

(Newly-added and updated events are highlighted)

APRIL 2024

Thursday 4th April, 7.30pm, The Great Hall, Lancaster University

Manchester Camerata with Karen Cargill: Hearing Voices: 30 players including mezzo-soprano Karen Cargill with a programme featuring Pablo Casals, Benjamin Britten, Michael Tippett and Antonio Vivaldi's 'Four Seasons'. Tickets: lancasterarts.org

Friday 5th April, 7.30pm, Victoria Hall, Main Street, Grange Over Sands, LA11 6DP

Grange Over Sands & District Concert Club: Polaris Duo – Elinor Nicholson (harp) & Gillian Blair (saxophone). www.grangeoversandsconcertclub.org

Saturday 6th April, 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. www.lancasterpriory.org

Saturday 6th April, 7.30pm, The Great Hall, Lancaster University

Lancaster & District Choral Society: Rutter *Requiem*, Jenkins *Gloria*, Walton *Crown Imperial Coronation March*, Elgar *Pomp and Circumstance* and Verdi *Aida Triumphal Chorus*. With orchestra and soprano soloist Jane Burnell. <https://www.ldcs-choral.org.uk>

Sunday 7th April, 2.30pm, Heron Theatre, Beetham

Trio Volant. Trio Volant formed in 2010 by Thomas Evans (clarinet), Bea Hubble (oboe), Alice Braithwaite (bassoon) of the RNCM. They regularly give formal recitals and lunchtime concerts in Manchester, the North West and further afield. They particularly enjoy performing the lesser-known reed trio chamber music repertoire. Winners of the Dorothy Parkinson Award 2017 for young outstanding British chamber musicians and Selected and Recommended Artists for Making Music for 2019-2020. Tickets £15 (members £12) at www.theherontheatre.com or pay at the door.

Sunday 7th April – 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 rehearsals on 5th and 26th May. More information from Rowena Gibbons at ulverstonmusicfestival@gmail.com. www.ulverstonmusicfestival.co.uk

Friday 12th April, 7.30pm, Carver Church, Windermere

K Shoes Male Voice Choir: Concert of male voice music. Tickets £10 from www.kshoesmvc.org or on the door.

Friday 12th April, 7.30pm, Lancaster Priory

The King's Men. Tickets: <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DGML>

Friday 12th April, 7.30pm, St Martin's Chapel, University of Cumbria, Lancaster

Lancaster Music Makers. The programme will contain our usual eclectic mix of music from classical and related genres, the details of which will be on our website, www.lancastermusicmakers.co.uk, shortly before the concert date. See the website for further information about Lancaster Music Makers.

Saturday 13th April, 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. www.lancasterpriory.org

Saturday 13th April, 7.30pm, St George's Church, Kendal

Kendal Choral Society. Howard Goodall *Eternal Light*; Francesco Durante *Magnificat*; Bob Chilcott *God So Loved the World*; Duncan Lloyd *Southwell Suite* (for string quartet). There will be the usual solos from choir members, but we've also got local professional soloists Jessica and Patrick Relph taking the more substantial solos in the Goodall and the Durante – bringing their lovely voices to make this concert extra special. www.kendalchoral.org.uk

Saturday 13th April, 7.30pm, Heron Theatre, Beetham

The Rheingans Sisters. After a decade releasing critically celebrated albums and touring across the UK, Europe and Australia, multi-instrumentalists Rowan and Anna Rheingans release a fifth studio album in 2024. Their future-yearning, minimalist and painterly compositions describe modern and often urban experience with the warmth and empathy with sounds of electric guitar and synth underpinning raw textures of fiddles, feet and medieval bass drones of the tambourin à cordes. Tickets £15 (members £12) at www.theherontheatre.com or pay at the door.

Saturday 13th April, 7.30pm, St Oswald's Church, Grasmere

K Shoes Male Voice Choir: Concert of male voice music. Tickets £10 from www.kshoesmvc.org or on the door.

Saturday 13th April, 7.30pm, Kendal Leisure Centre

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society presents the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra. Ruth Gipps *Song for Orchestra*, Nielsen *Violin Concerto*, Sibelius *Symphony No 5*. www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk

Sunday 14th April, 2.30-3.30pm, St Anne's Church, Ings, Staveley

Paddy Davies (percussionist), National Youth Orchestra, winner of the 2023 Keldwyth Award and student at the Royal Academy. Paddy will be playing a selection of pieces for solo marimba, multi-percussion, snare drum, Chinese drum, including Bach Violin Sonata in G minor for marimba. Admission £10 at the door, including tea & buns after the concert. www.ingsvillage.org.uk

