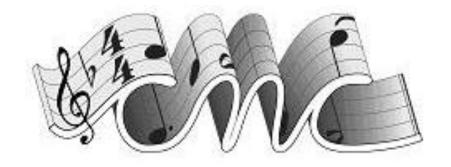
COTTINGHAM METHODIST CHURCH



MUSICAL FESTIVAL 2025



31st January - 1st March

Syllabus

Entries close Monday October 28th 2024

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Further copies of this SYLLABUS and ENTRY FORMS are obtainable on the Church website: www.cottingham-methodist.org.uk/ or from: Cottingham Methodist Church; the Festival Treasurer (by sending an A5 SAE); The Photo Shop in Cottingham; Gough & Davy, Paragon Street, Hull; Beverley Music Emporium, Norwood, Beverley;

COTTINGHAM METHODIST CHURCH welcomes performers, teachers and audience to the 47th Annual Musical Festival. The Festival is run to give performers an opportunity to perform in a friendly environment, for them to receive constructive criticism and to give us all an opportunity to enjoy their performance. We recognise the hard work they do along with the dedication of teachers and supporters.

ADJUDICATORS AND ACCOMPANISTS

Piano	Steven Roberts MEd,BA(Hons),CertEd,BBCM,CMS
Instrumental	Malcolm Green Dipram, GRSM (Hons), LRAM, ARCM, PGCA
Singing	Jacqueline Edwards ARCM,LRSM
Accompanists	Dorcas Leather, Margaret Pearson BA LRAM

FESTIVAL DATES:

Timings and days below are *provisional and may change*, depending on how many entries we receive in each section. It is possible that we may need to use additional evenings. Classes will be held at the Methodist Church, Hallgate, Cottingham, HU16 4BD.

Friday January 31st	Evening	Piano
Saturday February 1st	All day	Piano
Friday February 7 th	Evening	Instrumental
Saturday February 8 th	All day	Instrumental
Friday February 28th	Afternoon/morning	School choirs
Friday February 28th	Evening	Singing
Saturday March 1st	All day	Singing
To be arranged	Afternoon	Celebration concert

NEW MARKING SCHEME: The British & International Federation of Festivals (Biff) has developed a new marking scheme – the first change since the 1980s – which we will begin using in the 2025 festival. In their own words, 'the aim of the scheme is to promote BIFF's core values –Perform | Educate | Inspire' – through 'praise for achievements; positive and constructive teaching points; honesty; kindness and warmth; encouragement and affirmation'. The full outline of the Descriptors and Criteria can be found on page 4. At Cottingham, we are choosing this opportunity to move away from giving a mark for each performance and the written feedback will now show a category (band) but not a specific mark. The adjudicator will still allocate first and second places etc., guided by the criteria.

TROPHIES: In a survey at the 2024 Festival, 73% of those performers, parents and audience members who responded gave their support to continuing the tradition of awarding trophies to class winners, so this is what we will continue to do! Trophies are awarded in most classes (see Rule 12) and they must be returned by the date requested ready for the next year's festival. Trophies are the responsibility of the winner during that time, any damage incurred should be repaired at their expense and they should be returned in a clean condition. The cost and arranging of engraving (if desired) are also the responsibility of the holder.

OTHER TROPHIES are presented at the discretion of the Festival Committee and Adjudicators: Victor Ludorum Shields are awarded for the most meritorious performance in each section of the Festival and the Eardley Kemp and Frederick Ingilby Trophies are presented to musicians showing outstanding promise in this year's Festival. The winners will each receive a cheque from the Friends of the Festival to help them in their studies.

<u>CHANGES for 2025</u>: we have revised some of the time limits to make scheduling more accurate and in the singing section, some age groups have altered slightly – please check the syllabus carefully. There are new classes for choirs and Teacher & Pupil duets have been added to the instrumental section. There are also a few clarifications in the **RULES** section, plus we are introducing a charge for use of the official accompanist service.

FESTIVAL CELEBRATION CONCERT: A number of performers, representing all age groups and sections of the Festival, will be invited to perform at this event. This year's concert date and chosen charity will be confirmed in January. Since 1985 (39 years) the concerts have raised over £15,500 for various charities. Our 2024 concert in aid of the Hull Centre for the Deaf raised £620 – thank you to everyone who contributed.

NEW BIFF MARKING SCHEME

Marking Band	Descriptors	Criteria
Developing 65 - 69	A performance demonstrating an awareness of technical skills, requiring more consistency & artistry.	An inconsistent performance with an overall need for accuracy and /or continuity and artistic development.
Progressing 70 - 74	A performance showing development of technique and/or communication and commitment.	A generally secure performance in notes and rhythm at a reasonable tempo but as yet with limited attention to detail, tonal qualities, and style.
Merit 75 - 79	A competent performance, showing some artistic awareness and/or technical ability.	Mostly fluent and accurate, with some awareness of tone and style, but requiring a sense of communication and performance.
Commended 80 - 84	A convincing performance technically & artistically, with increasing stylistic & communication skills.	Confident, with clear evidence of tonal and stylistic qualities and a developing awareness of communication and performance, although there may be moments of imprecision.
Honours 85 - 89	An excellent performance, demonstrating fluent technical and artistic skills with emerging individuality.	Assured and expressive, demonstrating a high level of technical security, imagination and stylistic insight and with a real sense of communication and performance, although small blemishes may be present.
Outstanding 90 - 94	An impressive performance technically and artistically, displaying spontaneity & clear individuality.	A stimulating, imaginative and persuasive performance, showing stylistic flair, interpretative insight, poise and unobtrusive technical command.
Exceptional 95 +	A superlative performance, displaying exceptional artistic individuality.	An astonishingly impressive performance displaying effortless technical control and superlative individuality in its artistry, and profound musical insight.

