



# Music in Bosham

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October, 6pm  
Holy Trinity Church

*Cello Recital*



Professor Laura Ritchie, Cello  
Ben Lathbury, Piano

Admission Free  
Donations Accepted

# **Programme**

**Cello Concerto No.1 in C major, Hob. VIIb/1**

i. Moderato

ii. Adagio

iii. Allegro molto

*J. Haydn (1732-1809)*

**Élégie, Op.24**

*G. Fauré (1845-1924)*

**Spiegel im Spiegel**

*A. Pärt (b.1935)*

**Blackbird**

*P. McCartney (b.1942)*

# Meet the Artists

## Professor Laura Ritchie, Cello

**Professor Laura Ritchie** is Professor of Learning and Teaching at the *University of Chichester*, a cellist, psychologist, author, and TEDx speaker. Her book 'Yes I Can' is all about positivity and seeing possibilities in the everyday. Laura's work spans performing, teaching, developing curricula, and innovations like 'SeeDegree' - her online holistic assessment system for education and businesses, and 'Resonance' - an up and coming app to visualise music with cymatics.

Laura studied with Hans Jensen in Chicago and Steve Doane at the *Royal College of Music*. She teaches all ages, has led cello events in Chichester for 25 years, and founded the 'Encore' Chichester Community Orchestra in 2016.



## Ben Lathbury, Piano

**Ben Lathbury** is an award-winning musician, from the Midlands. Following early success in numerous competitions, Ben moved to Sussex in 2006 to study at the *University of Chichester Conservatoire*, where he established himself as a pianist of considerable talent.

In 2009, Ben received a scholarship to fund his Master's degree in Music Performance, studying with international pianist Jonathan Plowright. Since its completion, Ben has won numerous competitions, given dozens of solo recitals and has appeared as a special guest soloist with orchestras across the UK. He has been recognised as a champion of 20th century American repertoire; his interpretation of Leroy Anderson's Concerto in C garnered critical acclaim and his performances of Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue earned him a nomination for Best Classical Act in the 2017 Guide Awards and have been hailed as "magnificent".

In addition to his talent as a pianist, Ben is widely respected as a choral conductor, organist, singer and teacher. He is Director of Music at *Holy Trinity Church* in Bosham, Musical Director for a number of local choral groups, and founder and Artistic Director of the *Music in Bosham* recital series. He was a founder teacher of *Chichester Free School*, where he taught as Head of Performing Arts for four years and has also taught at the *University of Chichester Conservatoire* as an associate lecturer in piano.

Ben's day job as a software engineer for an entertainment technology company complements his music career nicely, and in his spare time, he enjoys running, theatre and quizzes.

Many thanks for supporting this evening's performance. We hope that you enjoyed your time at Holy Trinity Church and look forward to welcoming you again.

*Music in Bosham* returns on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 6pm. In a somewhat last minute schedule change, we look forward to welcoming select students from the *University of Chichester Conservatoire*, who will be giving us 'A Night at the Opera'. We hope to see you there.

For further information on *Music in Bosham* events, or for any other enquiries or comments, please contact *Music in Bosham's* Artistic Director Ben Lathbury:

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