

Stephen Hall, conductor: Stephen works in Defra as Head of Statistics within the Rural Policy team. He co-founded Etcetera in 2009 as music director - his first experience of leading a choir - and chairman. He also now conducts a community choir in Wimbledon. He recently completed the Association of British Choral Directors Advanced Conducting course. In 2013, he received Defra's Engholm Trophy for founding and developing Etcetera. He is chairman of English Baroque Choir and also sings with Orchestra of St. John's Voices, Anton Bruckner Choir, Collegiate Singers (occasional services in Westminster Abbey), and other choirs. He is occasionally a soloist, and also performs in plays and musicals with the Lantern Arts Centre, Wimbledon, where last week he was in a production of Dick Whittington.

Stephen Axford, pianist / organist: Stephen works in BIS as Head of Agricultural Technologies. Prior to joining Government, he pursued an academic career as a physical chemist and chemical engineer. His musical interests span roles as a conductor, singer, accompanist and soloist. He was a Cambridge organ and choral scholar and a long-standing member of the university Gilbert and Sullivan society, both on stage and as occasional musical director, and was also director of music at Little St Mary's. On moving to a post at Reading University, he directed the Chamber Choir there, worked with a number of local choirs, and sang as a deputy lay clerk at Windsor. He has held posts of assistant organist at Harpenden and Leighton Buzzard parish churches, and is currently director of music at St Mary's Eaton Bray in Bedfordshire.

Michael Pandazis, baritone soloist: Michael works in DfE on Academies. He studied opera at Morley Opera School in Lambeth, and studied vocal technique with Aidan Smith and Robert Dean. He began singing as a young boy, regularly performing in musicals and light opera at school and university, and was a member of Trinity Hall chapel choir in Cambridge. He sang regular recitals when he moved to Spain. He has played the roles of Escamillo in *Carmen*, Dr Daly in *The Sorcerer*, and has performed opera by Cavalli, Mozart, Thomas, Verdi, and Weill at Morley. He was also coached by Judith Weir on performance of scenes from her recent opera, *Miss Fortune*.

Etcetera Choir: Etcetera has become the largest Civil Service Choir, with members coming from a number of Departments and other bodies in Westminster. Singers range from administrators to senior civil servants (including a Permanent Secretary), and from those who have never before sung in a choir nor read music, through to experienced choral singers. There are no auditions and everyone is welcome. The choir has given 18 public concerts, raised £15,000 for charities, and has sung at 29 other events. For more information please visit www.etceterachoir.org.uk. Performances coming up are:

- **Whitehall Carol Service:** 1pm on 16th December, Emmanuel Centre, Marsham Street
- **Defra staff charity 'carol sing-along':** 12.45pm on 17th December, Nobel House, Smith Square
- **DCLG staff event:** 4.30pm on 17th December, 2 Marsham Street
- **Defra/DfT/DCLG Carol Service:** 1pm on 21st December, St Stephen's Church, Rochester Row

Next concert - Beethoven Mass in C: 1.05pm on 22nd March, St John's Smith Square
(Admission is free, but the concert is ticketed. Please visit www.sjss.org.uk)

CHARITY COLLECTION ON LEAVING – please give generously

Etcetera should be very grateful if you would show your appreciation not just in your hoped-for applause but also in your generosity. Every five, ten or twenty pounds you give in lieu of an admission charge will be donated to our chosen charities:

- **The Lifeboat Fund**, an official Civil Service charity, which raises money for the Royal National Lifeboat Institution for new lifeboats, refurbishing stations and boats, crew kit, equipment and training (www.thelifeboatfund.org.uk)
- **The Cardinal Hume Centre**, which does incredible work to alleviate poverty and homelessness, and transforms people's lives right on our doorstep. (www.cardinalhumecentre.org.uk)
- **St Stephen's Church**, for the upkeep of its services in the parish, its buildings, and its charitable giving. (www.sswsj.org)

Etcetera Civil Service Choir

Christmas Fantasia

1pm Tuesday 15th December 2015

St Stephen's Church, Rochester Row

Concert Programme

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Christmas Fantasia

Etcetera directed by Stephen Hall
Piano / organ: Stephen Axford
Baritone soloist: Michael Pandazis

