

(Newly-added and updated events are highlighted)

## MAY 2024

### **Friday 3rd May, 12.30-1.15pm, Kendal Parish Church**

**Friday Lunchtime Organ Concerts:** Charles Edmondson (Kendal). Admission free, with retiring collection. Proceeds to the Organ Restoration Fund.

<https://kendalparishchurch.co.uk/whats-on/>

### **Friday 3rd May, 7.30pm, Victoria Hall, Main Street, Grange Over Sands**

**Grange Over Sands & District Concert Club:** Brass Tracks – brass quintet. Appearing courtesy of Classical Musicians Scotland. [www.grangeoversandsconcertclub.org.uk](http://www.grangeoversandsconcertclub.org.uk)

### **Saturday 4th May, 10.30am, Lancaster Priory**

**Saturday Coffee Concerts** – Admission free with a retiring collection. Fairtrade drinks available 30 minutes before the concert from the Priory Café.

<https://lancasterpriory.org/concerts/saturday-coffee-concerts-january-april-2024/>

### **Saturday 4th to Sunday 5th May**

**A 'Taste of Morland'**. A children's singing weekend at Newby End Farm, Newby, led by Emma Richardson.

### **Saturday 4th May, 9.30am-1.15pm, Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal**

**Cumbria Festival Chorus** – Rehearsal for July's performances of Rachmaninov's Vespers.

<http://cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com/july-rachmaninov-vespers.html>

### **Saturday 4th May, 7.30pm, St Mary's Church, Ambleside**

**Ambleside & District Choral Society** – Mozart *Requiem in D minor*, Beethoven *Fantasy in C minor* for piano, orchestra and chorus, Haydn *Insanae et vanae curae*. Conducted by Marco Giudici. With Laurie Ashworth (soprano), Wendy Sharrock (mezzo), Nicholas Hurndall Smith (tenor), Rob Gildon (bass), and Lonsdale Ensemble, leader Julian Cann. Also featuring international pianist, Juanjo Blázquez.

[www.amblesidechoralsociety.org.uk](http://www.amblesidechoralsociety.org.uk)

### **Saturday 4th May – time and venue tbc**

**Wordsworth Singers.** <https://www.wordsworthsingers.org.uk>

### **Saturday 4th May, 7.30pm, Wordsworth Street Methodist Church, Penrith**

**Penrith Singers, accompanied by Eden Baroque Ensemble**, performing a programme of largely Italian baroque works. <https://www.penrithsingers.co.uk/>

### **Saturday 4th to Monday 6th May, Kendal**

**Kendal Cycling Festival.** This may have an impact on parking in Kendal town centre.

### **Sunday 5th May, 2.00pm, St Mary's Church, Windermere**

**Burnside Brass with OfOneAccord choir** from Shropshire, on tour.

<https://www.burnsidebrass.co.uk/>

**Sunday 5th May, 2.30-3.30pm (no interval), St Anne's Church, Ings, Staveley**

**Iona Brown (violin) and Mike Gerrard (viola)** – wife and husband duo from Royal Northern Sinfonia. A further instalment in Iona's Bach Challenge. Programme includes Mozart *Duo in B flat*, and Martinu Madrigals. Admission £10 at the door, including tea & buns after the concert. [www.ingsvillage.org.uk](http://www.ingsvillage.org.uk)

**Sunday 5th May, 2.30pm, Heron Theatre, Beetham**

**Tom Dale** is one of the most exciting British classical guitarists to emerge in the UK in recent years. He graduated from the Royal Northern College of Music in 2023 after 4 years studying under the tuition of Craig Ogden. Tom has become an accomplished performer and has given solo performances in prestigious venues including Bridgewater Hall, Stoller Hall and the International Anthony Burgess Foundation. Tickets £15 (members £12) at [www.theherontheatre.com](http://www.theherontheatre.com) or pay at the door.

**Sunday 5th May – times and venue tbc**

**Ulverston International Music Festival** – rehearsal for the Festival's choral concert. Conductor John Gibbons and the repertoire is to include Vaughan Williams: The Garden of Proserpine and Faure: Requiem. Further rehearsal on 26th May. More information from Rowena Gibbons at [ulverstonmusicfestival@gmail.com](mailto:ulverstonmusicfestival@gmail.com). [www.ulverstonmusicfestival.co.uk](http://www.ulverstonmusicfestival.co.uk)

**Wednesday 8th May, 7.00pm, St Oswald's Church, Church Stile, Grasmere**

**Music at Grasmere** – Organ Recital by Edward Taylor (Carlisle Cathedral). For more information contact Ian Hare at [ian.c.hare@outlook.com](mailto:ian.c.hare@outlook.com)

**Thursday 9th May, 6.30-9.45pm, Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal**

**Cumbria Festival Chorus** – Rehearsal for July's performances of Rachmaninov's Vespers. <http://cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com/july-rachmaninov-vespers.html>

**Thursday 9th May, 7.30pm, Chaplaincy Centre, Lancaster University**

**Ariana Kim and Michael Poll in Concert:** American violinist and Grammy nominated artist, Ariana Kim, performs together with classical guitarist, Michael Poll, featuring a programme including Johann Sebastian Bach, Niccolò Paganini and Astor Piazzolla. Tickets: [lancasterarts.org](http://lancasterarts.org)

**Saturday 11th May, 10.30am, Lancaster Priory**

**Saturday Coffee Concerts** – Admission free with a retiring collection. Fairtrade drinks available 30 minutes before the concert from the Priory Café. <https://lancasterpriory.org/concerts/saturday-coffee-concerts-january-april-2024/>

**Saturday 11th May, 7.00pm, Slyne-with-Hest Church Hall, Shady Lane, Slyne LA2 6JG**

**The Rushley Singers** conducted by Rachael Lee. More details later.

**Saturday 11th May, 7.30pm, St Anne's Church, Ings, Staveley**

**Staveley Choral Society: Music for These Distracted Times**, conducted by Wendy Randall, with soloists Nicola Corbishley (soprano), Linda Walker (contralto), Ian Jones (tenor) and Charlie Murray (bass). With David Battersby (piano), AnnaKate Pearson (harp), Doug Dawson (timpani), Julie Blaney (oboe), and Bridget Starling (bassoon). Haydn *Nelson Mass*, Morten Lauridsen *O Nata Lux*, Carl Jenkins

*Benedictus* and *Agnus Dei* from *The Armed Man – A Mass for Peace*, and more. Tickets £12. <https://staveleychoral.org.uk/>

**Saturday 11th May, 7.30pm, Kendal Leisure Centre**

**Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society.** Jess Gillam (saxophone) and the Royal Northern Sinfonia. [www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk](http://www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk)

**Saturday 11th May, 7.30pm, Kendal Parish Church, Kirkland, Kendal**

**Dominic Downs (piano).** Dominic Downs has been described on BBC1 as 'an extraordinary talent with a bright future ahead of him', and by Radio 3 presenter Linton Stephens as 'the performer who really drew me in', when he was awarded first prize for performance at a recent competition. This recital will include works by Mozart, Greig, Haydn, Chaminade, Bach, Debussy and others. The performance has a 15 minute interval where refreshments will be available, and will end by 9.30pm. Tickets are available in advance via Try Booking, or on the door (cash only).

<https://www.dominicdowns.co.uk/>

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/53326>

**Sunday 12th May**

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS TO PERFORM at the 22nd June Ukraine +: Benefit for the Musicians of Ukraine AND Young Musicians of Cumbria**

**Sunday 12th May, 5.00pm, St John's Church, Silverdale, Carnforth**

**Silverdale Renaissance:** Ensemble Pro Victoria – The English Chapel Royal to Venice. Tickets £5-£20 from <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DEUH> or from Silverdale Pharmacy. For more information contact [rogeraitken@myphone.coop](mailto:rogeraitken@myphone.coop)

**Wednesday 15th May, 6.30-9.45pm, Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal**

**Cumbria Festival Chorus** – Rehearsal for July's performances of Rachmaninov's Vespers. <http://cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com/july-rachmaninov-vespers.html>

**Friday 17th May, 12.30-1.15pm, Kendal Parish Church**

**Friday Lunchtime Organ Concerts:** Julian Hellaby, concert pianist. Admission free, with retiring collection. Proceeds to the Organ Restoration Fund.

<https://kendalparishchurch.co.uk/whats-on/>

**Friday 17th May, 6.00pm, boarding at Glenridding**

**'Sing around the Lake'.** Join **Cumbria Singers** and musical guests on a ride around Ullswater. <https://cumbriasingers.org.uk/>

**Saturday 18th May, 10.30am, Lancaster Priory**

**Saturday Coffee Concerts** – Admission free with a retiring collection. Fairtrade drinks available 30 minutes before the concert from the Priory Café.