Sunday 14th April, 3.00pm, Dacre Hall, Lanercost Priory, Lanercost, Brampton CA8 2HQ

Brampton Chamber Choir – William Byrd: his life and times in music and words. Local historian Maks Loth-Hill joins The Brampton Consort for a tribute to the Tudor genius. Tickets on the door £10. More details from secretarybcc1543@gmail.com and at bramptonchamberchoir.co.uk

Thursday 18th April, 7.30pm, Lancaster Priory

Roderick Williams with Roger Vignoles: Hearing Pictures. Baritone Roderick Williams OBE, one of the country's most sought-after opera singers, will be performing a wide repertoire from baroque to contemporary music, accompanied on piano by internationally recognised Roger Vignoles. Tickets: lancasterarts.org

Saturday 20 April, 10.00am-5.00pm, Fulwood Methodist Church, Preston PR2 8EA

NWEMF (North West Early Music Forum) workshop: Oh What Evil is War, led by Gawain Glenton. A workshop exploring music written during the Thirty Years War (1618-1648) composed by German speaking musicians affected by the conflict such as Heinrich Schütz, Melchior Franck, Johann Straden and Sigmund Theophil Straden. Suitable for singers and players of appropriate instruments. Further information and an application form www.nwemf.org/nwemf-workshops/

Saturday 20th April, 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. www.lancasterpriory.org

Saturday 20th April, 7.30pm, Slyne-with-Hest Church Hall, LA2 7JG

Carnforth and District Choral Society Spring Concert: Excerpts from Handel's *Messiah*. <https://www.carnforthchoral.co.uk/>

Saturday 20th April, 7.30pm, Carlisle Cathedral

Cumbria Singers with conductor Andrew Padmore; British Sinfonietta; Soloists: Molly Cochrane (soprano), Gaynor Keeble (mezzo soprano), Ben Davies (bass). Fauré *Requiem* and *Cantique de Jean Racine*, Elgar *The Music Makers*. <https://cumbriasingers.org.uk>

Wednesday 24th April, 7.30pm, Old Laundry Theatre, Bowness-on-Windermere

Kammerphilharmonie Europa – guest performance. The ensemble is made up of some of the most talented young musicians from across Europe who tour and perform around the world with award-winning soloists Andrej Sur (violin) and Cyrill Gussaroff (trumpet). Enjoy an evening full of versatile sounds and complex emotions with the following selected works:

Vivaldi	Concerto di Parigi' for strings and basso continuo in G Minor RV 157
Albinoni	Concerto Saint Marc in B Major, for trumpet and orchestra
Bach	Concert for Violin and Orchestra a minor BWV 1041
Holst	Suite for String Orchestra op.29 Nr.2, "Saint Paul's Suite"
Delius	Two Aquarelles
Mozart	Divertimento D Major KV.136

<https://www.oldlaundrytheatre.co.uk/event/the-european-chamber-philharmonic-orchestra/>

Thursday 25th April, 2.00pm and 4.30pm, Holker Hall (followed by a tour of the Hall)

PLEASE NOTE: Hanna has agreed to an extra concert at 4.30pm

Lake District Summer Music and LDSM Patrons Spring Concert Series. Hanna Bachmann. 'A mature personality at the piano' (Kirill Petrenko, Berlin Philharmonic), young Austrian pianist Hanna Bachmann has quickly established an incredible international career with performances across the Americas, Middle East and some of Europe's most prestigious stages including Vienna's Musikverein and Berlin

Philharmonie. Her appearance at Holker Hall is followed by a post-concert tour of the home for the audience. www.ldsm.org.uk

Friday 26th April 7.30pm, Wigton Methodist Church

Talland String Quartet from Manchester: Programme of Haydn, Beethoven, Grace-Evangeline Mason and Shostakovich. Tickets £12 OR £10 if reserved in advance. Phone 016973 43351 or email david@ferriby.co.uk

Saturday 27th April, 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. www.lancasterpriory.org

Saturday 27th April, 10.00am-5.00pm, St James's Church, Arnside

Arnside Choral Society – Come & Sing *Missa Deus Nobiscum* plus other works, led by the composer Philip Stopford. All welcome. PRE-BOOKING ESSENTIAL – book online at arnsidechoralsociety.co.uk/stopford

Saturday 27th April, 7.30pm, Holme Parish Church, Holme

K Shoes Male Voice Choir: Concert of male voice music. Tickets £12 (refreshments included) from www.kshoesmvc.org or on the door.

