

ST JOHN'S CHURCH, FULHAM

CHORAL SCHOLARSHIPS 2021-2022



About St John's Choral Scholars

St John's Choral Scholars are an ensemble of 8 singers, students and graduates of London's major conservatoires and universities.

They perform a wide range of repertoire, exploring the works of the great European masters of the classical, romantic, and modern age with an operatic flair, as well as medieval modality and Gregorian Chant.

The Choir has sung at a number of prestigious venues (Westminster Cathedral Hall, London; Mercers Hall, London; St Lawrence Jewry, London) as well as being in high demand for private receptions (Harry's Bar Mayfair; George Club, Mayfair); they also regularly take part in charitable events, local festivals, and local schools' workshops.

Choral Scholarships

St John's Church, Fulham wishes to appoint 5 Choral Scholars for the academic year 2021-2022.

The following positions have become available: **1x Soprano; 2x Alto/Mezzo; 2x Tenor.**

St John's Choral Scholarships offer a unique opportunity to develop a high standard of ensemble singing in a relaxed, laid-back environment.

We are especially looking for people who are passionate about a wide range of choral repertoire (both sacred and secular), excellent musicians and supportive team workers, to join our ensemble of 8.

Ideal candidates will be confident sight-readers with experience of choral singing and a good sense of humour; experience of church music is useful but not essential.

We welcome applications from students in Higher Education, recent graduates, young professionals.

Regular Schedule

Wednesdays: Choir Rehearsal 7-8:30 PM **Sundays:** Choir Rehearsal 9:15 AM; Choral Mass 10:30 AM

The academic year runs from the 10th of September 2021 until the 10th of July 2022.

Scholars are also expected to sing at the following evening services during the academic year.: All Souls' Requiem Mass (1st Saturday in November); Advent Carols (1st Sunday in Advent); 9 Lessons and Carols (3rd Sunday in Advent); Christmas Eve; Ash Wednesday; Maundy Thursday; Good Friday; Easter Vigil.

Choir holidays are: Christmas Day; the Sunday immediately after Christmas; the 1st Sunday in January; the Sunday immediately after Easter.

There are no midweek rehearsals on the Wednesday immediately after Christmas, and the Wednesday immediately after Easter.

Fee

£1,800.00 per year, paid in regular instalments.

In addition, there are approximately 2/3 concerts and 2/3 recording sessions per year, for which an extra fee of £50 each is agreed.

Auditions

Shortlisted candidates will be invited for an audition at St John's Church, Fulham, North End Road, London SW6 1PB, in the week beginning on the **12th of July 2021**.

Auditions will consist of an aria, chosen by the candidate from the standard sacred/Oratorio repertoire; a sight-singing test; a short interview.

St John's Church is located at the very heart of Fulham, at walking distance from both Fulham Broadway and West Brompton station.

Applications

All prospective scholars should send their CV and a short letter of application to the Director of Music at music@stjohnsfulham.org by **Monday the 5th of July**.

The Director of Music is always happy to discuss the nature and details of the Scholarship informally prior to the interview.

Chris Rankine

Vicar

Domenico Gioffre

Director of Music