OUR ADJUDICATORS

STEVEN ROBERTS has been a music adjudicator since 2001; has sat on the Adjudicators Council and was Chair of the Board of Trustees between 2014 and 2023. He is a busy professional; conducting, teaching and lecturing. He brings with him experience as a manager, knowledge of quality systems, business acumen and many years of leading change.

He has successfully combined a career in education with his work as a conductor, musical director and adjudicator, working both in this country and in Europe and as far a field as Peru and Bahrain.

Steven has conducted numerous concerts throughout this country and throughout Europe with a variety of Choirs, ensembles and orchestras, wind bands and brass bands. He has toured extensively with the Gary Clarke (contemporary Dance) Company for his productions of COAL and WASTELAND.

He studied piano, brass and voice and has worked in a variety of musical settings. He has worked alongside actors and dancers on many projects and is keen to support the work of the Federation to maximise opportunities for performance within all disciplines. He enjoyed working with his colleagues on the Board and Councils and continues to serve the wider community of volunteers that help to keep our Festivals vibrant.

Having previously held the post of Director of External Relations at Barnsley College he has excellent communication skills and enjoys collaborative working. He runs singing workshops for both adults and young people, particularly focussing on Key Stage 1 and 2. He is a visiting lecturer at the University of Salford in the Department of Occupational Therapy, lecturing on presence and engagement.

MALCOLM GREEN studied clarinet at the Royal Academy of Music, where he won many prizes as well as a First Class degree and the Recital Diploma, the Academy's highest performing award.

In 2018 he relinquished his post as Head of Woodwind, Brass and Percussion at Bedford School in order to devote more time to performing and adjudicating.

His performing experience includes recitals at the Purcell Room and Harrogate Festival. He has performed with the Ulster and English National Opera orchestras and is still active as a player. He has been principal clarinet in the Bedford Sinfonia for over thirty years and has performed the Finzi and Copland Concertos with the orchestra.

He has been involved with the Bedfordshire Music Festival for over thirty five years and is currently a Vice President and Life Fellow.

Many of his previous pupils have joined the music profession and previous pupils who have gone into other spheres include the former England test captain Alastair Cook and "Pub Landlord" Al Murray!

JACQUELINE EDWARDS A descendant of Dame Clara Butt, Jacqueline studied at the RCM and the Mozarteum, Salzburg. She has performed extensively in oratorio and on the concert platform, and has sung with Opera North, Glyndebourne Touring Opera, English Touring Opera, Wexford Festival Opera, Opéra du Nord in Lille, France and the BBC Singers.

Jacqueline has been a qualified singing teacher and vocal coach for over thirty-five years, both in London and York, and teaches adult beginners to professionals, including members of Opera North and York Minster Songmen.

Since 1993, Jacqueline has adjudicated Solo Singing for The British and International Federation of Festivals across the UK and in Southern Ireland, and in 1994, founded the highly successful York Competitive Festival of Singing. She has accompanied Master Classes presented by Malcolm Martineau, Richard Jackson and Dame Anne Evans for The Association of Teachers of Singing of which she is a member.

Having a great interest in vocal physiology and rehabilitation, Jacqueline worked for some years as Singing Specialist for the multi-disciplinary Voice Clinic at Leeds General Infirmary.

As both singer and pianist, Jacqueline presents a series of light-hearted one-woman shows for which she composes some of her own humorous material.

RULES

1. ENTRIES:

See the Entry Form for details of how to enter by post or email. It would help us enormously if you could download an entry form and type your entry, rather than handwrite it (especially your email address!).

Entry closing date Monday 28th October 2024

Fees are shown for each class within the syllabus. Fees cannot be refunded except where the Festival cancels a class. Payment may be made by BACS, Cheque (payable to "CMCMF") or cash.

2. **ENTRANTS** may perform once only in each class, except for duet and trio classes where they may play more than once as long as they have different partners, or are a bona fide member of two choirs or groups.

3. **AGES**:

Performers should calculate their age as at January 15th 2025.

4. **GRADES:** Where the grade is given, this is the grade we would expect the performer to have attained. The piece performed should be at the standard for that grade or a maximum of 1 grade higher. In pre-Grade 1 classes, the piece chosen must be Grade 1 maximum. A pupil who is missing an exam and working towards a higher grade, should enter at the appropriate higher standard to ensure we have performances of a similar standard, to make fair competition.

We realise this puts an onus on the performer and their teacher but trust that we can rely on their integrity.

Grades are to be assessed as at January 15th 2025, not the date of entry.

5. OFFICIAL ACCOMPANISTS:

Performers are advised to bring their own accompanist if at all possible. An official accompanist is available in the instrumental and vocal sections. For 2025, the Festival is introducing a charge of £5 per performance for this

service (non-refundable), payable at the time of entry. For those using the official accompanist, we are also introducing a requirement for pieces of Grade 6 difficulty and above, that the performer must arrange and pay for a rehearsal with the official accompanist before the festival. Contact details will be provided. The accompanist will charge a fee of £11 for a rehearsal of up to 20 minutes or £16.50 for a rehearsal of up to 30 minutes, depending on the difficulty of the piece to be performed. The fee is payable directly to the accompanist at the time of the rehearsal. Failure to arrange a rehearsal may result in withdrawal of the service.

OWN CHOICE MUSIC for the official accompanist *must* be in the hands of June Pitts
5 Minster Avenue, Beverley, HU17 0NL by
Monday 16th December 2024

Music should be clearly marked with the performer's name and class, and any musical markings made clear, especially speed.

Accompanists should be provided with an original copy for performance. If you ask to use the official accompanist, then you must do so or risk disqualification or an additional charge.

6. CHOICE OF MUSIC &TIME LIMITS:

In the own choice classes, maximum time limits will be strictly adhered to. Performers must note if they exceed the limit they may not be given a category, only an adjudication. There is no requirement to fill the whole of the allocated time.

Performers may only perform any piece once in any year's festival.

Performers may not perform a piece with which they won the previous year.

