



# Classical Concert Series 11/12



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## Welcome to the 2011/12 Middlesbrough Classical Concert Series, bringing you the finest classical sounds from some of the worlds' greatest orchestras.

We are proud to bring you 7 wonderful concerts as part of our subscription series. Covering music by Beethoven, Mozart, Shostokovich, Rachmaninov and many more we hope our concerts have something for everyone. As well as visits from our International Orchestras and the world class Northern Sinfonia we are proud to welcome back the acclaimed Hallé. After 10 years away from the Town Hall we are excited to bring them back to close our 2011/12 season with a fabulous programme.

Additional to our subscription concerts we are delighted to bring you Northern Sinfonia with the premiere of David Golightly's colourful Middlesbrough Symphony as part of our special concert in celebration of the Transporter Bridge Centenary. See page 6 for full details.

Whether you are a regular attendee or a newcomer, we welcome you and hope you enjoy reading through what we have on offer. If you are not a subscriber be sure to check on our subscription offers to see how you could save up to 15% and receive exclusive offers on Page 8.

### Laura Hannaway

Business Development Manager, Middlesbrough Town Hall

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## TIM HUGH RECITAL CONCERT

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THURSDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2011

7.45PM

£8.00 CONC £6.00

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We are pleased to welcome the talented Cellist Tim Hugh to our classical season with an exciting evening of music. Following his success at the Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow Tim enjoys an international career as a soloist. He has since worked and recorded with many of the greatest conductors including Gergiev, Previn, Haitink, Sir Colin Davis, Sir Andrew Davis, Rostropovich, Menuhin, Harding, Xavier-Roth, Chung and Tortelier.

'Mr Hugh is more than just a Cellist, he is a musician with a compelling insight into the creative urge behind the notes'  
The Times



## MOSCOW PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

TUESDAY 4 OCTOBER 2011  
7.45PM

**Conductor:** Yuri Botnari  
**Soloist:** Nikita Boriso-Glebsky, violin

**GLINKA** Waltz Fantasy for Orchestra  
**TCHAIKOVSKY** Violin Concerto in D major  
**MUSSORGSKY** Pictures at an Exhibition



To open our new season we are delighted to welcome back the world-famous Moscow Philharmonic Orchestra. This celebrated orchestra was founded in 1960 and ever since then has been thrilling audiences across the world with their definitive interpretations of the Russian classics. Our programme tonight opens with Glinka's enchanting Waltz Fantasy for Orchestra. Nikita Boriso-Glebsky, who has recently made a great impression in European musical circles, will perform Tchaikovsky's romantic violin concerto. In the second half the orchestra will perform Mussorgsky's grandiose Pictures at an Exhibition which, with its enormous orchestral forces, always makes a most dramatic impact on audiences.

## WARSAW PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

THURSDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2011  
7.45PM

**Conductor:** Antoni Wit  
**Soloist:** Kuba Jakowicz, violin

**MONIUSZKO** Overture to the opera Paria  
**MENDELSSOHN** Violin Concerto in E minor  
**GÓRECKI** Three Pieces in the Old Style  
**BEETHOVEN** Symphony no. 5

The Warsaw Philharmonic return to the Town Hall under their music director Antoni Wit, with the outstanding violinist Kuba Jakowicz, who made such an impression on his previous visit. The programme will start with a delightful overture from the 19th Century Polish composer Moniuszko which will be followed by a performance of Mendelssohn's much-loved Violin Concerto. The second half opens with Górecki's Three Pieces in the Old Style. Henryk Górecki (famous for his 3rd Symphony) died a year ago and we are very pleased to open the second half of the programme with this elegiac work performed in his memory. The concert will end with Beethoven's elemental 5th Symphony.