<https://lancasterpriory.org/concerts/saturday-coffee-concerts-january-april-2024/>

**Saturday 18th May, 6.45pm, Arnside Methodist Church LA5 0AQ**

**Unity Brass** – a concert by Unity Brass, a Salvation Army band based in the Cheshire/Manchester region but including some of the top players from around the North West. They are not just playing traditional Salvation Army music!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/219152198116575/>

**Saturday 18th May, 7.30pm, STRICKLANDGATE METHODIST CHURCH, Kendal**

**Kendal South Choir: Rejoice!** – a concert of European sacred music through the ages, conducted by Geoffrey Field. Soloist Emily Robinson (soprano), with Andy Plowman (organ). [kendalsouthchoir.weebly.com](http://kendalsouthchoir.weebly.com)

**Saturday 18th May, 7.30pm, Heron Theatre, Beetham**

**Kit Holmes.** Kit's trademark sultry vocals and virtuoso guitar playing have wowed audiences across the UK through extensive touring with the guitar hero, John Etheridge. Kit's third album, *Driving into the Blue*, which features the legendary double bass player Danny Thompson, was met with high critical acclaim. Expect an enthralling and energetic live performance of "blues driven roots with a soul sensibility". Tickets £15 (members £12) at [www.theherontheatre.com](http://www.theherontheatre.com) or pay at the door.

**Saturday 18th May, 7.30pm, St Mary's Church, Ulverston**

**Ulverston Choral Society: Then and Now** – A concert to celebrate the society's 180th anniversary. <https://www.facebook.com/ulverstonchoral>

**Sunday 19th May, 10.30am, Crook**

**Burnside Brass's Training Band** play for a lambing service. <https://www.burnsidebrass.co.uk>

**Sunday 19th May, 2.30pm, St John's Church, Silverdale**

**Eversley Choir** – A springtime concert, to include Fauré's *Requiem* and *Cantique de Jean Racine* and Five Spirituals from *A Child of our Time* by Michael Tippett. [eversleychoir.org](http://eversleychoir.org)

**Sunday 19th May, 4.00pm, Kendal Parish Church**

**Keswick Choral Society** sings Evensong. Repertoire details available on application to [info@keswickchoralsociety.org.uk](mailto:info@keswickchoralsociety.org.uk)

**Wednesday 22nd May, 7.30pm, St Mary's Church, Kirkby Lonsdale**

**Kirkby Lonsdale Singers and Sing Joyfully!** Earth, Sea, Sky: classic choral gems, popular favourites and jazz standards. Contact Anastasia Micklethwaite <https://www.anastasiamicklethwaite.com> 07952 601568 <https://www.kirkbylonsdalesingers.co.uk>

**Thursday 23rd May, 1.00pm, Ambleside Parish Church**

**Lake District Summer Music and LDSM Patrons Spring Concert Series: London Central Brass Quintet**, who are quickly establishing themselves as a young and exciting voice in the world of chamber music. Winners of the Philip Jones International Brass Ensemble Competition and Musicians Company Brass Ensemble Prize, the quintet bring a fresh approach to their performances, commissioning and reimagining iconic music for the modern audience. [www.ldsm.org.uk](http://www.ldsm.org.uk)

**Thursday 23rd May, 6.30-9.45pm, Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal**

**Cumbria Festival Chorus** – Rehearsal for July's performances of Rachmaninov's *Vespers*. <http://cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com/july-rachmaninov-vespers.html>

**Friday 24th May, 7.30pm, Sedbergh Parish Church**

**K Shoes Male Voice Choir:** Summer Concert of Male Voice Music. Further details to follow. [www.kshoesmvc.org](http://www.kshoesmvc.org)

**Saturday 25th May, 10.30am, Lancaster Priory**

**Saturday Coffee Concerts** – Admission free with a retiring collection. Fairtrade drinks available 30 minutes before the concert from the Priory Café.

<https://lancasterpriory.org/concerts/saturday-coffee-concerts-january-april-2024/>

**Saturday 25th May, 7.30pm, St Oswald's Church, Church Stile, Grasmere**

**Music at Grasmere** – Organ Duets with Roy Goodman and Ian Hare. For more information contact Ian Hare at [ian.c.hare@outlook.com](mailto:ian.c.hare@outlook.com)

**Saturday 25th May, 7.30pm, Pendleton Village Hall, Pendleton, near Clitheroe**

**Kendal Choral Society** summer concert. A varied programme of lighter music for a summer evening, covering a wide range of genres, sacred and secular, old and new.

[www.kendalchoral.org.uk](http://www.kendalchoral.org.uk)

**Saturday 25th May, 10.00am, Furness Academy, Park Drive, Barrow-in-Furness**

**Lake District Summer Music Day of Brass.** Lake District Music's annual day of community music-making is back, focusing this season on the incredible traditions and music written for brass ensembles. Our very own Artistic Director Stephen Threlfall conducts the day's activities. [www.ldsm.org.uk](http://www.ldsm.org.uk)

**Saturday 25th to Monday 27th May, Kendal**

**Kendal Walking Festival.** This may have an impact on parking in Kendal town centre (ironically). <https://www.kendalwalkingfestival.co.uk/>

**Sunday 26th May, 2.30-3.30pm (no interval), St Anne's Church, Ings, Staveley**

**Barrow Male Voice Choir,** musical director: Deborah Milledge. Traditional, classical and modern songs in four parts. Admission £10 at the door, including tea & buns after the concert. [www.ingsvillage.org.uk](http://www.ingsvillage.org.uk)

**Sunday 26th May – times and venue tbc**

**Ulverston International Music Festival** – rehearsal for the Festival's choral concert. Conductor John Gibbons and the repertoire is to include Vaughan Williams: The Garden of Proserpine and Faure: Requiem. More information from Rowena Gibbons at [ulverstonmusicfestival@gmail.com](mailto:ulverstonmusicfestival@gmail.com). [www.ulverstonmusicfestival.co.uk](http://www.ulverstonmusicfestival.co.uk)

**Friday 31st May, 12.30-1.15pm, Kendal Parish Church**

**Friday Lunchtime Organ Concerts:** Jonathan Bielby, ex Wakefield Cathedral. Admission free, with retiring collection. Proceeds to the Organ Restoration Fund.

<https://kendalparishchurch.co.uk/whats-on/>

**Friday 31st May, 7.30pm, Sandylands Methodist Church, Kendal**

**Hutton Harmonies ladies' choir and FELLas men's singing group,** both conducted by Emily Robinson, present a light-hearted concert with proceeds for Christian Aid.

**Friday 31st May to Sunday 9th June, various venues and times**

**Ulverston International Music Festival.** [www.ulverstonmusicfestival.co.uk](http://www.ulverstonmusicfestival.co.uk)

## JUNE 2024

### **Friday 31st May to Sunday 9th June, various venues and times**

Ulverston International Music Festival. [www.ulverstonmusicfestival.co.uk](http://www.ulverstonmusicfestival.co.uk)

### **Saturday 1st June, 5.00-6.00pm, St Oswald's Church, Ravenstonedale**

**Organ Recital by Charles Edmondson.** Donations towards the upkeep of the organ. For more information contact [iantorkington@gmail.com](mailto:iantorkington@gmail.com)

### **Saturday 1st June, 9.30am-1.15pm, Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal**

**Cumbria Festival Chorus** – Rehearsal for July's performances of Rachmaninov's Vespers. <http://cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com/july-rachmaninov-vespers.html>

### **Saturday 1st June, 10.30am, Lancaster Priory**

**Saturday Coffee Concerts** – Admission free with a retiring collection. Fairtrade drinks available 30 minutes before the concert from the Priory Café.

