

## GRAND ORGAN FESTIVAL 2018

From April to October 2018, Westminster Cathedral presents a series of seven concerts on one of the world's finest organs. The unique and inspiring atmosphere of the Cathedral's sacred space creates a magnificent setting for organ music, and the position of the great four-manual instrument high above the West Door provides the listener with the most direct and comprehensive range of sound and colour of any cathedral organ in the country. The **Grand Organ Festival 2018** offers an opportunity to hear some of the finest British and international artists playing a wide variety of music.

The Grand Organ of Westminster Cathedral is considered by many to be the greatest achievement of Henry Willis III, one of England's finest organ builders. Since its inauguration in 1922 by Marcel Dupré (who was an influential figure in its design), the instrument has been heard in concerts played by many celebrated organists from around the world: Louis Vierne, Fernando Germani, Jeanne Demessieux, Pierre Cochereau, Jean Langlais, George Thalben-Ball, Ralph Downes, Jean Guillou and Dame Gillian Weir have all performed here to great acclaim.

**Tickets** to each concert are **£12** (£10 concessions) and a **Season Ticket** giving admittance to all seven concerts is available for **£70** (£60 concessions). Tickets are available on the door (cash only). We advise that the concerts are not suitable for children under the age of 6.

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# PERFORMERS & PROGRAMMES

All the **Grand Organ Festival 2018** concerts are given on **Wednesdays**, at **7.30pm** and last approximately 75 minutes.

Ticketing information may be found overleaf.



## PETER STEVENS

Westminster Cathedral

**Dupré** Cortège et Litanie  
**Widor** Symphonie Romane  
**Guillou** Saga VI  
**Messiaen** L'Ascension  
**Franck** Choral No. 3 in A minor

25 April



## HENRY FAIRS

Royal Birmingham Conservatoire

**Bach** Sinfonia to Cantata 29 *arr.* Dupré  
**Alain** Première Fantaisie  
**Alain** Deuxième Fantaisie  
**Franck** Fantaisie in A major  
**Bairstow** Sonata in E flat major  
**Schumann** Four Sketches Op. 58  
**Mozart** Fantasia in F minor K 608 *arr.* Fairs

30 May



## DANIEL ROTH

Saint-Sulpice, Paris

*Daniel Roth's concert is kindly sponsored by Martin Owen*

**Roth** Gloria Patri *from* Livre d'orgue pour le Magnificat  
**Bach** Schmücke dich, O liebe Seele BWV 654  
**Franck** Interlude symphonique *from* Rédemption *tr.* Roth  
**Widor** Intermezzo *from* Symphonie No. 6 in G minor  
**Dupré** Prelude & Fugue in F minor  
**Roth** Deposuit *from* Livre d'orgue pour le Magnificat  
**Roth** Improvisation  
**Reubke** Sonata on the 94th Psalm

20 June



## ISABELLE DEMERS

Texas, USA

**Jean-Baptiste Robin** Cinq versets sur le Veni Creator  
**Mulet** Nef, Rosace & Tu es petra *from* Esquisses byzantines  
**Leo Sowerby** Requiescat in pace  
**Messiaen** Institution de l'Eucharistie & Les Ressuscités et la Lumière de Vie  
*from* Livre du Saint-Sacrament  
**Durufié** Prélude, Adagio et Choral varié sur le Veni Creator

25 July



## MARTIN BAKER

Westminster Cathedral

**Bach** Chromatic Fantasia & Fugue BWV 903 *tr.* Reger  
**Reger** Trauerode  
**Widor** Symphonie No. 7 in A minor

29 August



## STEPHEN FARR

London

**Francis Grier** New work – *world première*  
**Bach** Prelude & Fugue in B minor BWV 544  
**Franck** Fantaisie in C major  
**Alain** Postlude pour l'Office de Complies  
**Leighton** Missa de Gloria

19 September



## CATHERINE ENNIS

London

**Bach** Toccata & Fugue in F major BWV 540  
**Schumann** Nicht zu schnell, Innig & Adagio  
*from* Six Studies in Canonic Form Op. 56  
**Brahms** Prelude & Fugue in G minor  
**Parry** Four Chorale Preludes  
**Reger** Sonata No. 2 in D minor

24 October

*Daniel Roth and Isabelle Demers's accommodation in London is kindly provided by The Rubens Hotel*