7. DUET & TRIO PARTNERS:

If one partner is unable to compete due to illness or accident, a substitute partner may play or sing, provided that the Secretary has notice of this, at the latest, the day before the class is due to take place. We trust performers and teachers not to take advantage of this rule simply because one

partner has not had time to learn the piece, or obtain music in time.

8. ALTERATIONS & CANCELLATIONS:

The organisers reserve the right to cancel any classes which have too few entries, or to re-time any classes or make any alteration as may be necessary for the smooth running of the Festival. Where a class is cancelled before programming, the entry fee will be returned. In the event of an adjudicator being unavailable the organisers will appoint an accredited substitute. Where any part of the programme has to be postponed or cancelled, we regret we will not be able to refund or credit entry fees.

9. REQUIREMENTS 'ON THE DAY'

Performers should sign in 15 minutes before the assigned start time, as classes may run early. The title and composer of own choice pieces must be clearly written on the entry card, which should be handed in along with the music for the adjudicator, at the Registration Desk, at least 15 minutes before the start of the class

10. MUSIC for the ADJUDICATOR:

Copies of own choice music must be supplied for the adjudicator on the day of the Festival and should be handed in at the Registration Desk <u>at least 15 minutes</u> before the start of the class. The copy for the adjudicator must be clearly marked with <u>performer's name</u>, class and ballot number (plus the title and composer of the music if this is not clear).

11. PHOTOCOPYING OF MUSIC:

- (a) Photocopying of sheet music is illegal unless you have written permission from the publisher, except as in (b) below.
- (b) Adjudicator Copy A person performing at the Festival may make one copy for the adjudicator provided that the performer has already purchased his/her own copy and that the copy made is retained and destroyed by the Festival
- (c) Where the performer requires the services of the official accompanist, a photocopy may be sent in advance, but they should provide an original copy of the work for performance on the day.
- (d) The performer and accompanist should have, with them, original copies (or proof of legal

download) of the work for the performance at the Festival.

These rules are set by The Music Publishers Association in conjunction with the British and International Federation of Festivals. Performers finding difficulty in obtaining extra copies should apply to the publishers who are usually very sympathetic in granting permission to copy for a small fee. If you are in any doubt please contact The Music Publishers Association at 103 Kingsway, London WC2B 6QX.

12. **AWARDS**:

All performers will receive an adjudication and a certificate. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place certificates will be awarded where appropriate in each class. The Festival has trophies available to award for most classes. Awards will be withheld if, in the opinion of the adjudicator, the standard of performance is not high enough.

TROPHIES WILL NORMALLY ONLY
BE AWARDED WHERE THE
RECIPIENT IS IN ONE OF THE TOP 4
CATEGORIES.

The adjudicator's decision is final.

Communication with the Adjudicator concerning any matters relating to the competition by entrants, teachers or other interested parties is prohibited and may lead to disqualification.

13. RECORDING & PHOTOGRAPHY:

The Festival is bound by copyright law and licensing of performances, hence, during performance or adjudication, the taking of photographs and making of recordings or videos, including on a mobile phone, are strictly prohibited.

14. PROFESSIONAL STATUS:

The Festival is intended for amateurs. For the purposes of this Festival, an amateur is considered to be one who does not receive more than out of pocket expenses for services rendered in that branch of the art with which the competition is concerned. This rule does not apply to conductors. There is also an exemption for one performer in class 561.

SINGING AND CHORAL CLASSES

TWO SKILLS - see classes 701, 702	RECITAL CLASSES - see classes 740, 741.
HYMN SINGING – Piano accompaniment must be use Test: Any hymn of the performer's choice (maxin Class 302 9 years & under	d in these classes. num 3 verses) from a bona fide Hymn or Chorus book. £4.20
Class 303 12 years & under	£4.20
Class 305 15 years & under	£4.70
Class 306 18 years & under	£5.20
<u>CHORISTER'S SOLO</u> (Choir Boy or Choir Girl) (Bona fide members of Church Choirs only; the r	- Piano accompaniment must be used in these classes. name of the Church should be put on the entry form)
Class 307 Girls 12 years & under Test: One piece of the performer's choice from the C	£4.20 Church Choir repertoire. Not to exceed 3 minutes.
Class 308 Boys, 12 years & under Test: One piece of the performer's choice from the C	£4.20 Church Choir repertoire. Not to exceed 3 minutes.
Class 309 13 - 15 years Test: One piece of the performer's choice from the C	£4.70 Church Choir repertoire. Not to exceed 3 minutes.
Class 310 16 - 18 years Test: One piece of the performer's choice from the 0	£6.20 Church Choir repertoire. Not to exceed 4 minutes.
VOCAL SOLO – own choice – Piano accompanime	nt must be used in these classes.
Class 313 ANY VOICE, 10 years & under Test piece: A song of the performer's choice, no	£4.20 ot to exceed 2 minutes.
Class 314 BOYS, 11 to 14 years Test piece: A song of the performer's choice, no	£4.70 ot to exceed 3 minutes.
Class 315 GIRLS, 11 to 14 years Test piece: A song of the performer's choice, no	£4.70 ot to exceed 3 minutes.

Test piece: A song of the performer's choice, not to exceed 4 minutes.

