



Our Conductor

Originally from Gernika (Guernica) in the Basque Country, Jon Malaxetxebarria's career as a conductor is now developing in both England and Spain. He has conducted a variety of ensembles such as Manchester Camerata, Basque Country Symphony Orchestra, Bilbao Symphony Orchestra, Malaga Philharmonic, Liverpool Mozart Orchestra, Lancashire Chamber Orchestra, and Nottingham and Derbyshire Youth Orchestras.

Jon studied French Horn at Roosevelt University, Chicago and conducting at the Royal Northern College in Manchester.

Jon Malaxetxebarria was appointed Music Director and Principal Conductor of Solihull Symphony Orchestra in June 2013.

Photos: Tom Bangbala (above), Brian Jones (cover)

Joining the Orchestra

We have no formal auditions or entry requirements, although players will normally be expected to have had some orchestral experience. However, a willingness to learn and a commitment to attend rehearsals regularly are equally important! We rehearse on Tuesday evenings 19:30 - 21:45 at Solihull School.

Anyone interested in joining the orchestra is invited to contact us. Violin players are almost always welcome, but there is a waiting list for most other instruments. We also welcome enquiries for short term membership - if you're studying here for a year, or on a short term work placement for example?

The subscription rate for members from September 2018 is **£135**. Subscriptions are not normally charged for your first term, or for student members.

Support and Sponsorship

We welcome support from anyone who enjoys and appreciates our music. Why not consider becoming a Friend of Solihull Symphony Orchestra, or join our regular mailing list? For further details, see the Tickets page on the website.

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2018-2019

Saturday 24 November 2018

Shirley Methodist Church, 15:30

Grieg - Peer Gynt Suite No 1

Sejourne - Concerto for Vibraphone and Strings

Beethoven - Symphony No 6 (Pastoral)



Vibraphone - Jason Huxtable

Saturday 2 February 2019

Shirley Methodist Church, 15:30

New Year Concert

A concert of film music including - Harry Potter, James Bond, Pirates of the Caribbean and many more

Saturday 30 March 2019

Shirley Methodist Church, 15:30

Rising Stars 2019

Concerto performances by some of Solihull's most talented young musicians, together with Dvorak's New World Symphony performed by the orchestra.

If you would like to perform in Rising Stars 2019, or know anyone who might be interested, please get in touch. For further information, see the Rising Stars page of the website below.

Applications are invited by **20 October 2018**, and auditions will be held in November or December.

solihullsymphony.org.uk/risingstars

Saturday 30 June 2019

Shirley Methodist Church, 19:30

Mozart - Don Giovanni Overture

Kodaly - Hary Janos Suite

Tchaikovsky - Symphony No 5



Guest Conductor - Richard Jenkinson



Concert Information

All concerts are at Shirley Methodist Church, 257 Stratford Road, B90 3AL

Ticket Prices

Full Price – £13

Concessions (60+, unemployed etc) – £11

Students (under 25) – £5

Children under 16 – no charge

From orchestra website, orchestra members, Core Theatre Box Office (Solihull Central Library) or on the door on the day. Reductions for group bookings.