

# SEASON AT A GLANCE

With the continued closure of The Halls, we're delighted to return to the venues that hosted us so successfully last season: Norwich Cathedral, the King's Centre and the Norfolk Events Centre. And we've got plenty of exciting performances lined up.

An early highlight is Ashley Grote's first concert as the Phil's new Choral Conductor. Norwich Cathedral is the inspirational setting for a performance of Haydn's *The Creation* on 9 November. A trio of top soloists joins the Chorus and Orchestra to launch the season in spectacular style.

Continuing our long-running Mahler cycle, on 7 December the Orchestra performs Mahler's 4th Symphony with Catherine May as soloist – a chance for our wider audience to enjoy the warm acoustic of the King's Centre after our debut children's concerts there last season. The programme also features a real rarity, Gustav Holst's early orchestral essay, *Indra*, in a special new performance edition marking the 150th anniversary of the composer's birth.

On 17 December the Phil's Family Christmas Concert moves to the Norfolk Events Centre, an opportunity to accommodate an even bigger audience than usual. Kickstart the festivities with seasonal favourites, toe-tapping arrangements, and plenty of audience participation!

In February the Orchestra tackles one of the most radical works of the early 20th century: Stravinsky's *Rite of Spring*, which is scored for vast forces. We will be joined by local youth dance company Workshop Studios, who will perform their own special interpretation of this landmark ballet in the round in front of the Orchestra. Ballet music will also form the first half of the concert, including the suite from Tchaikovsky's romantic *Swan Lake*.

After the sell-out success of the Phil's first-ever children's concerts last season, we return to the King's Centre on 22 March for another two afternoon performances. The date has been chosen to coincide with the Norfolk County Music Festival, which celebrates its centenary in 2025. The fun-filled programme includes *Gaspard's Foxtrot*, Jonathan Dove's setting of the children's book by Zeb Soanes, narrated by the author and with live illustration by James Mayhew.

Our season finale on 5 April puts jazz in the spotlight. Constant Lambert's *Rio Grande* and Rutter's *Feel The Spirit* showcase the Phil Chorus, while the Orchestra shines in two of Gershwin's most popular pieces, *Rhapsody in Blue* and *An American in Paris*. Soloists Jill Morton (piano) and Judy Louie Brown (mezzo-soprano) add sparkle to this colourful conclusion of another memorable season!

SATURDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2024 7.30pm  
NORWICH CATHEDRAL

## HAYDN The Creation

Katherine Crompton soprano  
David de Winter tenor  
Edward Grint bass

Norwich Philharmonic Orchestra  
Norwich Philharmonic Chorus  
Ashley Grote conductor

SATURDAY 7 DECEMBER 2024 7.30pm  
THE KING'S CENTRE, NORWICH

## HOLST Indra SIBELIUS Pohjola's Daughter MAHLER Symphony No. 4

Catherine May soprano  
Norwich Philharmonic Orchestra  
Matthew Andrews conductor

TUESDAY 17 DECEMBER 2024 7.30pm NORFOLK EVENTS CENTRE, SHOWGROUND

## The Phil's FAMILY CHRISTMAS

Norwich Philharmonic Chorus and Orchestra  
Matthew Andrews, Ashley Grote conductors  
plus special guests

### TICKET PRICES

<b>9 November 2024</b>	
Front Nave	£30 (£29 Friends/Benefactors/Members) £15 (students/under 26)
Centre Nave	£27 (£26 Friends/Benefactors/Members) £13 (students/under 26)
Back Nave	£25 (£24 Friends/Benefactors/Members) £12 (students/under 26)
Side Aisles	£15 (£14 Friends/Benefactors/Members) £8 (students/under 26)
<b>7 December 2024</b>	
Front Rows	£22 (£21 Friends/Benefactors/Members) £8 (students/under 26)
Back Rows	£15 (£14 Friends/Benefactors/Members) £8 (students/under 26)
<b>17 December 2024 – Christmas concert</b>	
Front Rows	£23 (£8 students/under 26)
Back Rows	£15 (£8 students/under 26)
<b>15 February 2025</b>	
Front Rows	£25 (£24 Friends/Benefactors/Members) £10 (students/under 26)
Back Rows	£17 (£16 Friends/Benefactors/Members) £10 (students/under 26)
<b>22 March 2025</b>	
Unreserved	£14 (£5 children/students/under 26)
<b>5 April 2025</b>	
Front Rows	£22 (£21 Friends/Benefactors/Members) £8 (students/under 26)
Back Rows	£15 (£14 Friends/Benefactors/Members) £8 (students/under 26)

### BOOKING

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Phone	0333 666 3366 (Mon–Sat 9am–5pm excl public holidays)
Telephone service fee	£2 (to cover cost of posting tickets)

**Priority booking for Friends/Benefactors/Members:** opens 6 September.  
**Friends/Benefactors/Members discounts:** quote membership number for 24/25 season and use name as printed on membership card.  
**Public booking:** opens 20 September.  
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ORCHESTRA AND CHORUS  
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Stravinsky Rite of Spring  
Tchaikovsky Ballet Suite, Swan Lake  
Borodin Polovtsian Dances from *Prince Igor*

SATURDAY 22 MARCH 2025

The Phil's Children's Concert

SATURDAY 5 APRIL 2025

Gershwin An American in Paris • Rhapsody in Blue  
Lambert Rio Grande  
Rutter Feel the Spirit  
Marquez Danson No. 2

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# RITE OF SPRING

BORODIN Polovtsian Dances from *Prince Igor*

TCHAIKOVSKY Ballet Suite, *Swan Lake*

STRAVINSKY Rite of Spring

Norwich Philharmonic Orchestra • Matthew Andrews conductor  
with Workshop Studios dance company

SATURDAY 22 MARCH 2025 2.30 & 4.30pm

THE KING'S CENTRE, NORWICH

## The Phil's Children's Concert



Presented in partnership  
with the Norfolk County  
Music Festival as part of  
their centenary celebrations



Norwich Philharmonic Orchestra  
Matthew Andrews conductor

Zeb Soanes narrator  
James Mayhew illustrator

Programme includes *Gaspard's Foxtrot*, Jonathan Dove's setting of the children's book by Zeb Soanes. Zeb himself will be the narrator and James Mayhew will illustrate the story live on stage.

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GERSHWIN Rhapsody in Blue

LAMBERT Rio Grande

RUTTER Feel the Spirit

MARQUEZ Danson No. 2

Jill Morton piano

Judy Louie Brown mezzo soprano

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