

## *Musica Charity Choir MK*

Musica Charity Choir MK sings with no charge for charities and other organisations to raise money for their worthy causes in and around Milton Keynes.

Since Musica formed in late 2018 we're proud to have sung at events where over £17,000 has been raised to support causes such as Willen Hospice, St John Ambulance, CPRE (the countryside charity), HOMSA (Hope Outreach), local church funds and the Mayor of Milton Keynes' Charities YMCA MK and MK Hospital Charity (Cancer Centre Appeal).

We sing songs and music in all styles. Our concerts include 'something for everyone'.

We're led by our hugely experienced Musical Director **Ken Storry**. Ken is a singer himself and has composed and arranged a wide range of works including items for Musica (some of which we're singing tonight). A former County Music Advisor, he was responsible for the recordings in the acclaimed primary schools Ginn Carousel Music Scheme.

We have fantastic support from our multi-talented accompanist **Anna Le Hair** is a pianist and piano teacher based in Tring. She started playing the piano as soon as she could reach the keys. Anna has a busy and varied career as a performer, teacher, accompanist,

ABRSM examiner, adjudicator and conductor. She plays throughout Britain and abroad, including the Edinburgh Fringe and Buxton (where she was nominated for the title of 'Performer of the Fringe').

The lockdown period was the first time in over three hundred years that English choirs were forbidden to sing together. Despite this, we remained very busy: we rehearsed together regularly online, and we made a series of highly successful virtual recordings. These were created to support the Milton Keynes Covid Emergency Relief Fund and other charities. These virtual performances raised many thousands of pounds. Late last year we managed two outdoor carol events, raising much needed funds for Willen Hospice. When lockdown conditions eased we sang in small groups of four and six, outdoors. With fantastic enthusiasm, Musica not only stayed together but increased our membership. We're proud to be singing with a real live audience this evening.

If you know of a group or charity which would like to book us to sing for them in 2022, please visit us at [www.musicamk.uk](http://www.musicamk.uk), find us on Facebook, or speak to us this evening.

We encourage everyone here to be as generous as possible. Tonight we're raising our voices for you and your fine cause.



*Musica in pre Covid times: we do need a new photograph!*



## **Musica** *Charity Choir MK*

# WELCOME BACK CONCERT!

Music in all styles, something for everyone

**7.30pm**

**Saturday 23rd October 2021**

*St Peter & St Paul's Church, Cranfield*

### *Conductor*

Ken Storry

### *Accompanist*

Anna Le Hair

**IN AID OF  
CHURCH  
FUNDS**

[cranfieldchurch.org](http://cranfieldchurch.org)



## **Part 1**

### **In the Mood**

*Joe Garland, Arr Peter Gritton*

*From our Covid repertoire*

### **Over the Rainbow**

*Composed by Harold Arlen, Lyrics Yip Harburg, Arr Mac Huff*

*Solo*

*From our religious repertoire:*

### **Ave Verum Corpus**

*W A Mozart*

### **Lacrimosa**

*W A Mozart*

### **Cantique de Jean Racine**

*Gabriel Fauré (translated into French from Latin by Jean Racine)*

*Solo*

*From our VE Day preparations!*

### **Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy**

*Don Raye & Hugh Prince, Arr Ken Storry*

### **White Cliffs of Dover**

*Nat Burton & Walter Kent, Arr Ken Storry*

*Solo*

*From our Blue repertoire*

### **The Blue Bird**

*C V Stanford, Lyrics Mary Coleridge*

### **La Mer**

*Trenet, Arr Lars Wallenäs*

## **Interval**

## **Part 2**

### **I got Rhythm**

*George & Ira Gershwin, Arr Christopher Clapham*

### **Bridge over Troubled Water**

*Paul Simon, Arr Mark Hayes*

*From our religious repertoire*

### **Even When He is Silent**

*Kim André Arnesen*

### **Pie Jesu**

*John Rutter*

*Solo*

*Songs without words*

### **Verano Porteno**

*Astor Piazzolla, Arr Oscar Escalada*

### **Sleepytime Bach**

*J S Bach, Arr Bennett Williams*

*Piano solo*

*And to end with ...*

### **One Voice**

*Barry Manilow, Arr Kirby Shaw*

### **The Road Home**

*Stephen Paulus*

### **Lullaby**

*Daniel Elder*

### **What a Wonderful World**

*George David Weiss & Bob Thiele, Arr Mark Hayes*