



WHITEHALL CHOIR



with the longfordbrown Piano Duo

# BRAHMS REQUIEM & Four Quartets



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Monday, 6 APRIL 2009, 7pm

THE BANQUETING HOUSE Whitehall, London SW1

CONDUCTOR Paul Spicer

SOPRANO Angela Bic BARITONE Marcus Farnsworth

Doors open at 6.15pm. Tickets £17.50 (including supper).

Contact the The Banqueting House box office on 020 3166 6153,  
visit [www.hrp.org.uk/banquetinghouse](http://www.hrp.org.uk/banquetinghouse) or email  
[info@whitehallchoir.org.uk](mailto:info@whitehallchoir.org.uk). Tickets also available on the door.

## Whitehall Choir

The Whitehall Choir just gets better and better. Now in its 66th season, it performs in leading venues across London. Members share a strong commitment to the choir and, in addition to attending weekly rehearsals take part in occasional tours abroad, singing workshops, a Come & Sing event with singers from other choirs and, in the run-up to Christmas, singing carols during cocktail hour at the Ritz!

The Choir is a friendly group and prizes this alongside singing sensitively and accurately.

## Paul Spicer

Paul Spicer began his musical training as a chorister at New College, Oxford. He studied with Herbert Howells and Richard Popplewell (organ) at the Royal College of Music in London, winning the Walford

Davies Organ Prize in his final year. As well as the Whitehall Choir, Paul conducts the Birmingham Bach Choir and the chamber choirs at the Birmingham Conservatoire where, with Oxford University, he teaches choral conducting. He founded the celebrated Finzi Singers in 1984, with whom he made 15 CDs for Chandos records. Paul is in great demand, too, as a recording producer and as a composer.

## longfordbrown Piano Duo

The longfordbrown Piano Duo was formed in 2002 when James Longford and Lindy Tennent-Brown met as Junior Fellows at the Royal College of Music in London. They are now laureates of several major international competitions and have quickly established a reputation for their innovative programming and thrilling performances. The duo has performed in Italy, the Netherlands, Denmark, the US, and throughout the UK, most recently giving two acclaimed performances of Poulenc's Concerto for two pianos at the Wiltshire Music Centre. Visit [www.longfordbrown.com](http://www.longfordbrown.com) for more information.

## Other concerts this season

### *Fauré Requiem and Cantique de Jean Racine*

Thursday, 19 March, St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, London WC2.

**Purcell, Bach and Vivaldi** Friday, 10 July 2009, St John's, Smith Square, London SW1.

## Recordings

In February the choir recorded its second CD – *Music for the Season of Christmas*.

For details of this and our first CD, Bruckner's *Mass in E minor* and Paul Spicer's *Deciduous Cross*, visit [www.whitehallchoir.org.uk](http://www.whitehallchoir.org.uk)

## Singing with Whitehall Choir

The choir rehearses on Tuesday evenings in the Victoria area during the academic year.

New members in all voice parts are welcome when spaces are available. Admission to the choir is by a short audition, usually held after attending one or two rehearsals. Details at [www.whitehallchoir.org.uk](http://www.whitehallchoir.org.uk), or call Richard Grafen on 020 7215 5323 (daytime only).

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