£6.20

Class 317 ANY VOICE 15 to 18 years

SELF ACCOMPANIED SOLO – accompaniment by Piano or stringed instrument	
Class 318 Any Voice, 13 years and under Test: One piece of the performers' choice, not to exceed 3 minutes	£4.70
Class 319 Any Voice, Open Age Test: One piece of the performers' choice, not to exceed 5 minutes	£6.20
MUSICAL THEATRE – Piano accompaniment must be used in these classes. Test: Any piece of the performer's choice from the Musical Theatre as below not sung in previous years. Costumes, props and movement as appropriate to the piece may be used. Not to exceed 4 minutes.	
Class 323 ANY VOICE, 8 - 11 years Any song from a Disney Musical	£4.20
Class 324 ANY VOICE, 12 - 15 years Any song from a Rogers and Hammerstein Musical	£4.70
Class 325 ANY VOICE, 16 - 18 years Any song from the Musical Theatre repertoire	£6.20
STAGE MUSICAL SOLO – Costumes, props and movement are not allowed. Piano accompaniment must be used in this class.	
Class 326 ANY VOICE, 16 to 18 years Any Stage Musical song of the performer's choice, not to exceed 4 minutes.	£6.20
BRITISH COMPOSERS' SOLO – Piano accompaniment must be used in these classes. Test : Any song of the performer's choice by a British Composer, excluding pieces belonging to the Stage Musical Repertoire and Musical Theatre, not to exceed 4 not seem to be a seem t	ninutes.
Class 327 ANY VOICE, 14 years and under	£4.70
Class 328 ANY VOICE 15 to 18 years	£6.20
UNACCOMPANIED FOLK SONG Test: Any genuine folk song of the performer's choice, not to exceed 3 minutes.	
Class 332 ANY VOICE, 13 years & under	£4.70
Class 333 ANY VOICE, 14 to 18 years	£6.20
VOCAL DUET – Piano accompaniment must be used in these classes. Test : One piece of the performers' choice, not to exceed 4 minutes.	
Class 342 ANY VOICE, 14 years & under	£6.20
Class 343 ANY VOICE, 18 years & under	£7.40

CHOIR CLASSES

Accompaniment must be used, unless otherwise stated. Instruments instead of or as well as the piano may be used, providing all instrumentalists are within the age limit. Conductors and pianists/organists may be either amateur or professional. Conductors must <u>not</u> sing with their choirs. **50 singers maximum.** Please check compliance with rule 10.

<u>SCHOOL CHOIRS OWN CHOICE</u> (Choirs may enter for only one of classes 351, 352) Test: Two contrasting pieces of the Choir's choice, not to exceed 6 minutes.	
Class 351 11 years & under, years 4, 5 & 6	£10.50
Class 352 11 years & under, Open (must include some children from years 3, 2 or 1)	£10.50
SCHOOL CHOIRS' HYMN SINGING (Choirs may enter for only one of classes 353, 354) Test: Any hymn of the Choir's choice from any bona fide Hymn or Chorus book. May be sung in unison or parts, with or without descant, not to exceed 4 minutes.	
Class 353 11 years & under, years 4, 5 & 6	£10.50
Class 354 11 years & under, Open (must include some children from years 3, 2 or 1)	£10.50
<u>SCHOOL CHOIRS' UNACCOMPANIED SINGING</u> (Choirs may enter for only one of clas Test : One piece of the Choir's choice, not to exceed 4 minutes.	ses 355, 356)
Class 355 11 years & under, years 4, 5 & 6	£10.50
Class 356 11 years & under, Open (must include some children from years 3, 2 or 1)	£10.50
SCHOOL SINGING GROUPS Any Style	
Class 357 11 years & under, years 4, 5 & 6 Test: A programme of contrasting music of the group's choice, not to exceed 4 minutes.	£10.50
Class 358 11 years & under, Open (must include some children from years 3, 2 or 1) Test: A programme of contrasting music of the group's choice, not to exceed 4 minutes.	£10.50
 Class 359 Choir Debut, 11 years & under, (for schools and/or choir leaders who have not performed at the Festival in the last 5 years) Test: A programme of contrasting music of the group's choice, not to exceed 4 minutes. 	£10.50
JUNIOR CHOIRS (other than schools)	
Class 361 HYMN SINGING, 18 years & under Test: Any hymn of the Choir's choice. A descant either printed or original may be us not to exceed 6 minutes.	£10.50 ed,

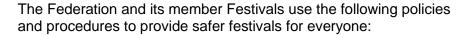
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Test: A programme of music of the Choir's choice, the overall time not to exceed 8 mins.

Class 362 JUNIOR CHOIR RECITAL 18 years & under

Creating Safer Festivals for Everyone





- 1. A single, definitive Child Protection Policy adopted by all Federation Festivals.
- 2. One or more designated Festival Safeguarding Officers (FSO) appointed for each Federation Festival:

Name: Chris Maynard Telephone: 01482 448738

- 3. Best practice advice in the form of Safe Working Practice leaflet, Festival Child Protection leaflet, and any other guidance produced by the Federation. This advice is supported by support and training for all Festival staff and volunteers. Guidance includes clear reporting procedures for anyone with a concern about a child.
- 4. Appropriate recruitment and induction procedures for all new staff and volunteers responsible for providing safe environments for everyone attending/performing at a Federation Festival
- 5. All Festival personnel wear a badge to identify their roles. All teachers/parents/guardians/carers are asked to report all incidents of any nature to anyone wearing a Festival badge. All reported incidents will be handled in accordance with the Safe Working Practice and Festival Child Protection best practice advice. In addition, we will ensure the availability of a quiet area / room where concerns can be expressed in private.
- 6. For the duration of a Festival all teachers/parents/guardians/carers are responsible for the continuous care and supervision of their own children/pupils. If they are unable to attend personally, they must delegate their responsibilities to an identified adult and ensure that their children/pupils are aware of the identity and name of the person responsible for their care. This includes supervision throughout all Festival venues, practice and changing areas that may be provided. The Festival cannot take any responsibility for property left unattended.
- 7. We do not permit any unauthorised photography at our Federation Festivals. For further information on what is and is not authorised, please contact the Festival Safeguarding Officer or anyone wearing a festival badge. If any child, young person or parent/carer is concerned about any photography or recording taking place at an event, please contact the Festival Safeguarding Officer, who will be pleased to discuss this matter with you.
- 8. Some children and adults with support needs may need help in order to take part. If this is the case, we ask the responsible teachers/parents/guardians/carers to contact the Festival Organisers prior to arrival. The Festival aims to meet these needs wherever possible but must know beforehand in order to prepare support or to advise that help cannot be provided on this occasion.
- 9. The Festival's Child Protection Policy and its approach to Creating Safer Festivals for Everyone are published explicitly in our Syllabus, Programme and Website. By completing and signing the entry form all parents / guardians / carers and teachers of entrants under 18 (or adults of any age who may require additional support) confirm that they give (or have obtained) the necessary consents for the entrants to take part in the Festival. Without consent the entry to the Festival cannot be accepted.