## NORTHERN SINFONIA

WEDNESDAY 14 DECEMBER 2011  
7.45PM

**Conductor:** Thierry Fischer  
**Soloist:** Imogen Cooper, piano

**STRAVINSKY** Suite: The Soldier's Tale  
**RAVEL** Piano Concerto in G major  
**BEETHOVEN** Symphony No.4 in B flat Op.60

In the second of three visits this season by Northern Sinfonia, this performance will be conducted by the distinguished Swiss conductor Thierry Fischer, in a programme including Stravinsky's groundbreaking suite from *The Soldier's Tale*. This will be followed by a performance by one of Britain's leading musicians, Imogen Cooper, playing Ravel's G major Concerto with its rhapsodic slow movement and jazz-inspired outer movements. The evening will end with Beethoven's 4th Symphony, encapsulating freshness and love of life.



## RUSSIAN STATE PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

THURSDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2012  
7.45PM

**Conductor:** Valery Poliansky  
**Soloist:** Tatyana Polianskaya, piano

**TCHAIKOVSKY** Coronation March  
**TCHAIKOVSKY** Piano Concerto No. 2  
**RACHMANINOV** Symphony No.2

We are delighted to welcome the second of our Russian orchestras this season - the Russian State Philharmonic under their music director Valery Poliansky. In a first half comprising works by Tchaikovsky, the concert will open with his grand Coronation March to be followed by the Second Piano Concerto, which will be performed by the conductor's daughter, Tatyana Polianskaya. After the interval we will have a chance to hear Rachmaninov's glorious Symphony No.2, which many music lovers regard as his very greatest work.



## NORTHERN SINFONIA

TUESDAY 6 MARCH 2012  
7.45PM

Director: Bradley Creswick  
Soloist: Michael Gerrard, viola

MENDELSSOHN Octet in E-flat major  
MOZART Sinfonia Concertante in  
E-flat major, K364

MOZART Symphony No. 39 in E-flat  
major, K543

The last of Northern Sinfonia's programmes includes Mendelssohn's youthfully exuberant E-flat Octet, which the composer wrote at the age of 16. This will be followed by the orchestra's leader Bradley Creswick and the leader of the viola section Michael Gerrard, as the soloists in Mozart's ravishing Sinfonia Concertante. The programme will end with Mozart's Symphony No.39 with its touching sense of poignancy.



## BERLIN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

WEDNESDAY 23 MAY 2012  
7.45PM

Conductor: Mario Venzago  
Soloist: Kit Armstrong, piano

BEETHOVEN Egmont Overture  
MOZART Piano Concerto No. 21 in C major  
K467

BEETHOVEN Symphony No.3 in E flat major  
Op.55 (Eroica)

We are pleased to welcome one of Europe's most distinguished orchestras, the Berlin Symphony Orchestra. Resident orchestra in Berlin's famous Konzerthaus and a specialist in the Classical repertoire, their programme includes Beethoven's dramatic Egmont Overture and perhaps Mozart's most popular piano concerto, the one known as the Elvira Madigan, giving us the chance to hear the outstanding young Chinese-American pianist. In the second half, the orchestra will perform Beethoven's mighty Symphony No.3.



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## HALLÉ

WEDNESDAY 13 JUNE 2012  
7.45PM

**Conductor:** Andrew Gourlay, conductor  
**Soloists:** Martin Roscoe, piano  
Gareth Small, trumpet  
Sarah Fox, soprano

**Mozart** Overture, Don Giovanni  
**Shostakovich** Concerto No.1 for piano,  
trumpet and strings  
**Mahler** Symphony No.4 in G

It is ten years since the Hallé last appeared at the Town Hall, since then, the oldest orchestra in the country has been enjoying a 'golden age', with a host of accolades and awards. Andrew

Gourlay, winner of the prestigious Cadaques International Conducting Competition, brings Mozart, Shostakovich and Mahler, whose wonderfully lyrical Fourth Symphony gives us visions of life and death, purgatory and, finally, of heaven, through the eyes of a child and the voice of North Yorkshire soprano Sarah Fox. Martin Roscoe and Gareth Small are the soloists in Shostakovich's spiky and scintillating First Piano Concerto. A flash of Mozart's graphic image of Don Giovanni's colourful life and death raises the curtain on what promises to be an unforgettable evening.



