



SUMMER CONCERT

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SACRED & TRADITIONAL SONG

SATURDAY, 6TH JUNE 2026

7.30 PM

MONTON UNITARIAN CHURCH

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Welcome to Vocal Sounds' Summer Concert.

Thank you for joining us this evening. Since our first rehearsal in January 2025, Vocal Sounds has grown from a small group of founding singers into a thriving choir united by a shared love of music and singing together.

Tonight's programme brings together music from stage and screen, popular favourites, and much-loved choral works. We hope you enjoy the performance as much as we have enjoyed preparing it.

**Thank you for your support, and enjoy the show.
Vocal Sounds Singers**

SOPRANOS:

ALISON PADDON • BIBA BOELE • ELLIE KEENE •
KAT SCHMALZL • MARIAN SHELDON • MICHIO YAKUMA •
NICKY EDWARDS • PAM WARD-SPEERS

ALTOS:

CAROLINE FOX • CHARLOTTE BRACEGIRLDE •
CHRISTINE GIBSON • HEATHER GODWIN •
JOANNE DIXON-JACKSON • MOIRA WILSON •
OYINDA ADEGBENRO • RHIANNON MONK WINSTANLEY

TENORS:

DAVE KEENE • KRISTA MCALPINE • PATRICK TSUI

BASSES:

GEORGE PENDLEBURY • HARRY MUSKETT • JOHN SHELDON

TONIGHT'S PROGRAMME

Songs from Films

Let the River Run – (Working Girl)

Composer: Carly Simon | Arrangement: Kirby Shaw

Wind Beneath My Wings – (Beaches)

Composer: Larry Henley & Jeff Silbar | Arrangement: John Syed

Tears in Heaven – (Rush)

Composer: Eric Clapton & Will Jennings | Arrangement: Roger Emerson

Featured Soloists

Michiyo Sakuma – “Always With Me” (Spirited Away)

Music by Yumi Kimura | Lyrics by Wakako Kaku

Alison Paddon – “Promise Me”

Lyrics and Music by Beverly Craven

Charlotte Bracegirdle & Christine Gibson – “For Good” (Wicked)

Music and Lyrics by Stephen Schwartz

Songs From Musicals

Cabaret – (Cabaret)

Music: John Kander | Lyrics: Fred Ebb | Arrangement: Gary D Fry

Seasons of Love – (RENT)

Composer: Jonathan Larson | Arrangement: Roger Emerson

Joyful Joyful – (Sister Act 2)

Composer: Ludwig Von Beethoven & Arranger: Mervyn Warren | Arrangement: Roger Emerson

This Is the Moment – (Jekyll & Hyde)

Music: Frank Wildhorn Lyrics: Leslie Brieusse | Arrangement: Teena Chinn

PROGRAMME CONTINUED

INTERVAL

Hot Drinks • Soft Drinks • Water • Baked Goods
• Snacks • Raffle Tickets

Popular Music

Africa

Composer: David Paich & Jeff Porcaro | Arrangement: Roger Emerson

Virtual Insanity

Composer: Jason Kay & Toby Smith | Arrangement: Mark Brymer

Perhaps Love

Composer: John Denver | Arrangement: Gary D Fry

Perfect

Composer: Ed Sheeran | Arrangement: Audrey Snyder

Sounds of Simon & Garfunkel

Composer: Paul Simon

Featured Soloists

Harry Musckett – “For No One”

Words and Music: Paul McCartney

George Pendlebury – “On Top of the World”

Words and Music by Richard Carpenter and John Bettis

Sacred Music & Traditional Song

Cantate Domino

Composer: Mark Hayes

Ave Verum

Composer: Mozart

Cross the Wide Missouri

Composer: Nancy Price & Don Besig

Worthy To Be Praised

Composer: Byron J Smith

PROFESSIONAL MUSICIANS

Our Music Director

Welsh mezzo-soprano **Siân Davies** is a graduate of the Royal Northern College of Music. Recent highlights include appearances at the **BBC Proms**, **Buxton International Festival**, and the internationally renowned **Savonlinna Opera Festival** in Finland.

Alongside her performing career, Siân is passionate about teaching and conducting, and serves as Musical Director of Vocal Sounds and Assistant Director of Music at Holy Innocents, Fallowfield.

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Our Concert Pianist

Aaron Le Maistre is a graduate of the Royal Northern College of Music, where he was awarded First Class Honours. He has over fifteen years' experience accompanying singers, instrumentalists, and choirs, and regularly works with organisations including the Hallé Community Choir, Preston Opera, and Bolton Choral Union.

An experienced musical theatre pianist and Musical Director, Aaron is currently Musical Director of **Kevin! The Musical**, which heads to the Edinburgh Fringe this August.

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GUIDANCE, AND SUPPORT.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Helen Whitehead, Pianist

Helen Whitehead is Vocal Sounds' regular pianist and a valued member of our professional musical team. Her musicianship, encouragement, and support play an important role in the life of our choir.

While Helen is unable to be with us this evening as she begins her journey to Uganda in support of educational projects, we would like to thank her for her ongoing contribution to Vocal Sounds.

Mike Steele Photography

Salford-based photographer available for commissions/ portraits/boudoir/tours and publicity.

Instagram: @mikesteele_photography & @mikesteele_colour

Monton Unitarian Church

We are grateful to Monton Unitarian Church for providing a welcoming home for our rehearsals and performances. Their support, encouragement, and hospitality have helped our choir grow from a small group of singers into the thriving organisation it is today.

Our Volunteers

From serving refreshments and selling raffle tickets to helping with publicity, administration, and countless behind-the-scenes tasks, our volunteers make evenings like this possible. Thank you for your generosity, enthusiasm, and continued support!

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Charlotte is a member of Vocal Sounds who creates original artwork, gifts, and handcrafted designs through her creative business.

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Vocal Sounds member Christine is the founder of EiH, helping organisations, community projects, and individuals flourish: words, design, and digital support.

www.everythinginharmony.com

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For supporting us while we grow, for an in-tune piano, a warm space and for treating us like family.



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**Have you enjoyed tonight's performance?
Has it inspired you to sing?**

We are currently seeking Basses, Baritones, and Tenors. (There is a waiting list for Sopranos and Altos at this time.)

We rehearse on Thursday evenings •
8.15 PM–10.00 PM • Doors Open at 8.00 PM •
Monton Unitarian Church Hall

First three rehearsals free

New taster sessions will be available from September 2026. If you can't make a date, we'd still love to hear from you.

Book a free taster: www.vocalsounds.co.uk
Email: sing@vocalsounds.co.uk

Looking for Live Music?

Vocal Sounds is available for community events, celebrations, and private functions.

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