

## Wetherby Choral Society Programme History 1974-2024

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**Conductor and founder: Malcolm Spencer**

**Head of Music at Wetherby High School**

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Sept 1974	Rehearsals begin
March 1975	Handel – Messiah
Nov 1975	Can't help singing
July 1976	RVW – Sea Symphony
Jan 1977	Handel – Messiah
June 1977	A Night at the opera
Oct 1977	Faure – Requiem
May 1978	Haydn – Creation
Nov 1978	Prelude to Christmas (seasonal songs)

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**Conductor: Roy Rimmer**

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May 1978	Vivaldi – Gloria
	Mozart – Mass in D
Nov 1979	Rossini – Petite Messe Solenelle
April 1980	Charpentier – Te Deum
	Beethoven – Mass in C
Nov 1980	Handel – Messiah
Dec 1980	Carol Concert
May 1981	Haydn – Little Organ Mass
	Faure – Requiem
	Bernstein – Chichester Psalms

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**Conductor: Michael Johnson**

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Nov 1981	Haydn – Nelson Mass
	Bach – Sleepers Wake

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**Conductor: Roy Rimmer**

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March 1982	Parry – Blest Pair of Sirens
	Brahms – A German Requiem

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**Conductor: Michael Johnson**

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May 1982	Recital of English Music
	Parry – Blest Pair of Sirens
Nov 1982	Mendelssohn – Elijah
Dec 1982	Carol Concert
May 1983	Rossini – Petite Messe Solenelle

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**Conductor: Anthony Langford**

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Oct 1983	Haydn – Creation
Dec 1983	Carol Concert
Mar 1984	Handel – Dixit Dominus
	Handel – Chandos Anthem

May 1984	Elgar – From the Bavarian Highlands Brahms – Leibeslieder Waltzes
Nov 1884	Mendelssohn – Hymn of Praise Parry – Blest Pair of Sirens
Dec 1984	Handel – Messiah (Come and Sing)
March 1985	Bach – St John Passion
May 1985	Faure – Requiem Durufle – Four Motets Poulenc – Litanies of Rocamadour
Oct 1985	Mozart – Requiem Mozart – Solemn Vespers
Dec 1985	Handel – Messiah
March 1986	Stainer – Crucifixion
May 1986	Howells – Hymnus Paradisi RVW – Five Mystical Songs
Nov 1986	Haydn – St Nicholas Mass Britten – St Nicholas
April 1987	Bach – Mass in B minor
May 1987	Voices and Brass
Oct 1987	Elgar – Dream of Gerontius
Dec 1987	Carol Concert
March 1988	Handel – Messiah, parts 1 & 2
May 1988	Dvorak – Mass in D Handel – Zadok the Priest Handel – The King shall rejoice
Nov 1988	Brahms – Requiem Stanford – Songs of the fleet
Dec 1988	Carol Concert
March 1989	Durufle – Requiem RVW – Benedicite
June 1989	Vivaldi – Te Deum & Gloria Bach – Cantatas 79 and 192
Oct 1989	Mendelssohn – Elijah
Dec 1989	Handel – Messiah (Come and Sing)
March 1990	Bach – St Matthew Passion
June 1990	Music for Brass and Voices
Nov 1990	Purcell – Dido and Aeneas G & S – Trial by Jury
Dec 1990	Handel – Messiah
March 1991	Stainer – Crucifixion Faure – Requiem
May 1991	Holst – Two Psalms RVW – Dona Nobis Pacem
Nov 1991	Mendelssohn – St Paul
March 1992	Faure – Cantique de Jean Racine Poulenc – Litanies of Rocamadour
June 1992	Haydn – Nelson Mass Mozart – Solemn Vespers

Nov 1992      Rossini – Petite Messe Solenelle  
Verdi – Ave Maria  
Mascagni – Easter Hymn  
June 1993      Haydn – Creation