<https://lancasterpriory.org/concerts/saturday-coffee-concerts-january-april-2024/>

### **Saturday 1st June, 7.30pm, venue tbc**

**Ulverston International Music Festival** choral concert, conducted by John Gibbons – to include Vaughan Williams The Garden of Proserpine and Fauré Requiem. Rehearsals on 7th April, 5th May and 26th May. <https://ulverstonmusicfestival.co.uk/>

### **Thursday 6th June, 6.30pm, Kendal Rugby Club**

**Burneside Brass.** [www.burnesidebrass.co.uk](http://www.burnesidebrass.co.uk)

### **Friday 7th June, 7.00pm, Piel View House, Barrow Park, Barrow-in-Furness**

**Full of Noises** hosts the Arethusa Quartet as part of Ulverston International Music Festival. The new Arethusa Quartet was founded in 2023 and unifies four exciting, internationally renowned musicians with backgrounds both as soloists and in world famous chamber groups. Having shared the stage in numerous festivals, Daniel Rowland, Floor Le Coultre, Dana Zemtsov and Maja Bogdanovic developed a deep friendship, bonded over their complementary passions and ideals, and decided to create this dynamic and unique group. Special guest Tim Brackman will join the quartet in what is sure to be a special evening at Piel View House Barrow Park.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/concert-arethusa-quartet-with-tim-brackman-live-at-full-of-noises-tickets-890929703727?aff=oddtcreator>

### **Friday 7th June, 7.30pm, Victoria Hall, Main Street, Grange Over Sands**

**Grange Over Sands & District Concert Club:** Iyad Sughayer – Piano Recital.

[www.grangeoversandsconcertclub.org.uk](http://www.grangeoversandsconcertclub.org.uk)

### **Saturday 8th June, 10.00am-4.00pm, Ullswater College, Penrith**

**Cumbria Singers** – Come & Sing with Matthew Owens. <https://cumbriasingers.org.uk/>

### **Saturday 8th June, 10.30am, Lancaster Priory**

**Saturday Coffee Concerts** – Admission free with a retiring collection. Fairtrade drinks available 30 minutes before the concert from the Priory Café.

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**Saturday 8th June, 7.30pm, St James Church, Clapham LA2 8DU**

Lancaster Singers. Summer concert. [www.lancastersingers.org](http://www.lancastersingers.org)

**Saturday 8th June, 7.30pm, Coronation Hall, Ulverston**

Ulverston International Music Festival: Royal Northern Sinfonia will close the festival (programme tbc). [www.ulverstonmusicfestival.co.uk](http://www.ulverstonmusicfestival.co.uk)

**Sunday 9th June, 11.30am-3.00pm (weather permitting!), Levens Hall Gardens**

Kendal Concert Band. [www.kendalconcertband.org](http://www.kendalconcertband.org)

**Sunday 9th June, 6.30-9.45pm, Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal**

Cumbria Festival Chorus – Rehearsal for July's performances of Rachmaninov's Vespers. <http://cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com/july-rachmaninov-vespers.html>

**Wednesday 12th June, 7.30pm, The Coro, Ulverston**

**The Telling: I, Spie.** Centred around an extraordinary letter written by composer/lutenist John Dowland to Spymaster Robert Cecil in 1595, in which he foils an Italian plot on the life of Queen Elizabeth I, this spell-binding concertplay (where music and theatre collide) fills in the mysterious gaps and imagines what would have happened next. Think Spooks, 16th Century-style! The drama is soundtracked live by music by Dowland and his contemporaries, alongside lively Elizabethan tavern, street and courtly masque music. <https://www.thecoro.co.uk/event/i-spie/>

**Friday 14th June, 12.30-1.15pm, Kendal Parish Church**

**Friday Lunchtime Organ Concerts:** Andy Plowman with Geoffrey Field and Emily Robinson (soprano). Admission free, with retiring collection. Proceeds to the Organ Restoration Fund. <https://kendalparishchurch.co.uk/whats-on/>

**Friday 14th to Sunday 16th June, Newby End Farm, Newby, Penrith**

Choral Weekend led by Don Gillthorpe.

**Friday 14th to Sunday 16th June, Kendal**

**Kendal Pride.** This may have an impact on parking in Kendal town centre. <https://kendalpride.co.uk/>

**Saturday 15th June, 10.30am, Lancaster Priory**

**Saturday Coffee Concerts** – Admission free with a retiring collection. Fairtrade drinks available 30 minutes before the concert from the Priory Café. <https://lancasterpriory.org/concerts/saturday-coffee-concerts-january-april-2024/>

**Saturday 15th June, 7.30 pm, Kendal Parish Church**

**Westmorland Orchestra.** Wagner *Tristan und Isolde* 'Prelude and Liebestod'; Grieg *Norwegian Dances*; Saint-Saëns *Symphony No 3* (The Organ); Widor *Organ Symphony No 5* (1st movement). [www.WestmorlandOrchestra.org.uk](http://www.WestmorlandOrchestra.org.uk)

**Saturday 15th June, 7.30pm, Lancaster Priory**

Lancaster Singers. Summer concert. [www.lancastersingers.org](http://www.lancastersingers.org)



**Sunday 16th June, 2.30, St Anne's Church, Ings, Staveley**

**Keldwyth Cumbrian Young Musicians Award Showcase Concert.** Three 20-minute recitals from local youngsters: (from Amabile) Anna Bray (voice) and (from Westmorland Youth Orchestra), Luca Baines (clarinet ) and Daisy Tomlinson (saxophone). Accompanist David Battersby. Award subscribers complimentary entry. [www.keldwyth.org.uk](http://www.keldwyth.org.uk)

**Sunday 16th June, all day, Kirkby Lonsdale**

Burneside Brass take part in Kirkby Lonsdale Brass Band contest.

**Sunday 16th-Thursday 27th June, Sedbergh**

**Sedbergh Music Festival:** BBC Singers, Jess Gillam & Royal Northern Sinfonia, Sedbergh Orchestra, Sedbergh Town Band, Claire Cope Quintet, Julian Cann Quartet, Sedbergh School Musicians, and much more. See details below. Tickets now available. Includes free Come & Sing, Karl Jenkins *The Armed Man* on Sunday 16th June. <https://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com/indexfs.html#alldetail>

**Sunday 16th June, 2.00pm, St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**

**Come & Sing** The Armed Man by Karl Jenkins. Part of Sedbergh Music Festival. FREE. [www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Monday 17th June, 1.00pm, St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** The Sedbergh Songsters. FREE. [www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Monday 17th June, 6.30-9.45pm, Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal**

**Cumbria Festival Chorus** – Rehearsal for July's performances of Rachmaninov's Vespers. <http://cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com/july-rachmaninov-vespers.html>

**Tuesday 18th June, 1.00pm, St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** Musicians from Sedbergh School. FREE. [www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Tuesday 18th June, 7.30pm, Hawkshead Parish Church**

Burneside Brass. <https://www.burnesidebrass.co.uk/>

**Tuesday 18th June, 7.30pm, St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** The Julian Cann Quartet. £10. [www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Wednesday 19th June, 1.00pm, St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** Nicholas Hurndall Smith (tenor) accompanied by Jen Hartley (piano). £10. [www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Thursday 20th June, 1.00pm, St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** Four Hands, One Piano. Jen Hartley and Peter Noke. £10. [www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)



**Thursday 20th June, 7.30pm, St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** Sedbergh Orchestra, conducted by Roland Fudge. £10.  
[www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Friday 21st June, 1.00pm, St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** John Robinson (Blackburn Cathedral – organ). £10.  
[www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Friday 21st June, 7.30pm, St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** Sedbergh Town Band. £10. [www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Friday 21st June, 7.30 p.m. Lazonby Village Hall CA10 1AQ**

**K Shoes Male Voice Choir.** Mid Summer Concert. Tickets £12 (to include light refreshments) from the choir's website, from choir members or on the door.  
[www.kshoesmvc.org](http://www.kshoesmvc.org)

**Friday 21st and Saturday 22nd June, various times and venues**

**Light the Lakes Massed Band Event.** Fundraising event by Brass Bands England for Care of Police Survivors. Sign up at <https://www.bbe.org.uk/band/city-birmingham-brass-band/event/cbbb-light-the-lakes-massed-band-event>

**Saturday 22nd June, 9.30am-1.15pm, Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal**

**Cumbria Festival Chorus** – Rehearsal for July's performances of Rachmaninov's Vespers.  
<http://cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com/july-rachmaninov-vespers.html>

**Saturday 22nd June, 12.30pm, St Oswald's Church, Church Stile, Grasmere**

**Music at Grasmere** – Deborah Thorne (cello) and Alison Gill (piano). For more information contact Ian Hare at [ian.c.hare@outlook.com](mailto:ian.c.hare@outlook.com)

**Saturday 22nd June, 1.30pm onwards (refreshments from 1pm), St Anne's Church, Ings**

**For Ukraine +: Benefit for the Musicians of Ukraine AND Young Musicians of Cumbria;** totally free event, drop in and drop out. Local musicians – including you?! - volunteer their best piece(s). Groups up to 10. Piano and wonderful accompanist available. DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS TO PLAY 12 MAY 2024.

This will be the seventh event in a series which began after the start of the War in Ukraine. The "concerts" are great fun and the total raised so far is over £13,000. Every penny goes to our causes as the event runs on donated time, shared music and cakes. For more information or to sign up email [UKRBenLA9@gmail.com](mailto:UKRBenLA9@gmail.com) – will you join this time? You won't regret it! Or help with refreshments, baking or serving: the Parish Hall is a good place to be too. The eighth event will be on Saturday 12th October.

