

CONCERT PROGRAMMES

These concerts will feature music from a variety of genres and are a culmination of the work SFE has been doing in schools and at ensemble centres throughout 2024.

There is something joyous about young people coming together to perform music and song and at no time is this more apparent than our annual Festive Concerts. I know we are in for a real treat as the next generation of talented musicians and singers from Birmingham schools perform on stage.

For many of the children taking part, this will be their first concert with one of our 113 ensembles. They follow in the footsteps of thousands of Birmingham school children who have performed both in the city and further afield. Last month for instance, our Raga and Tala Ensemble represented Birmingham at the Music for Youth Proms at London's Royal Albert Hall: a showcase of talent from across the country bringing together 1,500 young people.

For me, tonight is especially significant. I joined Services For Education in September. Since then I have been astonished and impressed by the commitment of school children, our music tutors, Birmingham schools and our partners including Arts Council England and, especially relevant tonight, the Ruddock Performing Arts Centre.

Tonight's Festive Concert celebrates not only the time of the year but their achievements also. I hope everyone – performers, audiences and organisers – have a wonderful evening.

Seasons greetings,

Richard Mabbott

Head of Music Service

[Programme details](#)

Saturday 14th December 2024 – 7.00pm

Ruddock Performing Arts Centre [Map](#)

Compere – Paul Douglas

Birmingham Schools' Recorder Sinfonia

Services For Education

Conductor: Michelle Holloway

Jingle Bells	arr. Steve Marshall
Medieval Triptych	arr Annabel Knight
O, Little Town of Midwinter	Steve Marshall
Variations on a Seasonal Theme	Ivan Moseley

Birmingham Schools' Raga and Tala Ensemble

Leaders: Gurdeep Singh-Dharni and Harjinder Singh Matharu

Raga Pilu Gat – Kaharawa Taal	arr. Gurdeep Singh-Dharni and Harjinder Singh Matharu
Raga Mishra Pilu Gat – Kaharva Taal	arr. Gurdeep Singh-Dharni and Harjinder Singh Matharu
Raga Bilawal Gat – Dadra Taal	arr. Gurdeep Singh-Dharni and Harjinder Singh Matharu
Jhala & Jugalbani – Raga Pilu in Drut Teentaal	arr. Gurdeep Singh-Dharni and Harjinder Singh Matharu

Birmingham Schools' Training Brass Band

Conductor: David Taylor

Highlights From <i>Jurassic Park</i>	John Williams arr. Vinson
Crimond (Cornet and Horn Duet)	Traditional arr. Paul Douglas
Livin' On a Prayer	Bon Jovi arr. Alan Fernie
Jingle Bell Boogie	arr. Matt Kingston

INTERVAL

Birmingham Schools' Guitar Ensemble

Conductor: Nick Chamberlain

Frevo	Jurg Kindle
Jamboree	Celso Machado
Diablo Rojo	Rodrigo Sánchez and Gabriela Quintero arr. Nick Chamberlain

Birmingham Schools' String Sinfonia

Conductor: William Cheung

Featured Soloists:

(Violin) Hannah Stubbs, Hellen Du, Anand Toon, Yusuf Sultan-Qurayshi
(Cello) Yudi Zhao

Services For Education

Concerto Grosso in G minor Op.6 No.8

'Christmas'

I. Vivace – Grave

II. Allegro

III. Adagio – Allegro – Adagio

IV. Vivace

V. Allegro

VI. Largo 'Pastorale'

Arcangelo Corelli

List of ensembles and schools playing tonight

Birmingham Schools' Recorder Sinfonia

Birmingham Schools' Raga & Tala

Birmingham Schools' Training Brass Band

Birmingham Schools' Guitar Ensemble

Birmingham Schools' String Sinfonia.

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Programme details

Sunday 15th December 2023 – 6.00pm

Compere – Richard Mabbott

Birmingham Schools' Guitar Sinfonia

Conductor: Adam Hickman

La Cumparsita

Paysage Iberique

Viva La Vida

G.M Rodriguez

Luc Levesque

Coldplay – Guy Berryman, Jon Buckland, Will Champion and Chris Martin

Birmingham Schools' Double Reed Ensemble

Conductor: Lesley Morson

Molly on the Shore

White Christmas

Way Too Much Christmas

Percy Grainger arr. Alvin Tran

Irving Berlin arr. A Cooper

arr. Adreian Adarlo

Birmingham Schools' Jazz Band

Conductor: Ashley Buxton

Dance the Night

Saturday Night Fever Medley

Night in Tunisia

Dua Lipa, Caroline Ailin, Andrew Wyatt and Mark Robson

arr. Nestico

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INTERVAL

Birmingham Schools' Singers

Conductor: Thomas Lenthall

Golden Slumbers/Carry That Weight
Christmas Dance

Sing

John Lennon & Paul McCartney arr. Mac Huff

Darren Criss arr. Mac Huff

Mitchell Grassi, Scott Hoying, Kevin Olusola,
Martin Johnson & Sam Hollander. arr. Mark
Brymer

Birmingham Schools' Brass Band

Conductor: Saphran Ali

Blaze Away!

A. Holzmann

Services For Education

Pirates of the Caribbean

The Water of Tyne

Instant Christmas

Klaus Badelt arr. Ted Ricketts/John Blanken

Traditional arr. Philip Harper

arr. Bruce Fraser

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