



Symphony Day with STEPHEN WATKINS

Saturday 5th October 2019
10am to 5pm
Methodist Church,
Higham Lane
TONBRIDGE TN10 4JG



Stephen Watkins

Stephen studied trombone, recorder and piano at the Guildhall School of Music and became interested in composing and conducting. When he joined Moira Usher's recorder orchestra 'EROS' he realised that there was a gap in the repertoire for pieces that take textures and forms from orchestral symphonic music, and set about changing this.

This year Stephen will bring his sixth symphony which is based on what he feels Anton Bruckner may have written for recorder orchestra. Bruckner is known by many more by what is said about him than by actual exposure to his music and, although it may seem strange to use recorders when working with the ideas of a composer famed for his brass chorales, it should be remembered that he was an organist and that recorders do work very well in this style. This is a big dramatic symphony that addresses some of the questions Bruckner considered in his music, so for a little light relief we will also be looking at 'Eduardo e Carmella', an overture for an opera that Rossini never wrote. Ted and Toffee are Stephen's greyhounds and he hopes that their charm and zest for life pervades the music.

Cost

£13.50 adults; £5 for students.

Please bring a music stand. Morning and afternoon refreshments will be provided. Items for lunch can be purchased locally, or bring your own.

To Book

To book a place please contact Ulli Burchette on ulli.burchette@gmail.com or complete the application form below and send it to her at 120 Hopgarden Road, Tonbridge TN10 4QX. Payment can be made by cheque payable to "Dunorlan Recorders" or by bank transfer to the Dunorlan Recorders bank account, sort code 30-98-63, account number 01160931.

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Recorders to be brought – all sizes welcome, especially large basses			