## TRANSPORTER BRIDGE CENTENARY CONCERT FEATURING MIDDLESBROUGH SYMPHONY BY DAVID GOLIGHTLY

THURSDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2011  
7.45PM  
£25; CONC £22.50 - AVAILABLE MID AUGUST

**Conductor:** Tim Redmond  
**DAVID GOLIGHTLY** Middlesbrough Symphony  
**STRAVINSKY** The Firebird: Suite  
**ELGAR** Cello Concerto in E minor,  
Op. 85

Join us for this wonderful concert in celebration of the Transporter Bridge. An extended Northern Sinfonia join us to present a superb evening of classical music inspired by the centenary.

The 'Middlesbrough' Symphony was written by local composer David Golightly and will be performed live for the first time. As an ardent supporter of Middlesbrough Football club Golightly's colourful symphony depicts the highs and lows of the beautiful game.



## INDIVIDUAL TICKET PRICES

	Full	Concession
AREA X	£24.00	£22.50
AREA Y	£21.00	£19.50
AREA Z	£16.50	£15.00
Main Hall x-z	£12.50	£11.50
GALLERY	£18.00	£16.50

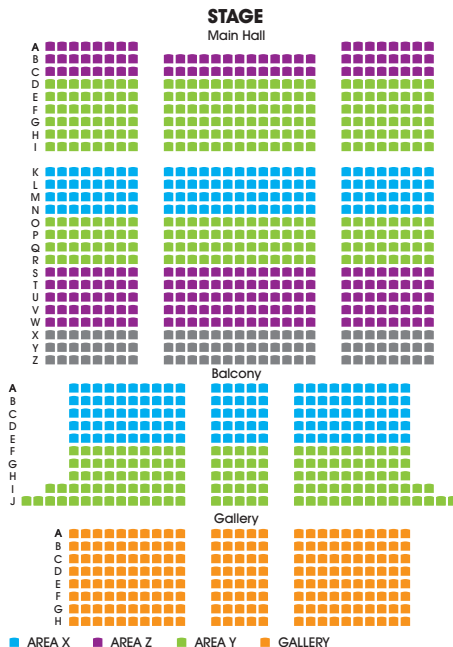
**Concessions:** The concession price applies to over 60's, children, those in full time education and persons in receipt of certain state benefits

**Schools:** £3 each for groups of 10+ Plus one teacher free

**Students:** A week before the concert we may release a number of tickets priced at £8. Proof of study would be needed

**Family Ticket:**

£18 Area Z or £26 Area X (one adult and two children)  
£35 Area Z or £45 Area X (two adults and two children)  
Children aged 16 or under



## SUBSCRIPTION PACKAGES

Becoming a subscriber gives you access to some great savings on our orchestral concerts and opens up a range of exciting offers. For full details on the exclusive offers see page 8. It couldn't be easier, you can visit [www.middlesbrough.gov.uk/entertainment](http://www.middlesbrough.gov.uk/entertainment) to download a subscriptions booking form or call the box office on 01642 729 729.

Subscription renewals until Friday 9 September

General sale: Monday 5 September

## FOUR CONCERT PACKAGE

Choose any 4 concerts and save 10%

	Full	Concession
AREA X	£86.00	£81.00
AREA Y	£75.50	£70.00
AREA Z	£59.00	£54.00
GALLERY	£64.50	£59.00

## SEVEN CONCERT PACKAGE

Choose all 7 concerts and save 15%

	Full	Concession
AREA X	£142.50	£133.50
AREA Y	£124.50	£116.00
AREA Z	£98.00	£89.00
GALLERY	£107.00	£98.00

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## EXCLUSIVE OFFERS FOR SUBSCRIBERS

Taking out a subscription couldn't be easier and enables you to access some exclusive offers. Why not take out a Subscription and take advantage of a range of benefits on this page.

### TICKET BENEFITS

- Save 10% when you book 4 concerts
- Save 15% when you book all 7 concerts
- Priority booking for seats
- Two interest free payments available for subscribers
- Retain your seat for each concert series.

### TIM HUGH RECITAL CONCERT

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THURSDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2011

We are happy to bring you another free recital concert featuring the fabulous cellist Tim Hugh. See page 2 for the full programme.