**Saturday 22nd June, 7.30pm, St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** The Cottontown Chorus from Bolton. £15.  
[www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Saturday 22nd June, 7.30pm, St James's Church, Arnside**

**Arnside Choral Society.** Philip Stopford's *Missa Deus Nobiscum* and *Captain Noah & his Floating Zoo*. Conductor: Ian Allan. Soprano Soloist: Tracie Penwarden. With the Milli Youth Choir. [www.arnsidechoralsociety.co.uk](http://www.arnsidechoralsociety.co.uk)

**Saturday 22nd June, 7.30pm, Community Centre, Bolton-le-Sands.**

**Lancaster & District Choral Society:** Summer concert. Carousel; Fiddler on the Roof; Oliver; Beatles; My Fair Lady; Miss Saigon; West Side Story; Mary Poppins.  
<https://www.ldcs-choral.org.uk/future-concerts.html>

**Saturday 22nd June, 7.30pm, Ashton Hall, Lancaster**

**Haffner Orchestra.** Prokofiev, Peter and the Wolf; Tchaikovsky, Symphony no. 5.  
Conductor Alex Robinson. [www.haffnerorchestra.org](http://www.haffnerorchestra.org)

**Saturday 22nd June, Kendal**

**Kendal Folk & Blues** from Kendal BID. This event may have an impact on parking in Kendal town centre.

**Sunday 23rd June, 7.30pm, The Thornely Studio, Sedbergh School**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** The Claire Cope Quintet. £15.  
[www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Monday 24th June, 1.00pm, St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** Kenneth Wilson – Highway Cello. £10.  
[www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Monday 24th June, 7.30pm, St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** The Chequered Acafellas (formerly Grievous Bodily Harmony).  
£10. [www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Tuesday 25th June, 1.00pm, St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** Musicians from Chetham's School of Music. £10.  
[www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Tuesday 25th June, 7.30pm, Powell Hall, Sedbergh School**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** Jess Gillam and the Royal Northern Sinfonia. £20.  
[www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Wednesday 26th June, 1.00pm, St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** Style 85 harp duo AnnaKate Atkinson and Gwen Màiri. £10.  
[www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Wednesday 26th June, 6.30-9.45pm, Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal**

**Cumbria Festival Chorus** – Rehearsal for July's performances of Rachmaninov's Vespers.  
<http://cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com/july-rachmaninov-vespers.html>

**Wednesday 26th June, 7.30pm, The Thornely Studio, Sedbergh School**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** The Fakir Trio. £15. [www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Thursday 27th June, 7.30pm, The Chapel, Sedbergh School**

**Sedbergh Music Festival.** The BBC Singers. £20. [www.sedberghmusicfestival.com](http://www.sedberghmusicfestival.com)

**Friday 28th June, 12.30-1.15pm, Kendal Parish Church**

**Friday Lunchtime Organ Concerts:** David Price (Thailand). Admission free, with retiring collection. Proceeds to the Organ Restoration Fund.

<https://kendalparishchurch.co.uk/whats-on/>

**Saturday 29th June, 7.30pm, Kendal Parish Church**

Westmorland Youth Orchestra. [www.wyo.org.uk](http://www.wyo.org.uk)

**Saturday 29th June, 7.30pm – venue tbc**

Wordsworth Singers. <https://www.wordsworthsingers.org.uk>

**Saturday 29th June, 7.30pm, Bolton-le-Sands Community Centre**

Carnforth & District Choral Society Summer concert.

<https://www.carnforthchoral.co.uk/>

**Saturday 29th June, 7.30pm, Crosthwaite Village Hall**

Furness Bach Choir, conducted by Alex Robinson – Love, requited, unrequited, etc. as depicted in the secular music of the 17th Century.

<https://furnessbachchoir.co.uk/home>

**Sunday 30th June, 7.30pm, Victory Hall, Broughton**

Furness Bach Choir, conducted by Alex Robinson – Love, requited, unrequited, etc. as depicted in the secular music of the 17th Century.

<https://furnessbachchoir.co.uk/home>

**Sunday 30th June, 6.30-9.45pm, Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal**

Cumbria Festival Chorus – Rehearsal for July's performances of Rachmaninov's Vespers.

<http://cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com/july-rachmaninov-vespers.html>

**Sunday 30th June, 7.30pm, St John's Church, Silverdale, Carnforth**

Silverdale Renaissance: In Echo – In Summer Time. For more information contact [rogeraitken@myphone.coop](mailto:rogeraitken@myphone.coop)

**JULY 2024**

**Wednesday 3rd July, 6.30-9.45pm, Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal**

Cumbria Festival Chorus – Rehearsal for July's performances of Rachmaninov's Vespers.

<http://cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com/july-rachmaninov-vespers.html>

**Friday 5th July, 7.30pm, Victoria Hall, Main Street, Grange Over Sands**

Grange Over Sands & District Concert Club: Emma Abbate Piano Trio (with Evva Mizerska (cello) and Peter Cigleris (clarinet)). [www.grangeoversandsconcertclub.org.uk](http://www.grangeoversandsconcertclub.org.uk)

**Saturday 6th July, 2.30pm, Ambleside**

Burneside Brass. Ambleside Rushbearing. [www.burnesidebrass.co.uk](http://www.burnesidebrass.co.uk)

**Saturday 6th July, 7.30pm, Kendal Parish Church**

Pro Nobis Singers – Zelenka, *Magnificat*; Vivaldi, *Gloria*; Bach *Magnificat*. Tickets £15.

[www.pronobis-singers.com](http://www.pronobis-singers.com)

**Sunday 7th July, 2.00pm, Grange-over-Sands bandstand**

Burneside Brass. [www.burnesidebrass.co.uk](http://www.burnesidebrass.co.uk)

**Sunday 7th July, 3.00pm, St Oswald's Church, Warton**

**Levens Choir** – A programme of music by Anton Bruckner in celebration of the 200th anniversary of his birth, plus Brahms. Conducted by Gawain Glenton.

[www.levenschoir.net](http://www.levenschoir.net).

**Monday 8th July, 10.00am, St Anne's Church, Ings, Staveley**

**Keldwyth Cumbrian Young Musicians Award** – Preliminary round. Tickets at the door £7.50. [www.keldwythaward.org.uk](http://www.keldwythaward.org.uk)

**Tuesday 9th July, 7.00pm, Piel View House, Barrow Park, Barrow-in-Furness**

**Full of Noises** presents Alison Cotton. Since her first solo work manifested in 2018, Alison Cotton has quietly become one of the UK's most extraordinarily evocative aural explorers, building eerily arcane tapestries of supernatural beauty from her multi-layered viola, incantatory vocals and harmonium. She has a concept album out on Rocket Recordings named 'Engelchen'. A soundscape about two Sunderland sisters who helped many Jewish families escape Nazi persecution.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/890178577087?aff=oddtcreator>

**Wednesday 10th to Saturday 13th July, The Croston Theatre, Westholme School, Blackburn**

**Ribble Valley International Piano Week**, with performances by Chair Martin Roscoe, President Peter Donohoe, and Rose McLachlan, Lauren Zhang, Winnie Su, Victor Lim. See [www.rvipw.org.uk](http://www.rvipw.org.uk)

**Thursday 11th July, 6.30-9.45pm, Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal**

**Cumbria Festival Chorus** – Rehearsal for July's performances of Rachmaninov's Vespers. <http://cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com/july-rachmaninov-vespers.html>

**Friday 12th July, 12.30-1.15pm, Kendal Parish Church**

**Friday Lunchtime Organ Concerts:** Ian Pattinson (Lancaster Priory). Admission free, with retiring collection. Proceeds to the Organ Restoration Fund.

