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Come & Sing! Brahms Requiem

Since our very successful *Come & Sing* event last year we have had many requests to do it again in 2012. So here we are inviting you once again to join us in Melrose to sing another gem in the choral repertoire, the **Brahms Requiem** – using the English score.

The date for this special event is **Saturday 26th May 2012** and we are delighted that **Marion Dodd**, so well known to singers and music-lovers in the Borders, has again agreed to conduct, accompanied by **John Bryden**, whose reputation as a concert musician extends to many countries. We will be supported by two professional soloists. We are very grateful that they are all giving their time.

The venue will be the Melrose Parish Church and the day will consist of an afternoon rehearsal and an evening performance open to the public. All the details and registration form are on the other side of this letter.

Our first aim is to raise funds for the Music Society to enable us to continue to bring to our part of the Borders the very best of chamber music performed by musicians of international acclaim; that is what we do. Our second aim is to provide an opportunity for singers from far and wide to come and make music together in beautiful Melrose.

So do please come and join us to sing this wonderful work in a lovely setting – if you feel you don't know the music, you soon will, guided by our chorus master and supported by many others who will have sung it before!

Just fill in the **registration form** overleaf as soon as possible and return it to the address shown. If you need more copies, please let us know. Tell your singing friends and if you wish to register them too you can do so overleaf. Or you can photocopy the form or download it from our website at www.melrosemusicsociety.org.uk. Once registered, we will send you your tickets and further information nearer the time and we will look forward to seeing you in May.

With best wishes

Hedydd Anderson
Chairman

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www.melrosemusicsociety.org.uk

Come & Sing
Brahms Requiem *(in English)*
Saturday 26th May 2012.

Venue:

Melrose Parish Church – on leaving the town, turn right a little way past the Greenyards Rugby ground; the church stands on its hill on the left. There is parking in the adjacent side streets.

Rehearsal and timings:

The church will be open for you to register and collect your music from 1.00 pm on the day. The afternoon rehearsal will be from **2.00 pm** until **5.30 pm** with a mid-afternoon break when tea/coffee will be available in the adjacent hall. The hall may also be used between rehearsal and concert but you should bring your own food. The evening **concert** will commence at **7.00 pm** and should finish at about 9.00 pm.

Cost:

Singers are asked to **donate** £12; concessions £10; young singers (up to 16 years) £5. Audience for the evening concert will be asked to **donate** £8; concessions £6, *when booked on the form below*, otherwise they will be required to pay this at the door; accompanied children will be admitted free.

Music hire:

Copies of the score will be available to hire and we will collect the cost from you on the day – probably about £1 or £1.50 per copy. Some singers have their own scores but it is important that you tell us when booking if you need music, to ensure that we have sufficient copies.

Registration tickets:

Please fill out the Registration Form below, detach and return it to the address shown together with your cheque made **payable to Melrose Music Society**; please also enclose an addressed envelope and a loose stamp for the return of your tickets in due course.

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MELROSE MUSIC SOCIETY - COME & SING!
REGISTRATION FORM

I will make a voluntary donation, below, and wish to attend the Come & Sing on Saturday 26th May.

Name(s) (*if more than one from same address*).....

Address

Post Code **Tel. No:** **E-mail**

Voice part (please put number if booking more than one) - **Soprano** [] **Alto** [] **Tenor** [] **Bass** []

I will need a score (please tick) [] - number if more than one singer.

.... **Singers (full)** @ **£12** - £

.... **Singers (concession)** @ **£10** - £

.... **Singers (under 16)** @ **£5** - £

.... **Audience (full)** @ **£8** - £

.... **Audience (conces'n)** @ **£6** - £

TOTAL payment enclosed - £.....

***Giftaid* - Declaration**

I wish the donations made by me to the Melrose Music Society and shown here to be eligible for tax recovery under the Gift Aid Scheme.

I confirm that I am a UK tax payer.

Signed: **Date:**.....

Please return to:

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Melrose Music Society is running this event to raise funds to enable us to continue to achieve our charitable aims and objectives. In order to comply with the HMCR rules for Gift Aid recovery, we must offer you the option to attend this event free of charge. If you wish to do so please tick here [] .