

CROYDON SCHOOLS' MUSIC ASSOCIATION

Annual Festival of Music

Fairfield Halls - Wednesday 23rd March 2005

Infant Choir

Conductor Helen Bretherick
Piano David Wilcox
Drums Paul Dowie

Keep-fit Calypso

I Don't Want To Live On The Moon

Gently The River

The Disco Beat

Sue Nicholls

Jeff Moss arranged by Jo McNally

Lin Marsh

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Croydon Youth Orchestra

A Suite for Brass

1. Folk Song
2. Grandmother's Minuet
3. Sailor's Song

Edvard Grieg Conductor: James Warburton

Largo from the New World Symphony

Anton Dvorak Conductor: Graeme Smith

Carmen Suite No. 1

1. Aragonaise
2. Les Toreadors

George Bizet

The Croydon Youth Orchestra is a full symphony orchestra with more than 70 players. The orchestra rehearses and performs a wide variety of music ranging from the established classical repertoire through to the present day. In addition to performing regularly at the Fairfield Hall and elsewhere in Croydon, the orchestra has made several tours to Europe, most recently to Poland in July 2003.

Croydon Youth Fluteharmonic

Directed by Carolyn Kelly

Of Wizards and Witches

1. The Sorcerer's Spell
2. Zoom Goes the Broom

Phyllis Avidan Louke

Jamaican Rhapsody

arr. Jerry Nowak

The Croydon Youth Fluteharmonic meets every Wednesday during term time to rehearse and prepare for concerts. The repertoire is very varied, covering Baroque, Classical, Romantic, Jazz and Contemporary music. We have two bass flutes and two alto flutes and some of the students have their own piccolos and are encouraged to play them. Performances are also often enhanced by the use of drum kit or cello and bassoon. The group often play at the Fairfield Halls but have also performed at the Barbican Centre and at the Purcell Room in London.

Speech by the **Mayor of Croydon**, Councillor Brenda Kirby

Infant Choir

Soye's Skin

Musicians: Emily Keeler, Ernest Obeng, Abass Nii Dodoo, Thierry Malard
Djembe drumming: Gilbert Scott Infant School (Teacher: Liz Lock)
Dancers: Atwood Primary School (Teachers: Pamela Jacques and Charlotte Hall)

'Soye's Skin' has been commissioned especially for this concert . The story is based on a traditional Yoruba story from Nigeria which has been adapted by Adura Onashile, Emily Keeler and Funmi Adewole.

'Soye's Skin' will be narrated by actor and dancer Funmi Adewole. The performance will include rhythms and songs from across West Africa as well as djembe drumming from Gilbert Scott Infant School with professional musicians from Sewa-education and dance performed by Atwood Primary School

Sewa-education is a registered charity number 1107049. They provide high quality African arts education programmes for schools and young people throughout the UK. Their aims are to develop musicianship, skills and understanding, generate achievement, engage and include all participants, and promote intercultural understanding. If you would like more information about their work or would like to make a donation, please contact Sewa-education through their website: www.sewa-education.org or call 020 8834 7213.

Funmi Adewole has toured with several companies including Horse and Bamboo Mask and Puppetry Company, Adzido Pan-African dance ensemble, and the Cholmondeleys dance company. She particularly enjoys performing in African dance drama and physical theatre productions.

Helen Bretherick is Croydon's Primary Music Consultant
Graeme Smith is Director of Croydon Music Service
Festival Organiser: David Wilcox, Head Teacher at The Hayes Primary School
Compère: Michael Brockett, Head Teacher at Downsview Primary School

The association is greatly indebted to its committee and to all the head teachers and teachers in the schools who give so generously of their own time to enable this event to take place. The association has a long history of around seventy years in the authority of providing musical opportunities for children. The association also organises two orchestral concerts a year for children to listen to live music in the Fairfield Hall. We are very grateful to Croydon Council for the financial support that it gives in order to help fund our activities. We are always looking for sponsors, and have just achieved charitable status. If you would like more information about how you could help financially, then please contact David Wilcox on 020 8660 4863.

Infant Festival Choir

Applegarth Infant
Ashburton Infant
Atwood Primary
Beulah Infant
Broadmead Infant
Coulston C of E Primary
Cypress Infant
Ecclesbourne Infant
Elmwood Infant
Fairchildes Primary
Gilbert Scott Infant
The Hayes Primary
Margaret Roper Primary

Parish Church Infant
Park Hill Infant
Ridgeway Primary
Roke Primary
Selsdon Primary
St. Chad's Primary
St. Giles
St. James the Great Primary
St. Mary's Infant
West Thornton Primary
Woodcote Infant
Woodside Infant

CDs of tonight's performance will be available via schools at £8 each

Please do not use flash photography as this distracts the children while they are performing

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