Saturday 27th April, 7.30pm, St John's Church, Keswick

Keswick Choral Society – Spring Concert. Poulenc *Gloria*; Handel *Let the Bright Seraphim*; Mozart *Laudate Dominum*; Fauré *Cantique de Jean Racine*. Plus Britten, Elgar, Fauré, Rutter, Parry, Stanford. (Please note change from usual venue.) <https://keswickchoralsociety.org.uk/>

Saturday 27th April, 7.30pm, Kendal Parish Church

Sunday 28th April, 3.00pm, Lancaster Cathedral, Balmoral Road, Lancaster

Levens Choir – A rare chance to hear Antonio Vivaldi's Sacred Music. Conducted by Gawain Glenton. The programme features the choral works Magnificat and Beatus Vir, two Sinfonias and a Concerto for strings and continuo. The choir will be accompanied by "South Lakes Baroque" orchestra, led by virtuoso violinist Kinga Ujszászi. Kinga has appeared as a soloist with the English Concert, of which she is a member, the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment and the Irish Baroque Orchestra, and as a leader with a number of ensembles. She is director of the group Spiritato. Our 15 piece orchestra, assembled for this special project, includes Mark Baigent and Geoff Coates, both eminent baroque specialists (oboe), local string players and the well-known Ian Pattison, organist. Tickets £18 available on-line, from choir members or at the door. Children and students free. www.levenschoir.net

MAY 2024

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

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. www.lancasterpriory.org

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

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, St Anne's Church, Ings, Staveley

Iona Brown (violin) Mike Gerrard (viola) – wife and husband duo from Royal Northern Sinfonia. A further instalment in Iona's Bach Challenge. Admission £10 at the door, including tea & buns after the concert. 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 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.
www.ulverstonmusicfestival.co.uk

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

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. www.lancasterpriory.org

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

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. For more information contact 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, 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. www.lancasterpriory.org

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
PLEASE NOTE NEW VENUE.

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 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

Sunday 19th May, 4.00pm, Kendal Parish Church

Keswick Choral Society sings Evensong. Repertoire details available on application to 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.anastasiamickelethwaite.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

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

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. www.lancasterpriory.org

Saturday 25th May – details tbc

Kendal Choral Society summer concert.

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

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 – 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. www.ulverstonmusicfestival.co.uk

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

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

Ulverston International Music Festival. www.ulverstonmusicfestival.co.uk

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. www.lancasterpriory.org

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

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

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. www.lancasterpriory.org

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

Lancaster Singers. Summer concert. 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

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

Kendal Concert Band. 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 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. www.lancasterpriory.org

Saturday 15th June, 7.30 pm, Kendal Parish Church

Westmorland Orchestra. Wagner – Tristan und Isolde 'Prelude and Liebestod'; Norwegian dances - Grieg; Saint-Saëns Symphony No 3 (The Organ). www.WestmorlandOrchestra.org.uk

Saturday 15th June, 7.30pm, Lancaster Priory

Lancaster Singers. Summer concert. www.lancastersingers.org

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. Tickets now available. Includes free Come & Sing, Karl Jenkins *The Armed Man* on Sunday 16th June. Invitations coming out soon. <https://sedberghmusicfestival.com/indexqb.html#alldetail>

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, 7.30pm, Hawkshead Parish Church

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

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, 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 – 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 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

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

Saturday 22nd June, Kendal

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

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>

Saturday 29th June, 7.30pm, Kendal Parish Church
Westmorland Youth Orchestra. www.wyo.org.uk

Saturday 29th June – time and 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

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

Saturday 6th July, 2.30pm, Ambleside
Burneside Brass. Ambleside Rushbearing. 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

Sunday 7th July, 2.00pm, Grange-over-Sands bandstand
Burneside Brass. 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.

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>

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

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

Come & Sing day with Tim Knight. applebyorganist16@hotmail.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

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

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

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.

AUGUST 2024

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

Lake District Summer Music Festival 2024

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

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

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 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.

www.kendalsouthchoir.weebly.com

Thursday 26th September, 7.30pm, The Fratry, Carlisle Cathedral

Carlisle Music Society – Dominic Degavino (piano).

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

Saturday 28th September, 7.30pm, venue tbc

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society. 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

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

Saturday 5th October (morning), Silverdale Village Institute

Silverdale Renaissance: Singers' workshop with the Gesualdo Six. For more information contact rogeraitken@myphone.coop

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

Sing and Play Day with Bach: B Minor Mass.

Singers – come and work on selected choruses from this great work with Ian Jones and the Cumbria Festival Chorus;

Players – come and sample Baroque style playing for the B Minor Mass with Amanda Babington, Artistic Director of 'Baroque in the North'.

The day will finish with singers and players joining in choruses from the 'BMM'.

Cumbria Festival Chorus will be performing the B Minor Mass on Saturday July 12th, 2025 so this is your chance to get ahead with learning the piece!