### ORCHESTRAS OF THE WORLD COMPETITION

Free Prize draw to receive one night's hotel accommodation and a pair of free tickets to one of these exclusive concerts.

This season we can offer a choice of two concerts - choose from:

### CNSO

Thursday 20 October 2011  
London: Cadogan Hall  
Conductor: Libor Pesek  
Soloist: Nicola Benedetti, violin

Featuring a programme of Schubert, Mozart and Dvořák.



### ST PETERSBURG PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

Sunday 1 April 2012  
Manchester: Bridgewater Hall  
Conductor: Yuri Temirkanov  
Soloist: Dmitri Alexeev, piano

Featuring a programme of Prokofiev, Tchaikovsky and Shostakovich.

### REFER A FRIEND

We want you to pass on your passion for classical music to a new audience, which is why we are continuing our Refer a Friend scheme. Just let us know the contact details of the person you are referring and they will receive 2 FREE tickets for one concert. Whoever you refer will help us to secure the next generation of classical fans.

### SPECIAL TICKET OFFERS

Subscribe to all seven concerts and get the chance to receive two FREE tickets for selected concerts for anyone under the age 16. Also be the first to hear about special offers on concerts that we feel you would be interested in.

## TICKET DETAILS

### INDIVIDUAL CONCERT TICKETS

Single tickets for all concerts will be available from the Town Hall Box Office, Albert Road, Middlesbrough from Monday 5 September 2011.

### BOX OFFICE OPENING HOURS:

Monday - Wednesday: 10am - 5pm  
 Thursday: 10am-8pm  
 Friday: 10am-4.30pm  
 Saturday: 9am-1.30pm  
 On performance nights 1 hour before a performance starts

**By Phone:** Telephone 01642 729729 or 815181 to buy your tickets with any of the major credit/debit cards. There is an additional charge of £1 per ticket by card.

**In Person:** Call into the Box Office at Middlesbrough Town Hall where our friendly staff will be able to help you with ticket bookings plus all other enquiries or you can book your ticket for the Classical Concerts at Middlesbrough Theatre. Card payments will incur a £1 transaction fee.

**By Post:** Write to the Box Office, PO Box 69, Middlesbrough, TS1 2QQ stating the concert and ticket choice. Cheques and Postal Orders should be crossed and made payable to MBC. Please write your cheque guarantee number and the name of the concert on the back of the cheque, including a daytime telephone number. The tickets will be posted to you. An additional charge will be made for this service.

**Refunds:** Unfortunately tickets cannot be exchanged or money refunded, except in the event of a cancelled performance.

The management reserves the right to alter the advertised artistes or programme if necessary. All details are correct at the time of going to press.

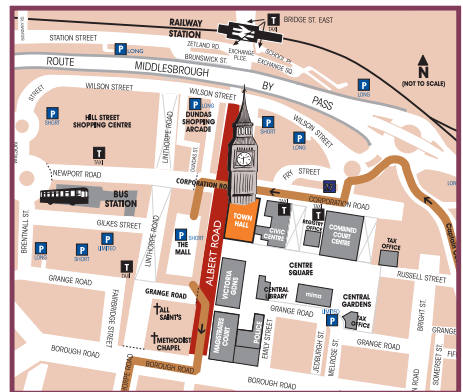
### PATROLLED CAR PARKING - ESPECIALLY FOR CLASSICAL CONCERTS

We have arranged for the night car park to be available for each Concert for a charge of £1.20 per night. It is situated at Gurney Street car park (access from Wilson Street). This car park is patrolled between 6.30pm and 10.30pm.

Middlesbrough Town Hall, Albert Road, Middlesbrough, TS1 2QQ

Website:

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## SOMETHING FOR THE KIDS

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Live classical music can provide an awe-inspiring educational opportunity for children and young people. This year we have a host of exciting new opportunities designed for young people and teachers to take part in, from concerts to participatory workshops that will help develop an understanding of classical music.