<https://kendalparishchurch.co.uk/whats-on/>

**Saturday 13th July, 2.00-5.00pm, Kendal Parish Church**

**Cumbria Festival Chorus** – Rehearsal for:

**Saturday 13th July, 7.30pm, Kendal Parish Church**

**Cumbria Festival Chorus** – Rachmaninov *Vespers*. Conducted by Ian Jones. With Lynne Williams (saxophone). Ticket price £18. [www.cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com](http://www.cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com)

**Saturday 13th July, St Lawrence's Church, Appleby**

Come & Sing day with Tim Knight. [applebyorganist16@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:applebyorganist16@hotmail.co.uk)

**Saturday 13th July, 7.00pm, St George's Church, Castle Street, Kendal**

**Amabile Choir:** Summer Concert. [www.amabile.co.uk](http://www.amabile.co.uk)

**Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th July, Lowther Castle and Gardens**

**Cumbria Brass at the Castle.** Burneside Brass will be taking part in this day of music, community and shared heritage in glorious surroundings. By kind permission of Lowther Castle. [brassatthecastle.com](http://brassatthecastle.com)

**Sunday 14th July, 2.00pm, The Glebe Bandstand, Bowness-on-Windermere**

**Kendal Concert Band** – Free concert. In St Martin’s Church if wet.

[www.kendalconcertband.org](http://www.kendalconcertband.org)

**Saturday 14th July, 4.00-5.30pm, Kirkby Stephen Parish Church**

**Cumbria Festival Chorus** – Rehearsal for:

**Sunday 14th July, 7.00pm, Kirkby Stephen Parish Church**

**Cumbria Festival Chorus** – Rachmaninov *Vespers*. Conducted by Ian Jones. With Lynne Williams (saxophone). Ticket price £15. [www.cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com](http://www.cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com)

**Saturday 20th July, Kendal**

**Kendal Unity Festival.** This event may have an impact on parking in Kendal town centre.

**Friday 26th July to Sunday 4th August – various times and venues**

**Lake District Summer Music Festival 2024**

**Saturday 27th July, Kendal**

**Kendal Family Festival** from Kendal BID. This event may have an impact on parking in Kendal town centre.

**Monday 29th July, 11.00am, St Oswald’s Church, Grasmere**

**Music at Grasmere:** Lake District Summer Music Brass Quintet. For more information contact Ian Hare at [ian.c.hare@outlook.com](mailto:ian.c.hare@outlook.com)

**AUGUST 2024**

**26th July to 4th August – various times and venues**

**Lake District Summer Music Festival 2024.**

**Sunday 4th August, 5.00pm, Kendal Leisure Centre**

**Final Concert of Lake District Summer Music 2024:** Holst *Planets Suite* and Brahms *Alto Rhapsody* with contralto soloist Jess Dandy. With the Northern Chamber Orchestra and LDM Festival Chorus conducted by Stephen Threlfall, Artistic Director of LDM.

**Monday 10th August, 7.30pm, St Oswald’s Church, Grasmere**

**Music at Grasmere:** Organ Recital by Jonathan Bielby (Kendal Parish Church). For more information contact Ian Hare at [ian.c.hare@outlook.com](mailto:ian.c.hare@outlook.com)

**Saturday 17th August, 7.30pm, St Anne’s Church, Ings, Staveley**

**Keldwyth Cumbrian Young Musicians Award** – Finals. Tickets at the door £10.  
[www.keldwythaward.org.uk](http://www.keldwythaward.org.uk)

**Friday 30th and Saturday 31st August, 7.30pm, Penrith Playhouse**

**Cumbria Opera Group: Kings, Witches, Lovers and Souls – A Compass of Cumbrian Legends.** This new opera from Jen Hartley takes audiences anticlockwise around old Cumbria from west to north, pausing to uncover old tales of battles, spirits, loyalty, love, betrayal, and superstition. From ruined abbeys to enchanted stone circles, watery secrets to ghostly cairns, this is a folkloric tour of the magic of Eden, the Lakes, and the Dales. Featuring the Cumbrian-born trio of Kirsty McLean, Anna Cooper, and Jonathan Hill (Glyndebourne, Garsington, Royal Opera House). [www.cumbriaoperagroup.com](http://www.cumbriaoperagroup.com)

**Thursday 1st to Sunday 4th August, Lowther Deer Park, near Penrith**

**Kendal Calling Festival.** <https://www.kendalcalling.co.uk/> and <https://music-links.org.uk/>

**SEPTEMBER 2024**

**Friday 6th September, 7.30pm, Victoria Hall, Main Street, Grange Over Sands, LA11 6DP**

**Grange Over Sands & District Concert Club:** Deschanel Gordon Jazz Trio (piano, bass, drums). Deschanel won the 2018 BBC Young Jazz Musician competition. [www.grangeoversandsconcertclub.org.uk](http://www.grangeoversandsconcertclub.org.uk)

**Saturday 14th Sept, Ullswater College, Penrith**

**Cumbria Singers** – First rehearsal of the new season with Matthew Owens. Mainly Anniversaries: Rutter (80) *Gloria*; Chilcott (70) *Requiem*; Wilberg (70) *The Call*; Vaughan Williams' *Antiphon*. Further rehearsals on 16th November, 8th February, 29th March, 25th April, for concert in Carlisle Cathedral, Saturday 26th April at 7.30pm. <https://cumbriasingers.org.uk/>

**Saturday 14th September, 7.30pm, St Oswald's Church, Grasmere**

**Music at Grasmere:** The Time Traveller's Pilgrimage. Deborah Catterall (mezzo soprano), Gareth Glyn Roberts (tenor), Hugh Cherry (lute). For more information contact Ian Hare at [ian.c.hare@outlook.com](mailto:ian.c.hare@outlook.com)

**Saturday 21st September, Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal**

**Kendal South Choir**

**10.00am-1.00pm: Workshop morning with soprano Jane Irwin. Learn how to make the best of your voice!**

**2.00pm-5.00pm: Come & Sing afternoon.** More details later.

Cost £20 for morning, £15 for afternoon, £30 for both.

[www.kendalsouthchoir.weebly.com](http://www.kendalsouthchoir.weebly.com)

**Thursday 26th September, 7.30pm, The Fraternity, Carlisle Cathedral**

**Carlisle Music Society** – Dominic Degavino (piano).

<https://carlislemusicsociety.weebly.com/202425-season.html>

**Saturday 27th September, 7.30pm, Kendal Leisure Centre**

**Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society.** [www.lakelandsinfonia.org](http://www.lakelandsinfonia.org)

**Saturday 28th September, 7.30pm, venue tbc**

**Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society.** [www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk](http://www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk)

**Saturday 28th September, Kendal**

**Kendal Torchlight.** This event may have an impact on parking in Kendal town centre.

**OCTOBER 2024**

**Friday 4th October, 7.30pm, Victoria Hall, Main Street, Grange Over Sands**

**Grange Over Sands & District Concert Club:** Meliora Collective Chamber Orchestra (5 strings & 5 wind). [www.grangeoversandsconcertclub.org.uk](http://www.grangeoversandsconcertclub.org.uk)

**Friday 4th to Saturday 5th October – various venues in Kendal town centre**

**Kendal Live Music Festival by Kendal BID.** It is advisable to avoid booking Kendal events during this period because of the anticipated lack of parking near any Kendal venue.

**Friday 4th October, 7.30pm, St John's Church, Silverdale, Carnforth**

**Silverdale Renaissance:** The Gesualdo Six. For more information contact [rogeraitken@myphone.coop](mailto:rogeraitken@myphone.coop)

**Saturday 5th October (morning), Arnside Educational Institute, Church Hill, Arnside**

**Silverdale Renaissance and Levens Choir:** Singers' workshop with the Gesualdo Six. For more information contact [rogeraitken@myphone.coop](mailto:rogeraitken@myphone.coop)

**Saturday 5th October, 10.00am-5.00pm, Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal**

**Cumbria Festival Chorus: Come & Sing Day – Bach: B Minor Mass.** Come and work on selected choruses from this great work with Ian Jones and the Cumbria Festival Chorus. Cumbria Festival Chorus will be performing the B Minor Mass on Saturday 12th July next year, so this is your chance to get ahead with learning the piece! More information shortly. [www.cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com](http://www.cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com)

**Saturday 12th October, 1.30pm-5.00pm, St Anne's Church, Ings**

**For Ukraine + for Music & Cancer:** Mark your diary for the next opportunity to share and contribute to a wonderful afternoon. The Symphony Orchestra of the Lviv Philharmonic will be touring in England in the week before this event. For more information or to sign up email [UKRBenLA9@gmail.com](mailto:UKRBenLA9@gmail.com)

**Saturday 12th October, 7.30pm, Penrith Methodist Church, Penrith**

**Kendal Concert Band's Autumn Concert.** £10 entry. [www.kendalconcertband.org](http://www.kendalconcertband.org)

**Thursday 24th October, 7.30pm, The Fraternity, Carlisle Cathedral**

**Carlisle Music Society – CarmenCo** – Emily Andrews (flute and mezzo) and guitarists David Massey and Francisco Correa. <https://carlislemusicsociety.weebly.com/202425-season.html>

**Saturday 26th October, St George's Church, Castle Street, Kendal**

**Kendal Choral Society** – Come & Sing Day. More details later. <https://kendalchoral.org.uk/>



## NOVEMBER 2024

### **Saturday 2nd November, 2.00pm, Kendal Parish Church**

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society. [www.lakelandsinfonia.org](http://www.lakelandsinfonia.org)

### **Sunday 10th November, 2.30pm, Kendal Leisure Centre**

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Series: Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra. Programme tba. [www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk](http://www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk)