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**Conductor: John Dunford**

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Nov 1993      Handel – Coronation anthems  
Handel – O praise the Lord with one consent  
Dec 1993      Carol Concert  
March 1994      Britten -Rejoice in the lamb  
Vivaldi – Magnificat  
Schubert – Mass in G  
Bernstein – Chichester Psalms  
June 1994      Mozart – Requiem  
Mozart – Solemn Vespers  
Dec 1994      Bach – Christmas Oratorio Pts 1, 2, 3 & 6  
March 1995      Haydn – Mass in Time of War  
Rutter – Magnificat  
May 1994      Handel – Judas Maccabeus  
Oct 1995      Purcell – Come ye sons of art away  
Purcell – Te Deum and Jubilate  
Purcell – Hail Bright Cecilia  
Dec 1995      Handel – Messiah  
March 1996      **Leeds Town Hall with Ashville College**  
Orff – Carmina Burana  
Rutter – Magnificat  
June 1996      A Treasury of English Church Music  
Nov 1996      Steele – Sinfonia Sacra  
Brahms – Requiem  
Dec 1996      Carol Concert  
March 1997      Bach – Jesu meine freude  
Haydn – Stabat Mater  
June 1997      Handel – Saul  
Oct 1997      Handel – Messiah (Hospice)  
Nov 1997      Rossini – Petite Messe Solenelle  
Brahms – Leibesleider Waltzes  
Dec 1997      Handel – Messiah  
March 1998      Bach – St John Passion  
June 1998      Haydn – Nelson Mass  
Taylor – I have a dream  
Nov 1998      Handel – Dixit Dominus  
RVW – Five Mystical Songs  
Bach – Cantata 51  
Dec 1998      Handel – Messiah  
March 1999      **Leeds Town Hall with Ashville College**  
Mozart – Requiem  
Carter – Benedicite

June 1999	Handel – Zadok the Priest Mozart – Mass in C minor Schubert – Mass in G
Oct 1999	Haydn – Creation
Dec 1999	Vivaldi – Gloria Britten – St Nicholas
March 2000	Faure – Requiem Faure – Cantique de Jean Racine
June 2000	Britten – Rejoice in the lamb Bernstein – Chichester Psalms Rutter – Magnificat
Oct 2000	Handel – Messiah (Hospice)
Nov 2000	Mendelssohn – Elijah
Dec 2000	Handel – Messiah
March 2001	Brahms – Song of Destiny Dvorak – Stabat Mater
July 2001	Gala Concert with Debra Morley
Nov 2001	Mozart – Solemn Vespers Haydn – Mass in Time of War Bach – Brandenburg Concerto No. 5
Dec 2001	Bach – Magnificat Puccini – Messe di Gloria
March 2002	<b>Leeds Town Hall with Ashville College</b> Verdi – Requiem
June 2002	Handel – Saul
Nov 2002	Pekkonen – Russian Requiem
Dec 2002	Handel – Messiah
March 2003	Faure – Requiem Faure – Cantique de Jean Racine Taylor – I have a dream
June 2003	Mozart – Coronation Mass Mozart – Exsultate Jubilate Handel – Coronation anthems
Oct 2003	Brahms – Requiem RVW – Five Mystical Songs
Dec 2003	Bach – Wachet Auf Haydn – Harmoniemesse
March 2004	<b>Leeds Town Hall with Ashville College</b> Orff – Carmina Burana Finzi – Intimations of Immortality
May 2004	Rossini – Petite Messe Solenelle
Nov 2004	Rutter – Requiem Mozart – Requiem
Dec 2004	Handel – Messiah
May 2005	Mendelssohn – Elijah
Nov 2005	Vivaldi – Gloria Bach – Kyrie & Gloria from Mass in B Minor
Dec 2005	Handel – Messiah