For more information visit: 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

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

Kendal Concert Band's Autumn Concert. £10 entry. www.kendalconcertband.org

Thursday 24th October, 7.30pm, The Fratre, 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

Sunday 10th November, 2.30pm, Kendal Leisure Centre

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Series: Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra. Programme tba. www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk

Thursday 14th November, 7.30pm, The Fraternity, 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*. 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, Ashton Hall, Lancaster

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

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

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

Haffner Orchestra. Programme tbc. 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. 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

Saturday 14th December, 7.30pm, venue tbc

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

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

Levens Choir – Programme tbc. www.levenschoir.net

Sunday 15th December, 2.00pm, Kendal Town Hall

Kendal Concert Band's Christmas Concert in support of MNDA.

www.kendalconcertband.org

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

Levens Choir – Programme tbc. 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

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

The Rushley Singers' Christmas Concert "Where the stars dance". rmlee60@gmail.com

Saturday 21st December, 7.30pm, St James's Church, Arnside

Arnside Choral Society. 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

Wednesday 8th January

Kendal Midday Concert Series recommences for the new year.
www.kendalmiddayconcertclub.org

Wednesday 22nd January

Kendal Midday Concert Series. 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>

FEBRUARY 2025

Wednesday 5th February

Kendal Midday Concert Series. 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

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, Old Laundry Theatre, Bowness-on-Windermere

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

Saturday 1 March, 7.30pm, Great Hall, Lancaster University

Haffner Orchestra. Programme tbc. www.haffnerorchestra.org

Wednesday 5th March

Kendal Midday Concert Series. www.kendalmiddayconcertclub.org

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

Saturday 15th March – time and venue tbc

Westmorland Youth Orchestra. More details later. www.wyo.org.uk

Saturday 15th March, 7.30pm, Kendal Leisure Centre

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

Wednesday 19th March

Kendal Midday Concert Series. 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>

Saturday 29th March

Westmorland Orchestra. 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/>

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

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

Levens Choir – Duruflé Requiem. www.levenschoir.net

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

Levens Choir – Duruflé Requiem. www.levenschoir.net

Friday 25th April, 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*.
<https://cumbriasingers.org.uk/>

Saturday 26th April, 7.30pm, Carlisle Cathedral

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

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 or Saturday 21st June

Westmorland Orchestra. www.westmorlandorchestra.org.uk

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

Haffner Orchestra. Programme tbc. www.haffnerorchestra.org

JULY 2025

Saturday 5th July, 7.30pm, venue tbc

Levens Choir – Programme tbc. www.levenschoir.net

Saturday 5th July – time and venue tbc

Westmorland Youth Orchestra. More details later. www.wyo.org.uk

Sunday 6th July, 7.30pm, venue tbc

Levens Choir – Programme tbc. www.levenschoir.net

Saturday 12th July, 7.30pm, Kendal Parish Church

Cumbria Festival Chorus and orchestra – Bach: *B minor Mass*.
www.cumbriafestivalchorus.weebly.com

AUGUST 2025

Thursday 21st to Saturday 30th August

Cumbria Opera Festival 2025. Venues throughout Cumbria. Please visit 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

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

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

DECEMBER 2025

Saturday 6th or Sunday 7th December

Westmorland Orchestra. www.westmorlandorchestra.org.uk

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

Levens Choir – Programme tbc. www.levenschoir.net

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

Kendal Choral Society Christmas concert. www.kendalchoral.org.uk

MARCH 2026

Saturday 7th March, 7.30pm, venue tbc

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society. www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk

SEPTEMBER 2026

Saturday 26th September, 7.30pm, venue tbc

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society. www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk

MARCH 2027

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

Mary Wakefield Festival. www.marywakefieldfestival.weebly.com

Saturday 6th March, 7.30pm, venue tbc

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society. 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

SEPTEMBER 2027

Saturday 25th September, 7.30pm, venue tbc

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society. www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk

MARCH 2028

Saturday 4th March, 7.30pm, venue tbc

Lakeland Sinfonia Concert Society. www.lakelandsinfonia.org.uk

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 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 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

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 or 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. Alternatively, look at our website: 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

Mondays, 7.00-8.45pm, Staveley Village Hall

Staveley Choral Society rehearsals from September to late May.

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

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 for more details. Contact us at 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 for more details. Contact us at 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 Dentdale 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

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 – 015242 51567. Check the website – 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 or email 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 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

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@anastasiamickelethwaite.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.anastasiamickelethwaite.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

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 or Georgina Perkins worchestrachair@gmail.com or leave a message on 01539 896299 and we will get back to you.