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## WINTER WONDERINGS

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THURSDAY 1 DECEMBER 2011

1.30PM

SUITABLE FOR: 3 – 11 YEARS KEY STAGE

1/LOWER KEY STAGE 2

£3; £4 WITH A WORKSHOP

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Winter Wonderings is a touring musical performance for primary aged children. The star of the show is a puppet called Shula; a 'squiggle' who lives in a magical winter wood where all the fairy tales take place. The audience travels with her into those stories and help her to ponder some tricky issues about friendship, feelings, trust, and the rights and wrongs of 'collecting' other people's belongings...



For Workshops please contact our Audience Development Officer on 01642 729653.

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## SCHOOLS

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We are always pleased to play host to schools and community groups and have devised an accessible ticket price to keep costs down.

Groups of 10+ can purchase tickets for the classical series for just £3 each.

All children attending a classical concert will receive a general classical music resource pack, which will help prepare young people for attendance to a full classical concert, it will help manage their expectations and answer any questions they may have about classical music.

OPERA DELLA LUNA PRESENTS

## THE GHOSTS OF RUDDIGORE

THURSDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2011

7.30PM

£16.50; CONC £15.00

Gilbert & Sullivan meets Rocky Horror as Opera della Luna revisit Ruddigore in their own unique style. Following the company's innovative productions of HMS Pinafore and The Parson's Pirates the company turns its hand to this popular classic. Ghosts and apparitions take to the stage in a quite literally haunting tale of rural romance. This cleverly re-imagined production features all the well-loved songs but this is G&S as you have never seen or heard it before!

'Ensemble playing at its best' - Evening Standard



MIDDLESBROUGH THEATRE PRESENTS

## OPERA BOX WITH A VIENNESE WHIRL

FRIDAY 20 JANUARY 2012

7.30PM

**£14/CONCESSIONS £12.**

**EARLY BIRD SAVER – BOOK AND PAY FOR YOUR TICKETS BY NOVEMBER 30 – PAY £10.**

This captivating production, evoking the magic and music of Vienna will transport you to the banks of the dreamy Danube River. Enjoy an evening of enchanting song and soaring violin melodies from some of the most popular Viennese composers.

Echoing the wonderful voices of the era and including songs by Richard Tauber, A Viennese Whirl features music by Kreisler, Lehar, Kalman and Johann Strauss.

A great cast of tenor, soprano and orchestral quartet has been assembled for this amusing and entertaining evening hosted by the charismatic Artistic Director of Opera Box, Brendan Wheatley, who introduces the music of the Viennese greats in his own inimitable style.

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# 2011/12 SEASON DIARY

## SEPTEMBER

Mon 5	Public booking opens	
Fri 9	Subscription renewals close	
Thurs 15	Transporter Bridge	7.45pm
	Centenary Concert: Featuring the Middlesbrough Symphony	
Thursday 29	Tim Hugh Recital	7.45pm

## OCTOBER

Tues 4	Moscow Philharmonic Orchestra	7.45pm
	Pre Concert Performance	7.10pm

## NOVEMBER

Thurs 3	Opera Della Luna present The Ghosts of Ruddigore	7.30pm
Thurs 17	Warsaw Philharmonic Orchestra	7.45pm
	Pre Concert Performance	7.10pm

## DECEMBER

Thurs 1	Winter Wonderings	1.30pm
Wed 14	Northern Sinfonia	7.45pm
	Pre Concert Performance	7.10pm

## JANUARY

Fri 20	Opera Box present A Viennese Whirl at Middlesbrough Theatre	7.30pm
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## FEBRUARY

Thurs 9	Russian State Philharmonic Orchestra	7.45pm
	Pre Concert Performance	7.10pm

## MARCH

Tues 6	Northern Sinfonia	7.45pm
	Pre Concert Performance	7.10pm

## MAY

Wed 23	Berlin Symphony Orchestra	7.45pm
	Pre Concert Performance	7.10pm

## JUNE

Wed 13	Hallé	7.45pm
	Pre Concert Performance	7.10pm



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آپ کی درخواست پر اسے بریل یا موٹے الفاظ میں بھی فراہم کیا جاسکے گا

سوف نحاول ان نجعل ملخص هذه الوثيقة متوفرة بلغات اخرى، الابرن وكتابة  
كبيرة عند الطلب.



Northern Sinfonia