### **Thursday 14th November, 7.30pm, The Fratry, Carlisle Cathedral**

Carlisle Music Society – John Turner (recorders), Richard Simpson (oboe) and Janet Simpson (piano). <https://carlislemusicsociety.weebly.com/202425-season.html>

### **Saturday 16th November, 7.30pm, St George's Church, Castle Street, Kendal**

Kendal South Choir: Vivaldi *Gloria*, Rutter *Requiem* and Pergolesi *Stabat Mater*. Conducted by Geoffrey Field. With soloists Ellie Blewitt and Ellen Griffiths, and Andy Plowman (organ). <http://kendalsouthchoir.weebly.com>

### **Saturday 16th November, Ullswater College, Penrith**

Cumbria Singers – Rehearsal with Matthew Owens for concert in Carlisle Cathedral on Saturday 26th April at 7.30pm. Mainly Anniversaries: Rutter (80) *Gloria*; Chilcott (70) *Requiem*; Wilberg (70) *The Call*; Vaughan Williams' *Antiphon*. Further rehearsals on 8th February, 29th March, 25th April. <https://cumbriasingers.org.uk/>

### **Thursday 21st November to Sunday 24th November**

**KENDAL MOUNTAIN FESTIVAL. It is advisable to avoid booking Kendal events during this period because of the anticipated lack of parking near any Kendal venue.**

### **Saturday 23rd November, 7.30pm, The Great Hall, Lancaster University**

Lancaster & District Choral Society. More details in due course. <https://www.ldcs-choral.org.uk/>

### **Saturday 30th November – time and venue tbc**

Westmorland Youth Orchestra. More details later. [www.wyo.org.uk](http://www.wyo.org.uk)

### **Saturday November 30th, 7.30pm, Kendal Parish Church**

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Series: Royal Northern Sinfonia 'Christmas by Candlelight' concert. Orchestral works TBA. [lakelandsinfonia.org.uk](http://lakelandsinfonia.org.uk)

### **Saturday 30th November, 7.30pm, Great Hall, Lancaster University**

Haffner Orchestra. Programme tbc. [www.haffnerorchestra.org](http://www.haffnerorchestra.org)

## DECEMBER 2024

### **Sunday 1st December, Kendal**

**Kendal Christmas Celebration** from BID. This event may have an impact on parking in Kendal town centre.

**Friday 6th and Saturday 7th December, Kendal Town Hall**

**Kendal Whisky Festival.** This event may have an impact on parking in Kendal town centre. <https://kendalwhiskyfestival.co.uk/>

**Saturday 7th December, 7.30pm, Wordsworth St Methodist Church or St Andrew's Church, Penrith (tbc)**

Penrith Singers – Bach *Christmas Oratorio*. <https://www.penrithsingers.co.uk/>

**Sunday 8th December, 3.00pm, Kendal Leisure Centre**

**Westmorland Orchestra.** Farrington *Scary Fairy Saves Christmas*; Arnold *Tam O'Shanter Overture*; Ravel *Ma Mère l'Oye (Mother Goose)*; Anderson *Christmas Festival*.  
Conductor – Melvin Tay. [www.westmorlandorchestra.org.uk](http://www.westmorlandorchestra.org.uk)

**Monday 9th December, 7.30pm, Staveley Village Hall**

Staveley Choral Society Christmas concert. <https://staveleychoral.org.uk>

**Friday 13th December, 7.30pm, St Mary's Church, Ulverston**

Ulverston Choral Society – Messiah, Parts 1 and 2.  
<https://www.facebook.com/ulverstonchoral>

**Saturday 14th December, 9.30am, Kendal Town Hall**

Kendal Concert Band playing Christmas at the Mayor's Coffee Morning.  
[www.kendalconcertband.org](http://www.kendalconcertband.org)

**Saturday 14th December, 7.30pm, venue tbc**

Kendal Choral Society. <https://kendalchoral.org.uk/>

**Saturday 14th December, 7.00pm, Kendal Parish Church, Kirkland, Kendal**

Amabile Choir: Christmas Concert. [www.amabile.co.uk](http://www.amabile.co.uk)

**Saturday 14th December, 7.30pm, Lancaster area (tbc)**

Levens Choir – Programme tbc. [www.levenschoir.net](http://www.levenschoir.net)

**Sunday 15th December, 2.00-4.00pm, Kendal Town Hall**

Kendal Concert Band's Christmas Concert in support of MNDA.  
[www.kendalconcertband.org](http://www.kendalconcertband.org)

**Sunday 15th December, 3.00pm (tbc), Carver Church, Lake Road, Windermere**

Levens Choir – Programme tbc. [www.levenschoir.net](http://www.levenschoir.net)

**Sunday 15th December, 7.30pm, St Mark's Church, Natland**

Pro Nobis Singers – Christmas concert. More details later.

**Thursday 19th December, 7.00pm, St Thomas's Church, Milnthorpe**

Eversley Choir's traditional concert of Christmas music and readings will also include Haydn's *Little Organ Mass*. [Eversleychoir.org](http://Eversleychoir.org)

**Thursday 19th December, 7.30pm, St Paul's Church, Brookhouse, Lancaster**

The Rushley Singers' Christmas Concert "Where the stars dance". [rmlee60@gmail.com](mailto:rmlee60@gmail.com)

**Saturday 21st December, 7.30pm, St James's Church, Arnside**  
Arnside Choral Society. [www.arnsidechoralsociety.co.uk](http://www.arnsidechoralsociety.co.uk)

## JANUARY 2025

**Saturday 4th January, 2.30pm, Kendal Leisure Centre**

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Series: Royal Northern Sinfonia. Programme tba, but probably Viennese themed. [www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk](http://www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk)

**Wednesday 8th January**

Kendal Midday Concert Series recommences for the new year.  
[www.kendalmiddayconcertclub.org](http://www.kendalmiddayconcertclub.org)

**Sunday 19th January, 2.00pm, Kendal area (tbc)**

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society. [www.lakelandsinfonia.org](http://www.lakelandsinfonia.org)

**Wednesday 22nd January**

Kendal Midday Concert Series. [www.kendalmiddayconcertclub.org](http://www.kendalmiddayconcertclub.org)

**Thursday 23rd January, 7.30pm, The Fraternity, Carlisle Cathedral**

Carlisle Music Society – Charlotte Spruit (violin), with pianist (tba).  
<https://carlislemusicsociety.weebly.com/202425-season.html>

**Wednesday 29th January, 1.00pm, Kendal area (tbc)**

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society – 'Live & Local' lunchtime recital.  
[www.lakelandsinfonia.org](http://www.lakelandsinfonia.org)

## FEBRUARY 2025

**Wednesday 5th February**

Kendal Midday Concert Series. [www.kendalmiddayconcertclub.org](http://www.kendalmiddayconcertclub.org)

**Saturday 8th February, Ullswater College, Penrith**

Cumbria Singers – Rehearsal with Matthew Owens for concert in Carlisle Cathedral on Saturday 26th April at 7.30pm. Mainly Anniversaries: Rutter (80) *Gloria*; Chilcott (70) *Requiem*; Wilberg (70) *The Call*; Vaughan Williams' *Antiphon*. Further rehearsals on 29th March, 25th April. <https://cumbriasingers.org.uk/>

**Wednesday 19th February**

Kendal Midday Concert Series. [www.kendalmiddayconcertclub.org](http://www.kendalmiddayconcertclub.org)

**Thursday 20th February, 7.30pm, The Fraternity, Carlisle Cathedral**

Carlisle Music Society – The Paddington Trio.  
<https://carlislemusicsociety.weebly.com/202425-season.html>

**Wednesday 26th February, 1.00pm, Bowness-on-Windermere area (tbc)**

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society: Lakeland Sinfonia 'Live and Local' lunchtime duet recital. <https://lakelandsinfonia.org.uk/season-ahead/>

## MARCH 2025

### **Saturday 1st March, 2.30pm, Capernwray Hall, near Carnforth**

**Eversley Choir** return to Capernwray to perform Cherubini's dramatic *Requiem*, together with *Zadok the Priest* and other anthems by Handel for choir and orchestra. Local singers are invited to join Eversley as associate members for this exciting musical opportunity. [www.eversleychoir.org](http://www.eversleychoir.org)

### **Saturday 1st March, 7.30pm, Great Hall, Lancaster University**

**Haffner Orchestra**. Programme tbc. [www.haffnerorchestra.org](http://www.haffnerorchestra.org)

### **Wednesday 5th March**

**Kendal Midday Concert Series**. [www.kendalmiddayconcertclub.org](http://www.kendalmiddayconcertclub.org)

### **Saturday 8th March, 2.00pm, Kendal Leisure Centre**

**Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Series**. More details later.  
<https://lakelandsinfonia.org.uk/season-ahead/>

