The Giltspur Singers

Conductor: Dr Christopher Maxim

Concert at

The Chapel of Gray's Inn

Thursday, 20th October 2005, 6.45pm

PROGRAMME

Three sacred pieces Thomas Tallis (c.1505-1585)

> O nata lux If ye love me Salvator mundi

Who shall have my lady fair? Robert Pearsall (1795-1856)

An old romance Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Three Shakespeare songs Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

> Full fathom five *The cloud-capp'd towers* Over hill, over dale

My love dwelt in a Northern land Sir Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

Summer is gone Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875-1912)

Three pastoral partsongs Christopher Maxim (2004)

> Over the hill JOHN KEATS

ALFRED, LORD TENNYSON Requiescat

Great things THOMAS HARDY

The Giltspur Singers

...were formed in the autumn of 2003. They take their name from Giltspur Street, which leads up to the entrance of the church where they rehearse: St Bartholomewthe-Less, inside the grounds of St Bartholomew's Hospital in the City of London.

The members of the choir are professionals in a wide range of careers, including the law, finance, teaching, medicine, the entertainment industry, and I.T. Some are music graduates and several are church organists; but, for the majority, music has always been a hobby. It is the sense of music as a source of relaxation and enjoyment that the Giltspur Singers hope to communicate in their performances.

Sopranos

Amy Gooden, Antonia Mott, Elisabeth Somerville, Katy Turner, Elise Wylie

Altos

Ian Goddard, Kirsty Payne

Tenors

Simon Daniels, Chris Goodwin, Robin McCoubrey

Basses

Duncan Atkinson, Tim Murray, Richard Salmon, Nick Whitehead

Christopher Maxim: Conductor

... was Organ Scholar and an academic prizewinner at Bristol University. He gained his Ph.D. at Cardiff, where he held a Research Studentship. After a few years as a lecturer, he moved to London. He is an Assistant Director of Bishop Challoner Catholic Collegiate School and Organist of St Matthew's, Bethnal Green. He has a broad conducting experience, but specialises in choral music (including works with orchestra) and liturgical performance. He is a published composer, academic and critic. He has broadcast on Radio 4, the World Service and Radio Wales; and he recently appeared on Teachers' TV.

If you would like to join the Giltspur Singers or if you would like to hear about future concerts...

please contact the Choir Administrator, Tim Murray on tim.murray@lane.co.uk, or call him on 020 7539 4146.