



Choral Workshop

Explore JS Bach's 1725 *St John Passion*
with Rory McCleery

3-5.30pm, Sunday 26 May 2019

Tithe Barn, Priory Green, Dunster

'McCleery, a countertenor and academic as well as conductor, introduced the items with a lucidity combining boyish geniality with quite startling erudition.' **The Sunday Times**

£15 including music and refreshments



Join Rory McCleery, artistic director of The Marian Consort, for an afternoon workshop exploring the music of JS Bach's lesser-known 1725 version of the *St John Passion*.

The 1725 *St John Passion* contains many beautiful choruses and chorales not found in the 'standard' version and we will be exploring these, paying close attention to Bach's treatment of the German text. The workshop will begin with a gentle vocal and physical warm-up, and will end with an informal sing-through/performance of the music studied.

Our workshop is open to all, although some prior choral experience and a familiarity with reading sheet music is recommended. Music will be provided on the day, and can also be sent out in advance as a pdf.

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Late Night Session

Sponsored by
Quantock Brewery

10pm Friday 24 May Tickets £10 (free beer)

Emma Brain-Gabbott (Soprano) | Rachel Wick (Harp)

An hour of sumptuous music in the candle-lit surroundings of St George's, with songs by Poulenc, Caplet, Lennox Berkeley and Benjamin Britten.



Breaking the Rules



7.30pm Saturday 25 May Tickets £10 - £20

The Marian Consort | Gerald Kyd (Actor)

Notorious Renaissance composer, prince and murderer Carlo Gesualdo is brought vividly to life in this gripping music drama starring Gerald Kyd.

A Tale of Two Centuries

7.30pm Sunday 26 May Tickets £10 - £20

Ludus Baroque | Mhairi Lawson (Soprano)

Cantatas by Monteverdi, Strozzi and Handel sung by international superstar Mhairi Lawson are heard alongside instrumental sonatas performed by Scotland's leading period instrument ensemble.



JS Bach *St John Passion* (1725)

3pm Monday 27 May Tickets £15 - £25

Nicholas Mulroy (Evangelist) | Matthew Brook (Christus)

The Marian Consort | Rory McCleery (Conductor)

Hear this iconic work in its unusual 1725 version, performed by internationally acclaimed soloists and an orchestra of Britain's finest Baroque instrumentalists.

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