### **Monday 10th March to Friday 14th March, Kendal Town Hall**

**Mary Wakefield Festival**. Adjudicated classes all week, followed by a Festival Showcase Concert and the Finals of the Jim Noble Award. Prospectus available September 2025.  
[www.marywakefieldfestival.weebly.com](http://www.marywakefieldfestival.weebly.com)

### **Saturday 15th March – time and venue tbc**

**Westmorland Youth Orchestra**. More details later. [www.wyo.org.uk](http://www.wyo.org.uk)

### **Wednesday 19th March**

**Kendal Midday Concert Series**. [www.kendalmiddayconcertclub.org](http://www.kendalmiddayconcertclub.org)

### **Thursday 20th March, 7.30pm, The Fraternity, Carlisle Cathedral**

**Carlisle Music Society** – Sarah Gait (cello) and Simone Tavoni (piano).  
<https://carlislemusicsociety.weebly.com/202425-season.html>

### **Wednesday 26th March, 1.00pm, Bowness-on-Windermere area (tbc)**

**Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society** – 'Live & Local' lunchtime recital.  
[www.lakelandsinfonia.org](http://www.lakelandsinfonia.org)

### **Saturday 29th March, 7.30pm, Kendal Leisure Centre**

**Westmorland Orchestra**. Weber *Der Freischütz* Overture; Sibelius *Violin Concerto*; Tchaikovsky *Symphony No. 6 "Pathétique"*. Violin Soloist Leora Cohen; conductor Melvin Tay. [www.westmorlandorchestra.org.uk](http://www.westmorlandorchestra.org.uk)

### **Saturday 29th March, Ullswater College, Penrith**

**Cumbria Singers** – Rehearsal with Matthew Owens for concert in Carlisle Cathedral on Saturday 26th April at 7.30pm. Mainly Anniversaries: Rutter (80) *Gloria*; Chilcott (70) *Requiem*; Wilberg (70) *The Call*; Vaughan Williams' *Antiphon*. Further rehearsal on 25th April. <https://cumbriasingers.org.uk/>

**Saturday 29th March, 7.30pm, The Great Hall, Lancaster University**

**Lancaster & District Choral Society.** Spring Concert. More information soon.

<https://www.ldcs-choral.org.uk/>

**APRIL 2025**

**Friday 4th April, 7.30pm, St John's Church, Silverdale, Carnforth**

**Silverdale Renaissance: The Marian Consort** – Portuguese Polyphony. For more information contact [rogeraitken@myphone.coop](mailto:rogeraitken@myphone.coop)

**Saturday 12th April, 7.30pm, Kendal area (tbc)**

**Levens Choir** – Duruflé Requiem. [www.levenschoir.net](http://www.levenschoir.net)

**Sunday 13th April, 7.30pm, Lancaster area (tbc)**

**Levens Choir** – Duruflé Requiem. [www.levenschoir.net](http://www.levenschoir.net)

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**Cumbria Singers** – Mainly Anniversaries. Rutter (80) *Gloria*; Chilcott (70) *Requiem*; Wilberg (70) *The Call*; Vaughan Williams *Antiphon*. <https://cumbriasingers.org.uk/>

**MAY 2025**

**Saturday 10th May, Kendal Parish Church**

**Kendal South Choir, the Amabile Choirs and FELLas men's choir:** Carmina Burana by Carl Orff. Other singers are invited to join us – an invitation will be sent out in September. [www.kendalsouthchoir.weebly.com](http://www.kendalsouthchoir.weebly.com)

**Saturday 17th May, 7.30pm, St Mary's Church, Ulverston**

**Ulverston Choral Society:** The Armed Man, Dona Nobis Pacem.

<https://www.facebook.com/ulverstonchoral>

**JUNE 2025**

**Saturday 14th June, 7.30pm, Kendal Leisure Centre**

**Westmorland Orchestra.** Verdi *La Forza del Destino* Overture; Stravinsky *The Firebird Suite*; Shostakovich *Symphony No. 5*. Conductor Melvin

Tay. [www.westmorlandorchestra.org.uk](http://www.westmorlandorchestra.org.uk)

**Saturday 21st June, 7.30pm, Ashton Hall, Lancaster**

**Haffner Orchestra.** Programme tbc. [www.haffnerorchestra.org](http://www.haffnerorchestra.org)

**Saturday 28th June, 7.30pm, Bolton-le-Sands Community Centre**

**Lancaster & District Choral Society. Summer Concert. More information soon.**

<https://www.ldcs-choral.org.uk/>

**JULY 2025**

**Saturday 5th July, 7.30pm, venue tbc**

Levens Choir – Programme tbc. [www.levenschoir.net](http://www.levenschoir.net)

**Saturday 5th July – time and venue tbc**

Westmorland Youth Orchestra. More details later. [www.wyo.org.uk](http://www.wyo.org.uk)

**Sunday 6th July, 7.30pm, venue tbc**

Levens Choir – Programme tbc. [www.levenschoir.net](http://www.levenschoir.net)

**Saturday 12th July, 7.30pm, Kendal Parish Church**

Cumbria Festival Chorus and orchestra – Bach: *B minor Mass*.

[www.cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com](http://www.cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com)

**AUGUST 2025**

**Thursday 21st to Saturday 30th August**

Cumbria Opera Festival 2025. Venues throughout Cumbria. Please visit [www.cumbriaoperagroup.com](http://www.cumbriaoperagroup.com) to sign up to our mailing list for updates.

**SEPTEMBER 2025**

**Saturday 27th September, 7.30pm, venue tbc**

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society. [www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk](http://www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk)

**Saturday 27th or Sunday 28th September, St John's Church, Silverdale, Carnforth**

Silverdale Renaissance: Singers workshop with Robert Hollingworth of I Fagiolini. For more information contact [rogeraitken@myphone.coop](mailto:rogeraitken@myphone.coop)

**OCTOBER 2025**

**Saturday 4th October, time tbc, St John's Church, Silverdale, Carnforth**

Silverdale Renaissance: I Fagiolini (with earlier singers' workshop). For more information contact [rogeraitken@myphone.coop](mailto:rogeraitken@myphone.coop)

**DECEMBER 2025**

**Saturday 6th or Sunday 7th December**

Westmorland Orchestra. [www.westmorlandorchestra.org.uk](http://www.westmorlandorchestra.org.uk)

**Saturday 13th December, 7.30pm, St Thomas's Church, Kendal (tbc)**

Levens Choir – Programme tbc. [www.levenschoir.net](http://www.levenschoir.net)

**Saturday 20th December, 7.30pm, St George's Church, Castle Street, Kendal**

Kendal Choral Society Christmas concert. [www.kendalchoral.org.uk](http://www.kendalchoral.org.uk)

#### MARCH 2026

**Saturday 7th March, 7.30pm, venue tbc**

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society. [www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk](http://www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk)

#### SEPTEMBER 2026

**Saturday 26th September, 7.30pm, venue tbc**

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society. [www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk](http://www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk)

#### MARCH 2027

**Monday 1st to Friday 5th March, Kendal Town Hall**

Mary Wakefield Festival. [www.marywakefieldfestival.weebly.com](http://www.marywakefieldfestival.weebly.com)

**Saturday 6th March, 7.30pm, venue tbc**

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society. [www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk](http://www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk)

**Saturday 6th March, 7.30pm, Kendal area (tbc)**

**Sunday 7th March, 7.30pm, Lancaster area (tbc)**

Levens Choir: J S Bach *St Matthew Passion*. Two special concerts with professional soloists and orchestra, marking the 300th anniversary of the composition of this masterpiece. [www.levenschoir.net](http://www.levenschoir.net)

#### SEPTEMBER 2027

**Saturday 25th September, 7.30pm, venue tbc**

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society. [www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk](http://www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk)

#### MARCH 2028

**Saturday 4th March, 7.30pm, venue tbc**

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society. [www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk](http://www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk)

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## Weekly rehearsals

### Mondays 10am via Zoom

### Tuesdays 11am via Zoom

Judith Gardner Jones is running some warm-up classes for singers on Mondays at 10:00am and Tuesdays at 11:00am. It's a 20 minute class via zoom and each class will be a stretch, a warm up exercise and a thought to make your singing more effervescent! Particularly suitable for singers in choirs or theatre groups who don't really want to have one-to-one lessons, but would still like to improve. Email: [JGJvoice@gmail.com](mailto:JGJvoice@gmail.com) to reserve your place. Cost £5 for a 20-minute session. Block bookings available. <https://jgjvoice.mymusicstaff.com/singFizz>

### Mondays 10.30am-12noon, Kendal Town Hall

### Mondays 7.00pm-8.30pm

### Tuesdays 9.30am-11.00am

**Growing Singing:** We cannot recommend enough that, if you like singing and fancy doing a bit more, you try coming along to one of our relaxed drop in Chorus singing groups. You have three different weekly opportunities to choose from and we cover the same songs in these three sessions.

