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City of Leeds
Youth Orchestra*

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From our conductor

City of Leeds Youth Orchestra Newsletter



CLYO is, as we know, amazing!

Following the extraordinary concert in Leeds Town Hall at the end of last term, we now move forward quickly to the May concert, the residential course at Repton and the final concert in Ripon Cathedral. CLYO is, as we know, amazing and there are very few orchestras of this quality in the UK; the concert in LTH in March only

emphasised that. At full strength this year we numbered 95 but about 35 will be leaving in the summer so, as always, we need many new people to apply. We need people to apply on all instruments and I challenge everyone in the orchestra (including leavers) to persuade at least one or two people to apply.

The messages are that:

CLYO is one of the best and most friendly youth orchestras in the UK.

We play amazing music and have an amazing time.

Everyone is friendly but we're also brilliant!

We do great concerts and at the end of the year we will be going on

a foreign tour

What's not to like about that?!!



Dougie

We need YOUR help to keep CLYO so special

Reminder about payments for the summer residential course at Repton:

Payment of £295 is now due.

Cheques payable to Artforms Music Service. Please put your daughter/son's name on the back of the cheque.

Cheques can be given to Dougie, Hannah or Kipps on a Friday evening or posted to the Artforms office. If you'd prefer to pay in instalments, please speak to Dougie.

Take up for the course has been excellent and we will have an orchestra of approx. 85 which is superb.

Dates

Concert in St Edmund's Church

St Edmund's Church	Saturday 16 May
Rehearsal	3.30pm
Concert	7.30pm

Summer Course starts Sunday 12 July

Concert in Ripon Cathedral Friday 17 July

CLYO in Concert in May

Berlioz	Hungarian March
Faure	Sicilienne
Barber	Adagio for Strings
Elgar	Pomp and Circumstance March No.4
Dvorak	Symphony No.8

Please hand in completed E1 parental consent forms for the course a.s.a.p. to Hannah Duff or Julia at rehearsals or at May concert.

The Friends of CLYO are delighted to be able to provide bursaries, as needed, for the upcoming course so that everyone is able to join in one of the major highlights of the orchestra year.

From the editor

Welcome to our summer newsletter. You will find information about the upcoming course and concerts, opportunities available including the most important one of all - what you can do to help CLYO continue to be our very special orchestra.

Julie McLeish

Chair of FCLYO



The Friends of CLYO



May concert at St Ed's

Tickets will be on sale at the end of Friday evening rehearsals before the concert and on the door.

Prices:

Adults	£10
Concessions	£5 students and over 60's
Children	Free

Cash or cheques payable to 'Friends of CLYO'.



Please can we have a good gang of people to help Kipps set up on the day?

The Friends will be running a 'Guess the number of notes' competition during the evening.. 50p a go.



An advertising opportunity



This year we have decided to produce a smart, gala type, programme for our final concert of the year in Ripon. There is an opportunity to sponsor the orchestra by placing an advertisement in the programme - prices from just £25. If you know of anyone who might be interested in advertising in our programme - or you would like more information - please contact juliemcleish@aol.com.



Photos and calendar

Photos of the whole orchestra taken in LTH are now available to view and purchase at <http://apertures.dphoto.com/> Password: headrow Individual shots will be available later in the year.

Following on from the success of a deluxe weekly 2014 calendar, the Friends are delighted to announce that we will be producing a similar 2016 CLYO calendar including photos taken at Leeds Town Hall and at Repton, in time for the Ripon concert. This will be a wonderful memento for all in CLYO.

Recordings



A recording of our wonderful LTH concert will soon be available to download from our website - www.clyo.org.uk. We are also planning to record our final concert of the year in Ripon Cathedral.

Did you know that you can listen to snippets of the recordings on the 'Buy our recordings' page of our website?

I'm sorry that I am now stuck in Bournemouth on the 16th May but delighted that John Stringer is available to conduct the concert. It should be a good one and, as always, exciting given the short rehearsal period!

Dougie

The crucial moment...

The end of the year is fast approaching and we reach the most crucial moment. If we are to maintain the extraordinary thing that is CLYO then everyone must encourage suitable players to apply to join.

YOU are our best recruiters

You are our best recruiters as YOU know how amazing CLYO is. Please EVERYONE (parents too) make a point of thinking who you know that might be a good new member of the orchestra and then encourage them to apply!!

YOU know how amazing CLYO is



Please don't leave it to others..

Talk to your instrumental teacher, to friends, to music teachers at school.....

Who can YOU invite to apply?



The provisional date for CLYO auditions is 6 June but we usually continue through to the summer.

Application forms may be downloaded from the CLYO website - www.clyo.org.uk/joining/ or the Artforms website - www.artformsleeds.co.uk/shared/cms/interface/ Anyone wanting more information may contact Amelie Addison by email at Amelie.Addison@leeds.gov.uk or by telephone 0113 247 5499.

Application forms need to be handed in by 22 May 2015.

Time for a cuppa?



Did you know that the tuck shop run on a Friday evening for players and supporters/ chauffeurs(!) raises approx. £1000/year?!

This money is shared between the three CLYM groups that rehearse on a Friday evening in City of Leeds City Academy and is used to benefit all these groups. So do come and join us in the dining room for a cuppa - all in a good cause.

Anyone interested in helping on the tuck shop rota from September would be very welcome. Please contact Rachel Howitt on glenmore53@freeuk.com.

We are looking forward to hearing soon what recent monies raised have been spent on.