April 2006	Puccini – Messe di Gloria Mendelssohn – Hymn of Praise
June 2006	Haydn – Creation
Nov 2006	Willcocks – Lux Perpetua Jenkins – The Armed Man
Dec 2006	Handel – Messiah
March 2007	<b>Leeds Town Hall with Ashville College</b> Rutter – Feel the Spirit Puccini – Messe de Gloria Mozart – Clarinet Concerto
July 2007	Gala Concert with Debra Morley
Nov 2007	Durufle – Requiem Haydn – Maria Theresa Mass
Dec 2007	Handel – Messiah
April 2008	Handel – Judas Maccabeus
June 2008	Rossini – Petite Messe Solenelle
Nov 2008	Mozart – Mass in C minor Mozart – Solemn Vespers
Dec 2008	Handel – Messiah
April 2009	Bach – St John Passion
June 2009	Purcell – Hail Bright Cecilia Purcell – Come ye sons of art
Nov 2009	Handel – Israel in Egypt
Dec 2009	Handel – Messiah
Jan 2010	Handel – Messiah (Marie Curie)
March 2010	Mozart – Requiem Haydn – Harmoniemesse
June 2010	Rutter – Psalmfest & Anthems Schubert – Mass in G Stanford – Magnificat
Nov 2010	Steel – Sinfonia Sacra Brahms – Requiem
Dec 2010	Handel – Messiah
March 2011	Jenkins – The Armed Man Faure – Requiem
June 2011	Bach – Cantata 78 Bach – Magnificat Haydn – Mass in Time of War
Nov 2011	RVW – Dona Nobis Pacem Rutter – Requiem
Dec 2011	Handel – Messiah
Jan 2012	Handel – Messiah (Marie Curie)
March 2012	<b>Leeds Town Hall with Ashville College</b> Verdi – Requiem
June 2012	Purcell – Didi and Aeneas Handel – Dixit Dominus
Nov 2012	<b>Ripon Cathedral with North Yorkshire Chorus</b> Elgar – Dream of Gerontius

Dec 2012	Handel Messiah (Dublin 1742)
March 2013	Handel – Saul
June 2013	Tippett – Five Spirituals Rutter – Feel the Spirit Taylor – I have a dream
Nov 2013	Carter – Musick’s Jubilee RVW – Fantasia on Christmas Carols Britten – St Nicholas
Dec 2013	Handel – Messiah
March 2014	Bach – St Matthew Passion
June 2014	Mendelssohn – St Paul
Nov 2014	RVW – Sea Symphony Elgar – Sea Pictures Mendelssohn – Hebrides Overture
Dec 2014	Handel – Messiah
March 2015	Handel – Samson
June 2015	Vivaldi – Introduction and Gloria Bach – Cantata 11 Haydn – Nelson Mass
Nov 2015	Mendelssohn – Elijah
Dec 2015	Handel – Messiah
March 2016	Maunder – Olivet to Calvary
May 2016	<b><i>Ripon Cathedral with North Yorkshire Chorus</i></b> Verdi -Requiem (cond. Greg Smith)
July 2016	Rossini – Petite Messe Solenelle
Nov 2016	Lee – Sacrifices Mozart – Mass in C Minor
Dec 2016	Handel – Messiah
April 2017	Monteverdi – Vespers
July 2017	Bernstein – Chichester Psalms Britten – Rejoice in the Lamb RVW – Five Mystical Songs Vivaldi – Gloria
Nov 2017	CPE Bach – Magnificat Vivaldi – Dixit Dominus Handel – Zadok the Priest
Dec 2017	Handel – Messiah
March 2018	Handel – Israel in Egypt
June 2018	Mozart – Requiem Mozart – Solemn Vespers Mozart – Exsultate Jubilate
Nov 2018	Jenkins – The Armed Man Goodall – Eternal Light
Dec 2018	Handel – Messiah
April 2019	Bach – St John Passion
June 2019	Haydn – Creation
Nov 2019	Handel – Judas Maccabues
Dec 2019	Handel – Messiah

Mar 2019	<b><i>Choir activities paused for Covid 19 Pandemic</i></b>
Sept 2020	<b><i>Choir activities resume</i></b>
Nov 2021	Haydn – Nelson Mass Rutter – Feel the Spirit
Dec 2021	Handel – Messiah
March 2022	Handel – Coronation Anthems Mozart – Coronation Mass
June 2022	Puccini – Messe de Gloria Rutter – Magnificat
Dec 2022	Bach – Christmas Oratorio Pts 1, 2, 3 & 6
April 2023	Handel – Solomon
June 2023	Anthems and Brass
Nov 2023	Jenkins – The Armed Man Carr – Seven last words from the cross
Dec 2023	Handel – Messiah and carols ( <b>cond. Dave Grealy</b> )
March 2024	<b>50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert</b> RVW – Sea Symphony Elgar – Sea Pictures Mendelssohn – Hebrides Overture
June 2024	Handel – Dettingen Te Deum Bach – Cantata 51: Jauchzet Gott Vivaldi – Introduction and Gloria