

# **Festive Family Concert**



Saturday 11 December 2021 St Mary's Church, Banbury

**Programme Free** 



# **Concert Dates for Your Diary**

# Spring Concert Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Overture to *Hansel and Gretel* – Humperdinck Symphonic Fantasia, *The Tempest* – Tchaikovsky Symphony No.2 – Sibelius

7.30 pm – Deddington Church

# Banbury Symphony Orchestra Summer Concert Saturday 9th July 2022

Concierto de Aranjuez – Rodrigo Soloist: Craig Ogden St Mary's Church, Banbury

**Tickets from** 

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#### Welcome to St. Mary's Church, Banbury

Christmas is always a special time. This year it's even more special, since the Banbury Symphony Orchestra returns once more to St. Mary's Church with a Festive Family Concert!

We're delighted to be playing **The Snowman** for you this afternoon. Unbelievably it's over 40 years since the wonderful picture book first appeared, followed in short order by the animated television film. It has captivated generations of children – and adults! – ever since.

The rest of our programme is packed full of festive tunes, including a Carol Symphony, Christmas Movie music and Rudolf the Red-Nosed Reindeer. You'll find the words in the programme so that you can sing along!

Merry Christmas & A Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New Year!

Ian McCubbin

Chair, Banbury Symphony Orchestra



### **Programme**

Carols marked \* are for audience participation; please sing along!

### 'Adeste Fideles' from A Carol Symphony

Victor Hely-Hutchinson

#### The Snowman

Narrator: Jonathan Rowe

Soloist: Caroline Humphrys

#### Interval

(Refreshments available)

'Here We Come A Wassailing' from A Carol Symphony
Victor Hely-Hutchinson

Let it Snow! Let it Snow! Let it Snow!

Rudolf the Red-Nosed Reindeer\*

Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas

The First Nowell\*

Sleigh Ride

Hark! The Herald-Angels Sing\*

**Merry Christmas Everybody** 

# Rudolf the Red-Nosed Reindeer

#### **Johnny Marks**

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer Had a very shiny nose And if you ever saw it You would even say it glows.

All of the other reindeer
Used to laugh and call him names
They never let poor Rudolph
Join in any reindeer games.

Then one foggy Christmas Eve Santa came to say: "Rudolph with your nose so bright, Won't you guide my sleigh tonight?"

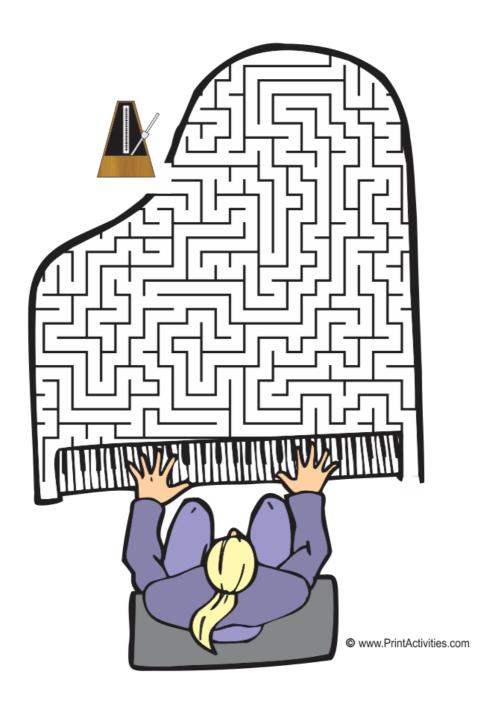
Then how the reindeer loved him As they shouted out with glee: "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, You'll go down in history!"

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#### The First Nowell

English trad. arr. Willcocks

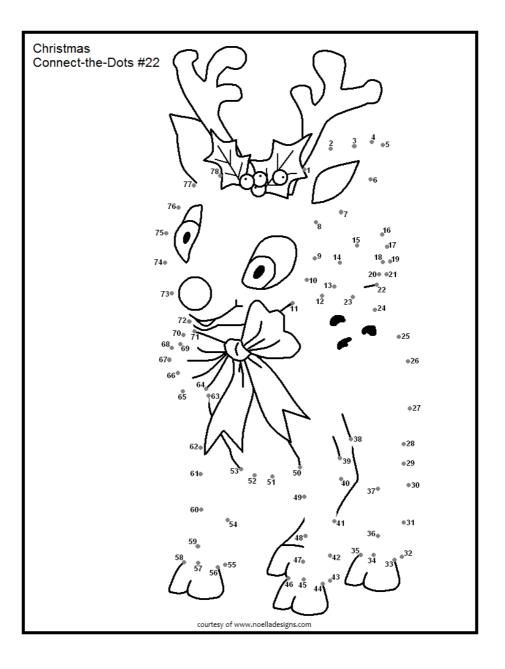
The first Nowell the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay, keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
Born is the King of Israel!

They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the east, beyond them far;
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night:
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
Born is the King of Israel!

And by the light of that same star,
Three wise men came from country far;
To seek for a king was their intent,
And to follow the star wherever it went:
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
Born is the King of Israel!

Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heav'nly Lord,
That hath made Heav'n and earth of naught,
And with his blood mankind hath bought:
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
Born is the King of Israel!





# Hark! The Herald-Angels Sing

Mendelssohn arr. Willcocks

Hark! the herald-angels sing Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled: Joyful all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies, With th'angelic host proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem. Hark! the herald-angels sing Glory to the newborn King.

Christ, by highest heav'n adored,
Christ the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold him come
Offspring of a Virgin's womb:
Veiled in flesh the God-head see,
Hail th'incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald-angels sing
Glory to the newborn King.

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Ris'n with healing in His wings;
Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.
Hark! the herald-angels sing
Glory to the newborn King.





# Christmas



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**CHRISTMAS** 

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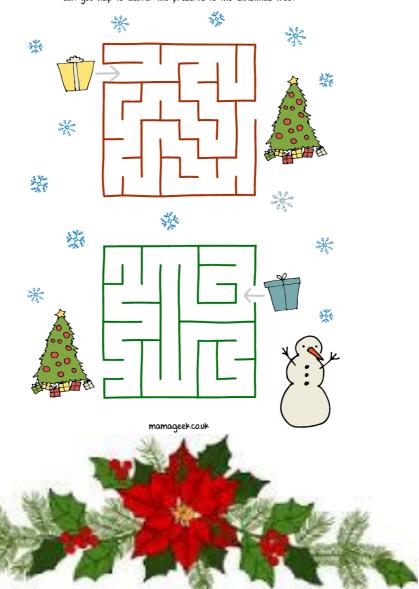
DECEMBER ELVES FAMILY LIGHTS PRESENTS REINDEER RUDOLF SANTA CLAUS SILENTNIGHT SNOWMAN TREE



# Christmas Mazes



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All rehearsals take place in Banbury in term time on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30pm.