COTTINGHAM METHODIST CHURCH MUSICAL FESTIVAL **ENTRY FORM 2025**



One individual, Duet, Trio of Group per form please.

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	3	Yes (fee £5.00) / No	by December 16 th
	3	Yes (fee £5.00) / No	
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Add £2 admin fee £ 2.00	£ 2.00		£2 covers all your entries
TOTAL	£		

Payment is being made by (please tick) ☐ Cheque payable to CMCMF ☐ Bank Transfer to account CMCMF, a/c number 08805105 Sort code 52-21-52 using the performer's name as reference □ by Cash	*Entry cards and timings will be sent by post nearer the festival date. You do not need to send a separate envelope	ormer(s) (or their parent/guardian, if under 18) give consent to be YES / NO fficial photographer for publicity purposes.	By signing this form, I confirm that for all performers under the age of 18 (or vulnerable adults of any age), I give (or have obtained) the necessary consents for the performers to take part in the Festival.	gned) Adult Performer (Y / N); Teacher (Y / N); Parent (Y / N); Guardian (Y / N) (please indicate)	e print clearly)	This form may be photocopied and/or submitted as an attachment to moll_cmc@live.co.uk Or sent to Christopher Moll, 10 The Paddock, Cottingham, HU16 4RA	Further Entry Forms and Teachers' Forms for multiple entries may be downloaded from www.cottingham-methodist.or.uk/musical-festival. Please download your entry if possible.
Payment is being mad Cheque payable Bank Transfer t Sort code 52	*Entry cards and timings will be sent by post n	The above-names performer(s) (or their parent/guardian, if unde photographed by the official photographer for publicity purposes	By signing this form, I confirm that for age), I give (or have obtained) the nece	(Signed)Adult Performer (Y / N); Tea	Email (please print clearly)	This form may be photocopied and/ Or sent to Christopher Moll, 1	Further Entry Forms and Teache www.cottingham-methodist.c

In accordance with GDPR regulations, personal details given on this form will be held securely in our database

and used only in conjunction with the Festival. No information will be shared with any other organisation.

Child Protection Policy Statement

The British and International Federation of Festivals for Music, Dance and Speech (BIFF) works for amateur festivals everywhere to help create thousands of educational performance opportunities for children and young people each year.



The Federation and our member Festivals are committed to ensuring safe environments for children and young people and believe that it is always unacceptable for a child or young person to experience abuse of any kind.

We recognise our responsibility to safeguard the welfare of all children and young people, by a commitment to recommend best practice which protects them.

This policy applies to our Board of Trustees, paid staff, Adjudicator members, volunteers, students or anyone working on behalf of the Federation and our member Festivals. It has been drawn up on the basis of relevant law and guidance that seeks to protect children and young people, and its purpose is to set out the overarching principles that guide our approach.

We recognise that:

- the welfare of the child/young person is paramount
- all children, regardless of age, disability, gender, racial heritage, religious belief, sexual orientation or identity, have the right to equal protection from all types of harm or abuse
- working in partnership with children, young people, their parents, carers and other agencies is essential in promoting young people's welfare.

The purpose of the policy:

- to provide protection for the children and young people who participate in our festivals, including the children of festival members
- to provide staff and volunteers with guidance on procedures they should adopt in the event that they suspect a child or young person may be experiencing, or be at risk of, harm

We will seek to safeguard children and young people by:

- valuing them, listening to and respecting them
- appointing a Federation Head of Safeguarding and, for each festival, at least one Festival Safeguarding
 Officer
- adopting child protection guidelines through procedures and safe working practice for staff and volunteers
- working within the legislation and guidance that specifically addresses the needs of young performers (specifically, the Children and Young People Acts 1933 and 1963, and the Children (Performance and Activities) (England) Regulations 2014
- adopting a safe and balanced approach to the issue of creating and using photography and images of children and young people at our festivals and in our communications
- recruiting staff and volunteers safely, ensuring all necessary checks are made
- sharing information about child protection and safe working practice with children, parents, staff and volunteers
- sharing information about concerns with agencies who need to know, and involving parents and children appropriately
- providing effective management for staff and volunteers through supervision, support and training.

The Federation will review this policy each year in line with NSPCC guidance or sooner in light of any changes in legislation or guidance.

CHURCH MUSIC GROUP/CHOIR

Class 363 GROUP/CHOIR (singers and instrumentalists), to include at least 4 £12.50

singers/instrumentalists & 4 instruments

Test: Two contrasting pieces of the group's choice in the modern church idiom,

not to exceed 8 minutes.

Class 364 CHURCH CHOIR

£12.50

£12.50

Test: Two contrasting pieces of the group's choice, not to exceed 8 minutes; one piece may be unaccompanied

<u>CHOIRS</u> New Classes

Class 370 ADULT CHOIR £12.50

Test: A programme of music of the Choir's choice, not to exceed 8 minutes.

Class 371 CHOIR, mixed age - must include both adults and under-16s £12.50

Test: A programme of music of the Choir's choice, not to exceed 8 minutes.

SINGING GROUPS, OPEN, any combination of voices

Class 378 SONGS FROM THE SHOWS

Test: Two contrasting pieces of the Choir's choice, not to exceed 8 minutes.

Class 379 ANY STYLE £12.50

Test: A programme of contrasting music of the group's choice, not to exceed 8 minutes.

ADULT CLASSES – ANY VOICE 18 years & over

The fee for each of these classes is £8.50.-Accompaniment must be by piano except where stated.