*Mid-Morning Chorus* - Monday—10.30am-12.00 noon \*NEW ADDITION from September 25th 2023 \*

*Twilight Chorus* - Monday 7.00pm -8.30pm

*Dawn Chorus* - Tuesday 9.30am-11.00am

We've been running drop in groups in Kendal since 2011 and we always welcome new voices. It costs £7 a time (or pay what you can). Contact us at [clare@growingsinging.co.uk](mailto:clare@growingsinging.co.uk) for dates and come along to a free taster session just to see if it's your kind of thing. Find out more at [www.growingsinging.co.uk](http://www.growingsinging.co.uk)

### Mondays, 2.30-4.00pm, New Hutton Institute

**Hutton Harmonies**, a choir for women in New and Old Hutton and beyond. Led by Emily Robinson. Contact [emilyrobinsonpritchard@gmail.com](mailto:emilyrobinsonpritchard@gmail.com) or [jeanrobinson1946@gmail.com](mailto:jeanrobinson1946@gmail.com) for more information.

### Mondays, 7.00-9.20pm, Borwick and Priest Hutton Memorial Hall, near Carnforth

**Eversley Choir** is always looking for new members and a warm welcome is guaranteed. For more information about the choir contact our Membership Secretary Wendy Williams on 01524 701148, email: [wendyj2897@gmail.com](mailto:wendyj2897@gmail.com). Alternatively, look at our website: [www.eversleychoir.org](http://www.eversleychoir.org)

### Mondays 7.00-9.00pm and Thursdays 1.30-3.30pm, Carver Church, Windermere

**South Lakes Acappella** welcomes new members. This newly formed totally *a cappella* choir sing a wide variety of contemporary, pop and jazz arrangements. All singers welcome. Contact Jeff Borradaile for more details. [jeffborradaile@me.com](mailto:jeffborradaile@me.com)

### Mondays, 7.00-8.45pm, Staveley Village Hall

**Staveley Choral Society** rehearsals from September to late May. [www.staveleychoral.org.uk](http://www.staveleychoral.org.uk)

**Mondays, 7.00-9.30pm, St Martin's Chapel, University of Cumbria, Lancaster**

**Lancaster & District Choral Society** warmly welcomes new singers. There's no audition and you don't need to be able to read music. For more information ring 01524 37058. [www.ldcs-choral.org.uk](http://www.ldcs-choral.org.uk)

**Tuesdays 7.00pm-9.00pm, Kendal Town Hall**

**The Growing Singers:** A friendly, mixed, fundraising choir, sharing their LOVE of singing led by Clare Elleray and Rachael Wadey. For all comers wanting to be part of a performing community choir using singing in positive ways to change their local and wider world for the better. See our website [www.growingsinging.co.uk](http://www.growingsinging.co.uk) for more details. Contact us at [clare@growingsinging.co.uk](mailto:clare@growingsinging.co.uk) for dates and details of when and how we welcome new members.

**Tuesdays 7.00-9.00pm, Kendal Town Hall**

**Fellside Singers:** A friendly, mixed, fundraising choir, sharing their LOVE of singing led by Clare Elleray and Rachael Wadey. For all comers wanting to be part of a performing community choir using singing in positive ways to change their local and wider world for the better. See our website [www.growingsinging.co.uk](http://www.growingsinging.co.uk) for more details. Contact us at [clare@growingsinging.co.uk](mailto:clare@growingsinging.co.uk) for dates and details of when and how we welcome new members.

**Tuesdays, 7.15pm, Dent Memorial Hall (beginning 6th September 2022)**

The Dentedale Choir is delighted to announce that their new Musical Director is Nick Hurndall Smith, a well-known tenor soloist and musician. New members are always welcome – there's no audition and you don't have to be able to read music.

**Tuesdays, 7.20-9.30pm, Endmoor Village Hall**

**Levens Choir** rehearses. [contact@levenschoir.net](mailto:contact@levenschoir.net)

**Tuesdays, 7.30pm, Tebay Methodist Church Hall**

**Cobweb Orchestra:** Wouldn't you just love to play in an orchestra? If you are an experienced player, a comparative beginner, or want to dust the cobwebs off an old instrument and get playing, then the award-winning Cobweb Orchestra is for you. Our local group meets in the Tebay Methodist Church hall on Tuesdays at 7.30 pm. Twenty easy minutes from Kendal and just off junction 38 of the M6. Everyone is welcome, and your first visit is free. Frequent weekend study days around the North of England. Conductor is Roland Fudge – [rolandfudge@austwick.org](mailto:rolandfudge@austwick.org) – 015242 51567. Check the website – [www.cobweborchestra.org.uk](http://www.cobweborchestra.org.uk).

**Tuesdays, 7.30pm, Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal**

**Kendal South Choir** rehearses with conductor Geoffrey Field. Very friendly choir. Sopranos and basses always needed! [kendalsouthchoir.weebly.com](http://kendalsouthchoir.weebly.com) or email [kendalsouthchoir1@gmail.com](mailto:kendalsouthchoir1@gmail.com)

**Tuesdays, 7.30pm-9.30pm, Anglican and Free Church Chaplaincy Centre, Lancaster University**

**Lancaster Singers.** The choir was formed nearly 50 years ago. We give five or six concerts a year, held in a variety of venues ranging from large concert halls, where we often perform with professional orchestras and soloists, to tiny village churches. Our repertoire is eclectic, and we perform classical works from the Renaissance to modern songs of today. Each of us pays an annual subscription. Students in full time education

are free. Lancaster Singers is an auditioned choir for the over-18s. The audition is short and informal and although some musical literacy is required, we believe the variety of our musical backgrounds adds to the diversity and flexibility of the group. Please email Sarah Jackson at [welcome@lancastersingers.org](mailto:welcome@lancastersingers.org) or give her a ring on 07929 031466.

**Tuesday evenings, 7.00pm prompt, Crosthwaite Parish Room, Keswick CA12 5QG (next to the Co-op)**

**Keswick Choral Society** has been going since 1840 and is still welcoming singers on Tuesday evenings. Good sopranos particularly welcome at present! Details from the membership secretary 01931 714457 or [www.keswickchoralsociety.org.uk](http://www.keswickchoralsociety.org.uk)

**Wednesdays, 7.00pm, St Mary's Church, Kirkby Lonsdale – resuming on 13th September**

**Kirkby Lonsdale Singers and Sing Joyfully!** are welcoming new choir members in January – No previous experience necessary. All voices welcome! We sing as one choir, rehearsing weekly on Wednesday evenings during term time. We are a really friendly group, including new and experienced singers of all ages. No ability to read music is needed and we work from score, lyrics and learning by ear. Warm-ups are fun and we also focus on vocal health, improving our singing technique and establishing a good sound, whilst learning new music. Contact Anastasia on 07952 601568 or email [anastasia@anastasiamicklethwaite.com](mailto:anastasia@anastasiamicklethwaite.com) if you would like more information. Music for 2024 will include Spring-Summer songs with the theme of Earth, Sea, Sky and later, seasonal Winter Music with the theme, “A Flower in the Winter”.  
[www.anastasiamicklethwaite.com](http://www.anastasiamicklethwaite.com)

**Wednesdays, 7.30-9.30pm, Kendal Town Hall**

**K Shoes Male Voice Choir** rehearses each week (except August). New members are always welcome. <http://www.kshoesmvc.org/>

**Thursdays, 7.30-9.30pm, Ghyllside Primary School, Gillinggate, Kendal**

**Kendal Choral Society** rehearses.

**Thursdays, 7.30-9.00pm, St Mark's Church, Natland**

**The Pro Nobis Singers** rehearse. [www.pronobis-singers.com](http://www.pronobis-singers.com)

**Would you like to be involved with a local orchestra?**

The Westmorland Orchestra is looking for volunteers! We perform three concerts a year, have a membership of over 50 players with professional conductor and leader and we are supported by patrons and subscribers. We have a vacancy for a Chair: if you would like to chat about this role – or other ways you can get involved with the orchestra, such as helping front of house on concert days, please do get in touch with Ann Robb [wohonsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:wohonsecretary@gmail.com) or Georgina Perkins [worchestrachair@gmail.com](mailto:worchestrachair@gmail.com) or leave a message on 01539 896299 and we will get back to you.