

LONDON REGION MUSIC DAY

SATURDAY 20 OCTOBER 2018

PROGRAMME

- From 10.00 Registration
- 10.55 Opening by the Chair of the London Region, Catherine Ware
- 11.00 **Broadway and The American Songbook c. 1920-1950**
Stanley Clingman, U3A in London
- 12.00 **Verdi's Parental Connections**
Talk with opera excerpts and translation of sung text
(returnable). Additional information overleaf.
Howard Shelter, U3A in London
- 13.05 BREAK FOR LUNCH**
- 14.10 **'Seemed as if sent straight from God'**
The lives of Robert Schumann, Clara Schumann and the rather
younger Johannes Brahms formed a complex intertwining of
love, friendship, passion and music.
Robert Hugill, U3A in London
- 15.15 **A Short History of Jazz, from its Birth in New Orleans to its**
Spread Worldwide
Bernie Victor, Dulwich & District U3A
- 16.15 Close by the Chair of the London Region

Extra information on the talks by Stanley Clingman, Robert Hugill and Howard Shelter

Broadway and The American Songbook c. 1920-1950

Many of these songs by the Gershwins, Rodgers and Hart, Jerome Kern, Cole Porter and many others are today regarded as jewels of the 20th Century musical world. Stories and recorded examples will illuminate.

Verdi's Parental Connections

Talk with opera excerpts and translation of sung text (returnable)

When Verdi was 27 the death of his son, daughter and wife in 1840 sent him into a spiralling depression. His pre-occupation with the parent-child relationship is featured in many of his operas: in Nabucco - insanely arrogant father and his sadistically wicked daughter; in Luisa Miller - two fathers and their respective son and daughter; in Stiffelio – father and his unfaithful married daughter: in La Traviata - father and son with courtesan lover; in IL Trovatore - murderess mother with the wrong son; in Rigoletto - devoted father and daughter; in Don Carlos - Phillip II of Spain and his wife, stepmother and ex-lover of Philip's son; in Simon Boccanegra - father and long-lost daughter; in Aida – father, Ethiopian king and enemy of Egypt and his daughter Aida.

'Seemed as if sent straight from God'

Robert Hugill explores the way the lives of the three composers intertwined, from Robert's courtship of Clara, their court case with his father, their support of the young Brahms, Robert's decline into madness, Brahms support for Clara and their complex almost relationship, with musical examples from all three composers.

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Cost: £20 Per person

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Gwen Wright, 1 Athena Close, Byron Hill Road, Harrow HA2 0JB

Tel: 020 8864 9019

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No tickets will be issued. However, I will e-mail you acknowledging your application & payment. If you do not have e-mail, **please enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope** with your application form and cheque.

Please note that no refreshments are included as there are many coffee shops and cafés close by, including a small café in Kings Place.

HOW TO GET TO KINGS PLACE

Public Transport

Tube

The nearest tube station is King's Cross St. Pancras, on the Circle, Metropolitan, Hammersmith & City, Piccadilly, Northern and Victoria lines. The station has step-free access from the platform to the street level. From the tube station the quickest way to Kings Place is via King's Boulevard. You may also walk up York Way.

Train

King's Cross St. Pancras and Euston are the nearest mainline railway stations.

Bus

The nearest bus route to York Way/Kings Place is the 390. Other services running to nearby King's Cross St. Pancras are bus routes 10, 17, 30, 45, 46, 59, 63, 73, 91, 205, 214, 259 and 476.

Car

Kings Place has no dedicated public parking. Limited parking is available to visitors in the surrounding streets. The building is outside of the Congestion Charge Zone.

If you are using sat nav our postcode is N1 9AG.

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