

Wells Cathedral • Sat 26th July 2025, 7pm

Summer Gold

Let Brass & Voices resound!

Somerset Chamber Choir Bones Apart & Friends

Rachael Parvin *soprano saxophone*

Simon Hogan *organ*

Andrea Brown *conductor*

JOHN RUTTER *Gloria*

JAMES WHITBOURN *'Son of God' Mass*

JAMES MacMILLAN
Summae Trinitati

GERALD FINZI
God is gone up

CECILIA McDOWALL
Ave Regina

PAUL MEALOR
Ubi Caritas



Box Office

Somersetchamberchoir.org - 0333 666 3366 (booking fee applies) - Taunton Visitor Centre

Tickets £10 - £30, under 16s half price

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Join us for a celebration of Sir John Rutter's 80th birthday year with a performance of his jubilant *Gloria*, a work filled with brass fireworks and joyful choral writing. Described as "*the most gifted composer of his generation*", Rutter's music captures hearts with its singable melodies and uplifting spirit.

This concert also features James Whitbourn's evocative *Son of God Mass*. Uniquely scored for choir, organ, and soprano saxophone, it has been described by Classic Today as '*a gem, a masterpiece*'. Compellingly written throughout, at times contemplative and mysterious, at others soaring and exuberant, the music is exceptionally moving and always sensitive to the texts.

There will be drama aplenty with brass and organ fanfares accompanying James MacMillan's *Summae Trinitati* and Gerald Finzi's *God is gone up* before works of peaceful reflection written by Paul Mealor and Cecilia McDowall.

Alongside the renowned Southwark Cathedral organist, Simon Hogan, the internationally acclaimed all-female trombone group - Bones Apart - will surely make this powerful programme sparkle as they lead a stellar handpicked brass ensemble.

**Don't miss this evening of outstanding great British music,
performed by one of the county's finest choirs and an
extraordinary gathering of world-class musicians!**

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