Class 401 DRAWING ROOM BALLAD

Test: One piece of the performer's choice from this repertoire, not to exceed 4 mins.

Class 402 BRITISH COMPOSERS' SOLO

Test: Any song of the performer's choice by a British Composer, excluding pieces belonging to the Stage Musical Repertoire, not to exceed 4 mins.

Class 403 ORATORIO SOLO

Test: One piece from an Oratorio, Passion or Mass by Bach, Handel, Haydn, Mendelssohn, Mozart or Vivaldi, not to exceed 6 minutes.

Class 404 OPERA SOLO

Test: Any song from the opera repertoire (not including G & S), not to exceed 4 mins.

Class 405 LIEDER SOLO

Test: Any Lieder solo, not to exceed 6 minutes.

Class 406 UNACCOMPANIED FOLK SONG

Test: Any genuine folk song of the performer's choice, not to exceed 3 mins.

Class 407 STAGE MUSICAL SOLO (inc. Gilbert & Sullivan and Light Opera)

Test: Any Stage Musical song (including Gilbert & Sullivan and Light Opera)

of the performer's choice, not to exceed 4 min.

Class 408 SACRED SOLO

Test: Any Sacred Song of the performer's choice, not to exceed 4 mins.

Class 409 HYMN SINGING

Test: Any hymn of the performer's choice (maximum 3 verses), from any Hymn or Chorus book; may be sung unaccompanied or accompanied by piano or other solo instrument.

Class 410 SPIRITUAL

Test: Any genuine Spiritual of the performer's choice, may be sung unaccompanied or be accompanied by piano or other solo instrument; not to exceed 4 minutes.

Class 411 DUET

Test: Any duet of the performers' choice, not to exceed 4 minutes.

Class 412 OVER 60's OWN CHOICE, ANY VOICE, 60 years & over

Test: Any song of the performer's choice, not to exceed 4 minutes.

Class 413 FOREIGN COMPOSERS' SOLO

Test: Any song by any foreign composer, not including German Lieder, not to exceed 4 mins to be sung in the original language (as long as it's not English).

The Festival 1977 - 2024

In 1977, Ian Cockerline, the Church Organist, had a brainwave – why not have a Musical Festival to help celebrate the Church's Centenary in 1978. He "advised" the Church Choir that they were organising it and then dragged me, a non-Choir member, in to support him. We drew up a syllabus, in hope, which included Piano, Instrumental and Voice. I'm not sure if we had Verse and Bible reading classes at that time - my oldest syllabus is 1981.

Every year has seen various changes in the syllabus, from age groupings for various classes to rewriting some of the rules. We had one teacher who could always find a way around various rules – nothing too drastic, but it kept us on our toes. We had another teacher who used to sit on the front row on the centre aisle and, unintentionally, distract some of the players who did not know them. We got round this by reserving the front two rows "in case the adjudicator wanted to talk to all those playing in a particular class."

In 1984/5 we joined the British Federation of Musical Festivals which has grown to become the British and International Federation of Festivals (BIFF) which has links all over the world. At the time we joined we were an anomaly as we were the only Festival run by a Church, most were free-standing organisations. Membership has given us access to professional adjudicators and we have learnt a lot from their experiences as they adjudicated and examined all round the world; they've also shared a number of amusing incidents.

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INSTRUMENTAL CLASSES

Piano accompaniment must be used except where stated.

TWO SKILLS - see classes 701, 702

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RECITAL CLASSES - see classes 720, 721.

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RECORDER SOLO -	- Piano accom	paniment must b	be used in these classes.
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Test: One piece of the performers own choice not to exceed 4 minutes	£4.20
Class 501 Descant Recorder, 11 years & under Test: One piece of the performers own choice not to exceed 4 minutes	£4.20

Class 502 Descant Recorder, 12 to 14 years £4.70

Test: One piece of the performer's choice, not to exceed 4 minutes.

RECORDER ENSEMBLE – The Piano must NOT be used in these classes

A minimum of 4, and maximum of 12 players allowed in these classes **Test**: A programme of contrasting pieces of music of the group's choice.

Class 504 11 Years & under	£10.50
Not to exceed 5 minutes	

Class 505 14 Years & under £10.50
Not to exceed 6 minutes

Class 506 Open
Not to exceed 8 minutes
£12.50

RECORDER DUET – The Piano must NOT be used in these classes

Class 507	12 years & under	£6.20
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Test: One piece of the performers' choice, not to exceed 2 minutes.

Class 508 13 to 15 years £6.90

Test: One piece of the performers' choice, not to exceed 4 minutes.

SPREAD THE WORD!

If you know anyone who sings or plays and who might be interested in performing at the festival, please pass on a copy of the syllabus or the link to our website. We now have a number of classes across the piano, instrumental and singing sections where adults can be involved, including in combination with others of different ages. Have you noticed that some of our classes are non-competitive?

WOODWIN	ID SOLO – Piano accompaniment must be used in these classes. Test: One piece of the performer's choice.	
Class 515	11 years & under Not to exceed 3 minutes.	£4.20
Class 516	14 years & under Not to exceed 4 minutes.	£4.70
Class 517	15 to 18 years Not to exceed 6 minutes.	£6.20
Class 518	Open Age Not to exceed 7 minutes.	£7.40
UNACCOM	IPANIED WOODWIND SOLO	
Class 519	Open Age Test : One piece of the performer's choice, not to exceed 5 minutes.	£7.40
STRING S	OLO (Bowed Instruments) – Piano accompaniment must be used in these class Test: One piece of the performer's choice.	ses.
Class 520	10 years & under Not to exceed 2 minutes.	£4.20
Class 521	11 & 12 years Not to exceed 4 minutes.	£4.70
Class 522	13 & 14 years Not to exceed 5 minutes.	£4.70
Class 523	15 to 18 years Not to exceed 7 minutes.	£6.20
Class 524	Open Age Not to exceed 7 minutes.	£7.40
UNACCOM	IPANIED STRING SOLO (Bowed Instruments)	
Class 525		£7.40
STRING G	ROUP (Bowed Instruments) – The Piano must NOT be used in these classes	
	Test : One or two pieces of music of the group's choice. A minimum of 3, maximum of 8 players allowed.	
Class 526	11 years & under Not to exceed 4 minutes	£10.50
Class 527	14 years & under Not to exceed 6 minutes	£10.50
Class 528	18 years & under Not to exceed 8 minutes	£12.50

