Kraus

Wagner Rienzi Overture

Ravel Pavane pour une infante défunte

**Takemitsu** Fantasma/Cantos II

Nino Rota **Trombone Concerto** 

**Tchaikovskv** The Nutcracker (Act 1 highlights)

Soloist Blair Sinclair

Conductor David Greed



Blair Sinclai



Henry Waddington Conductor

Seraei Rachmaninoff