

HAY MUSIC FESTIVAL PROGRAMME 2024

The Fitzwilliam String Quartet and Friends



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FRIDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER

7pm: Concert in St Mary's Church by the Fitzwilliam String Quartet.

Johann Sebastian Bach: Excerpts from The Art of Fugue BWV 1080

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart: String Quartet No 18 in A major, K464

Ludwig van Beethoven: String Quartet No 16 in F major, Opus 135

TBC: Film screening in Booth's Bookshop Cinema of 'Testimony' on the life of Shostakovich under the Stalin regime.

SATURDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER

11am: Coffee Concert in St Mary's Church by a string quartet from Sinfonia Cymru, a training orchestra for young professional musicians.

Joseph Haydn: String Quartet No 4 "The Sunrise Quartet" in B flat major, Opus 76

Dmitri Shostakovich: String Quartet No 11 in F minor, Opus 122

Florence Price: Summer Moon. Arranged for string quartet by W Newell

2.30pm: Discussion in the Clore Room, Hay Castle, chaired by Peter Florence with author Stephen Johnson and Alan George from the Fitzwilliam String Quartet on Shostakovich - 'My English Friends'.

4pm: Concert in St Mary's Church by Huw Watkins, piano, and Robin Michael, cello, in St Mary's Church, with an introduction by Philip Cashian.

Dmitri Shostakovich: Cello Sonata in D minor, Opus 40

Philip Cashian: Four Winter Moods (New commission by Hay Music Trust)

Huw Watkins: Blue Shadows Fall (2013)

Benjamin Britten: Cello Sonata in C major, Opus 65

8pm: Concert in Hay Castle by experimental pianist and composer, Sarah Nicolls, on her 'Inside-out Piano'.



Sarah Nicolls

SUNDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER

10.30am: Lecture demonstration by Stephen Johnson and the Fitzwilliam String Quartet in The Globe on the 4th String Octet by Shostakovich.

4.30pm: Concert in St Mary's Church by the Fitzwilliam String Quartet and pianist Sarah Nicolls.

Samuel Barber: String Quartet in B minor Opus 11, including the well-known Adagio

Alfred Schnittke: Piano Quintet in 5 movements

Liz Dilnot Johnson: String Quartet No 5 "Borderlands" (Welsh Premiere)

Dmitri Shostakovich: String Quartet No 4 in D major, Opus 83

TBC: Film screening of 'The Death of Stalin' in Booth's Bookshop Cinema.

Also TBC: Walk and talk on the history of Hay-on-Wye.

Throughout the festival weekend various outreach events will be taking place for vulnerable children and adults, and local primary and senior school children.