INSTRUME	ENTAL DUET – The Piano must NOT be used in these classes Test : One or two pieces of the performers' choice.		
Class 529	11 years & under Not to exceed 2 minutes		£6.20
Class 530	13 years & under Not to exceed 3 minutes		£6.20
Class 531	18 years & under Not to exceed 4 minutes		£8.40
Class 532	Open age Not to exceed 5 minutes		£8.40
Class 533	TEACHER & PUPIL Only the pupil will be adjudicated. Pupil to have been learning for up to 2 years. Not to exceed 2 minutes.	<i>New Class</i> utes.	£4.70
Class 534	TEACHER & PUPIL Only the pupil will be adjudicated. 11 years and under. Not to exceed 2 minutes.	New Class	£4.70
Class 535	TEACHER & PUPIL Only the pupil will be adjudicated. 14 years and under. Not to exceed 3 minutes.	New Class	£6.20
INSTRUME	ENT & PIANO DUET — Any instrument plus the piano; both to be Test: One piece of the performers' choice.	e adjudicated	
Class 536	13 years & under Not to exceed 3 minutes		£6.20
Class 537	18 years & under Not to exceed 8 minutes		£8.40
Class 538	Open age Not to exceed 8 minutes		£8.40
INSTRUME	ENTAL ENSEMBLE – May include the piano or keyboard Test: One or two pieces of the performers' choice. A minimum of 3, maximum of 8 players allowed. The age restriction	on applies to all p	layers
Class 539	11 years & under Not to exceed 4 minutes		£10.50
Class 540	14 years & under Not to exceed 6 minutes		£10.50
Class 541	18 years & under Not to exceed 8 minutes		£12.50

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Class 542 11 years & under Test: One piece of the performer's choice. Not to exceed 3 minutes	£4.20
Class 543 14 years & under Test: One piece of the performer's choice. Not to exceed 4 minutes	£4.70
Class 544 Open age Test: One piece of the performer's choice. Not to exceed-6 minutes	£7.40

HARP CLASSES — The Piano must NOT be used in these classes. *Grades are assessed as at January 15th 2025, not the date of entry.

BRASS SOLO – Piano accompaniment must be used in these classes

Class 550 SOLO, for those up to grade 4*	(note change from grade 5)	£5.70
Test : One or two pieces of the perform	ner's choice, not to exceed 4 minutes.	

Class 551 SOLO, for those with grade 4 or above* (note change from grade 5) £5.70 Test: One piece of the performer's choice, not to exceed 7 minutes.

Class 552 ENSEMBLE, Open Test: One or two pieces of the performers' choice, not to exceed 8 minutes, minimum of 2 players. £12.50

'FAMILY MEMBERS' DUET — any instrument/piano, in any combination

Class 560 18 years and under eq siblings cousins

		Not to exceed 8 minutes	_	.01.10
Class 561 Open, non-competitive class, adjudication but no marks given Not to exceed 8 minutes (NB. In this class, one duet member may have professional status.)	Class 561	Not to exceed 8 minutes	£	28.40

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The Festival 1977 – 2024 (continued from page 16)

We are very fortunate in that, when the Church was remodelled for the anniversary in 1978, we ended up with such an excellent venue. A number of people who have sung and played in the Church have commented on the excellent acoustics. We have had most of the classes in the Church but at times we've had to use other venues. Our friends at Zion United Reformed Church have been very supportive and for a number of years we held classes there. We've also used the Darby and Joan Hall in Cottingham for our verse classes, Cottingham High School, mainly for Choirs and Cottingham Parish Church, for adult choirs. We also must thank Gough & Davy who one year lent us a piano each weekend for 3 weeks.

We do occasionally worry that, if our numbers grow, we could have to spread over more weekends or look into extra venues. Our usual entry was about 350-400 for a number of years pre-pandemic though in 2012 we had an amazing entry of over 600 and had to use 4 venues at the same time!

Don Masket

PIANOFORTE CLASSES

NOTE - Grades are assessed as at January 15th 2025, not the date of entry.

Before choosing which class to enter, please read Rule 4 carefully to ensure you choose the correct grade.

Please check compliance with the rules, especially 4, 6 and 14.

TWO SKILLS - see classes 701, 702.

RECITAL CLASSES - see classes 730, 731.

<u>PIANO SOLO CLASSES - OWN CHOICE</u>

Test: One piece of the performer's choice, excluding sonatas/sonatinas, not being played by the performer in any other class. In classes 610, 611 and 612, the maximum standard allowed is Grade 1

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Class 610	For those pre-Grade 1 who began having lessons after 15 July 2024 non-competitive class – adjudication but no marks given Not to exceed 2 minutes.	£4.20
Class 611	For those pre-Grade 1 who began having lessons between 15 Jan and 15 July 2024 non-competitive class – adjudication but no marks give Not to exceed 2 minutes.	£4.20 en
Class 612	For those pre-Grade 1 who began having lessons before 15 Jan 2024 non-competitive class – adjudication but no marks given Not to exceed 2 minutes.	£4.20
Class 613	For those with Grade 1 Not to exceed 3 minutes.	£4.20
Class 614	For those with Grade 2 Not to exceed 3 minutes.	£4.20
Class 615	For those with Grade 3 Not to exceed 3 minutes.	£5.20
Class 616	For those with Grade 4 Not to exceed 4 minutes.	£5.20
Class 617	For those with Grade 5 Not to exceed 4 minutes.	£6.20
Class 618	For those with Grade 6 Not to exceed 6 minutes.	£6.20
Class 619	For those with Grade 7 Not to exceed 7 minutes.	£7.40
Class 620	For those with Grade 8 Not to exceed 8 minutes.	£7.40