Hymn to the Mother of God

John Tavener (1944 - 2014)

Jesus Child - Nativity Carol - Star Carol

John Rutter (1945 -)

Chelsea Carol

Eric Whitacre (1970 -)

Adveni, Sapientia, Donum Hivernale – Confirma nos vigilantes Ad quem adventurum. Adveni, adveni somnifera, Aevifera, Regina solis siderum. Adveni, adveni lunifera, Glacifera, Regina mater temporum. Sancta domina Regina! Sancta domina argentea! Sancta domina purissima! Adveni, adveni florifera, Solifera, Regina lucis candida. Adveni, adveni messifera, Nivifera, Regina somnis magistra. Adveni Mater! Adveni ad nos! Adveni, Domina!	Come thou, Wisdom, Gift of Winter – Strengthen us to wait For Him who is to come. Come thou, come dream-bearer, Time-bearer, Queen of sun and stars. Come thou, come moon-bearer, Frost-bearer, Queen and mother of the seasons. Holy lady, Queen! Holy lady of silver! Purest holy lady! Come thou, come flower-bearer, Sun bearer, Queen of gleaming light. Come thou, come sheaf-bearer, Snow bearer, Queen and mistress of Dreams. Come, Thou, Mother! Come to us! Come Lady!
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Words: Charles Anthony Silvestri (1965 -)

Fantasia on Christmas Carols

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872 - 1958)

The Twelve Days of Christmas

Arr. Bob Chilcott (1955 -)

Sopranos

Katherine Beard
Elizabeth Chrominska
Phoebe Clapham †
Antonia Dineen
Bronwyn Donne
Laura Edwards
Carolyn Foxall
Jennie Hall

Elena Hartley
Sarah Hendry
Jessica Hill
Beverley Howes
Rebecca Jackson
Bridget Jones
Diana MacDowall
Catriona Marchant

Charlotte McKeown
Lareen Mendes
Doreen Mitchell †
Clare Moriarty
Louise Mount
Rebecca Pashley
Rosalynd Phillip
Maisie Robinson

Adele Stevenson
Emma Stubbs
Laura Tingle †
Tricia Vincent
Anna Wardell
Rachel Yokoo-
Laurence †

Altos

Judy Addy
Melanie Baker
Anne Barry
Ayla Bedri
Esther Chilcraft
Gillian Clissold
Elspeth Coke
Stephanie Freeth

Sue Harling
Alison Harvey
Susanna Hawkins
Katharine Haworth
Jane Houghton
Olivia Lewis
Fiona Lloyd
Sara Lymath

Sharon Maddix
Hannah Mills
Nicola Molloy
Eileen Mortby †
Sue Nowak
Mary Obeng
Pamela Roberts
Jennifer Rutter

Esther Sheriff
Clare Southworth
Liane Spencer
Barbara Stewart
Mariam Tafsi
Suzanne Verhoven
Edith Walker

Tenors

Phil Barnes
Alan Bowden
Robert Bradburne †
Andrew Davis

Andrew Frost
Jan Gladysz
Daniel Hallam
John Hampton

Graham Hysted
David Lawson †
Giles Lindon †
Malcolm Lowe †

Tim May †
William Sing Lam Ng †
Richard Vidal
Paul Whiteside †

Basses

David Coles †
Peter Diggins
Philip Earl †
David Freeman †

Paul Gillett †
Paul Gooday
Ashley Holt †
Hans Libby

Hans Rashbrook
Krishna Sompura †
Philipp Thiessen
Jonathan Tillson

Tim Vale
Richard Vincent †

Violins

Francis Dickinson
(leader)

Jeremy Cook
Caroline Day

Rebecca Jackson
Rachel Moyce

Mary Stevens
Anna Wardell

Violas

Janet Farrell

Helen Jeffries

Bruce Paterson

Cellos

Henry Hargreaves ‡

Christopher Humphry

David Rawlins

Stephanie Seeley

Timpani / percussion

David Coronel

Sharon Moloney

† ensemble in *The Twelve Days of Christmas*
‡ solo cello in *Fantasia on Christmas Carols*

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