

7.00pm SATURDAY 2nd December 2017

Hampstead Garden Suburb Free Church Central Square, London NW11 7AG

 ${f 3.00pm}$ Matinee rehearsal performance for families and children for just ${f £1}$

7:00pm (doors open 6:30pm) Tickets **£10** (**£8** if bought in advance) Under 12's free, available on the door or at:



SUPPORTING & CHAMPIONING VOLUNTARY MUSIC

NORTH LONDON SINFONIA

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Kieran Hodgson

WINTER CONCERT

Our winter concert sweeps us off to Russia for an evening of evocative and charming music from the 19th and 20th centuries. We feature two major representatives of Soviet music, **Prokofiev** and **Kabalevsky**, alongside works by Prokofiev's teacher **Lyadov** and the latter's older colleague and admirer **Mussorgsky**.

Prokofiev's most celebrated work, the captivating 'musical tale for children' *Peter and the Wolf*, is narrated by actor, comedian (and stalwart of our second violins) **Kieran Hodgson**. We also present a rare performance of the composer's pre-Revolutionary *Autumnal Sketch*, written in 1910 when he was just 19 years old. Kabalevsky's attractive and spontaneous work - the engaging *Violin Concerto* conforms comfortably to the dictates of Socialist Realism.

Lyadov's small body of exquisitely-crafted shorter works led Prokofiev to quip that 'laziness was his most remarkable feature', yet his mastery of late-Romantic harmony and orchestration combine to produce in the tone-poem *The Enchanted Lake* a miniature masterpiece. Mussorgsky's historical opera *Khovanshchina* was left unfinished at his death in 1881, but was subsequently orchestrated and completed by a number of composers, including Shostakovich and Stravinsky. We present its atmospheric introduction 'Dawn over the Moscow River' in the first version by Rimsky-Korsakov.





ABOUT US

We are a long-established and friendly community orchestra, performing three concerts each year at various North London venues: at Trinity Church, North Finchley (where we rehearse on Monday evenings), but also in Palmers Green, Hampstead Garden Suburb, and Highgate.

Our members come from diverse backgrounds and have many varied day-jobs. Some have played their instrument since childhood, whilst others have resumed after a break or begun from scratch as an adult. We have the benefit of a professional director of music and conductor, **Owen Leech**, leader **Carolyn Franks** and principal cello **Marina Comas Castiñeira**, each of whom enjoys a distinguished musical career. We are also fortunate to have the chance to perform with gifted professional soloists, both young and established.

We have a common passion for playing music and relish the opportunity to explore a wide repertoire comprising well-loved, less-familiar and new works. Our ethos is to provide a friendly and supportive environment for musicians to develop their skills. We pride ourselves on being open to musicians of all ages and backgrounds. We maintain a 'no auditions' policy, and welcome and encourage all musicians who feel they can make a contribution to join us and share the experience.

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