	Test : Any movement from a sonatina or sonata of the performer's choice by any composer of the Sonatina/Sonata repertoire.	
Class 621	For those up to grade 4 Not to exceed 4 minutes.	£5.20
Class 622	For those with Grades 5 or 6 Not to exceed 5 minutes.	£6.20
Class 623	For those with grade 7 and above Not to exceed 8 minutes.	£7.40
JAZZ, RAC	Test: One piece of the performer's choice in Jazz, Ragtime or Modern idiom.	
Class 624	For those up to grade 3 Not to exceed 3 minutes.	£5.20
Class 625	For those with grades 4 or 5 Not to exceed 4 minutes.	£5.20
Class 626	For those with grade 6 and above Not to exceed 5 minutes.	£6.20
ADULT PI	ANO SOLO: non-competitive class – adjudication but no marks given. Test: One piece of the performer's choice	
Class 627	Up to and including Grade 5 standard Not to exceed 5 minutes.	£8.50
<u>PIANO & INSTRUMENT DUET</u> – see classes 536-538 <u>'FAMILY MEMBERS' DUET</u> - see classes 560 and 561		
<u>PIANO DU</u>	TET CLASSES Test: One piece of the performers' choice.	
Class 636	For those up to and including grade 1 Not to exceed 2 minutes.	£5.20

SONATINA/SONATA SOLO CLASSES

Class 637 For those up to grade 4

Class 638 For those up to grade 6

Class 640 PARENT & CHILD

Not to exceed 3 minutes.

Not to exceed 4 minutes.

Class 639 For those with grades 7 and above

Not to exceed 5 minutes.

Both will be adjudicated. Not to exceed 4 minutes.

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£7.40

£8.40

£6.90

Class 641	TEACHER & PUPIL Only the pupil will be adjudicated. Pupil to have been learning for up to 2 years. Not to exceed 4 minutes.	£4.70
Class 642	TEACHER & PUPIL Only the pupil will be adjudicated. Pupil to have been learning for 2 -4 years. Not to exceed 4 minutes.	£5.20
Class 643	TEACHER & PUPIL Only the pupil will be adjudicated. Pupil to have been learning for more than 4 years. Not to exceed 5 minutes.	£6.20
Class 644	ADULT & CHILD- (not already covered by other classes) Both will be adjudicated. Not to exceed 6 minutes.	£6.70
<u>PIANO TRI</u>	<u>O</u> , (one piano, six hands) Test: One piece of the performers' choice	
Class 650	For performers up to grade 4 Not to exceed 3 minutes.	£3.00
Class 651	For performers of grade 5 and above Not to exceed 5 minutes.	£3.00
Class 652	Open age, any grade One piece of the performers' choice playing at a suitable level. Not to exceed 6 minutes.	£3.00
Class 653	ADULT PIANO DUET <u>OR</u> TRIO* (one piano, four or six hands) non-competitive class, adjudication but no marks given. One piece of the performers' choice. Not to exceed 6 minutes. * a trio may include up to one player who is under 18, to make a viable group.	£10.50

TWO SKILLS

Two different instruments (option including the voice), requiring different techniques, to be played/sung separately by one performer i.e. one performer – two instruments. The performer may be accompanied or unaccompanied.

Test: For each instrument one piece not being played in any other class.

Class 701 13 years and under
Not to exceed 8 minutes, any one piece not to exceed 5 minutes.

Class 702 14 – 18 years
Not to exceed 10 minutes, any one piece not to exceed 6 minutes.

TROPHIES from the 2024 Festival

The way we are collecting in our trophies is changing. If you (or your pupils) currently have a trophy at home, please look out for an email explaining where to return it. We need them to be returned by the end of **November** this year. If you intend to have the trophy engraved, please remember to do that in good time – no later than October!

RECITAL CLASSES

Before choosing which class to enter, please read Rule 5 carefully! Grades are assessed as at January 15th 2025.

Test: A short programme of two or more pieces not being performed in any other class.

Class 720	For String/Brass/Woodwind instrumentalists with grades 4 or 5 Not to exceed 8 minutes, any one piece not to exceed 5 minutes.	£7.90
Class 721	For String/Brass/Woodwind instrumentalists with grade 6 and above Not to exceed 12 minutes.	£9.40
Class 730	For Pianists with grades 4 or 5 Not to exceed 8 minutes, any one piece not to exceed 5 minutes.	£7.90
Class 731	For Pianists with grade 6 and above Not to exceed 12 minutes.	£9.40
Class 740	For Singers with grades 4 or 5 Not to exceed 8 minutes, any one piece not to exceed 5 minutes.	£7.90
Class 741	For Singers with grade 6 and above Not to exceed 12 minutes.	£9.40

FRIENDS OF THE FESTIVAL

The Friends' Association is a valuable part of the Festival and the income from it helps young people in their musical education. Awards are made at the Celebration Concert. Previous recipients have used the money in a variety of ways. It has been spent on music, tuition fees, and has been put towards new musical instruments. The subscription fee is £15 (minimum) which gives admission to all sessions of the Festival and a copy of the programme.

If YOU wish to join the Friends please contact Elaine Moll, 10 The Paddock Cottingham HU16 4RA, Tel 876747, emoll10@hotmail.com, or speak to one of the Stewards.

VOLUNTEERS and HELPERS

We are very very grateful to all the kind people who help out at the festival each year, particularly those who sit at the reception desk issuing tickets and programmes and collecting in the music – it makes such a difference to the smooth running of the festival. If you would like to be involved and have a little time to offer over the festival weekends, do please get in touch.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK

If you have any comments about the Festival or suggestions for things we might include in the future, please do let us know.