



The Winkleigh Singers

Hon. Patron: Richard Stilgoe OBE
Musical Director: Roland Smith

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"The Winkleigh Singers, conducted by Roland Smith, created a mood that was suitably serious, yet full of joy."

"A superb concert!"

"...these amateur singers succeeded in getting over every nuance of the score and in giving the work a showing of which any professional choir would be proud."

North Devon Journal

"...the vibrato free sound of the orchestra was matched beautifully with transparent, accurate and at times powerful chorus work"

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Come and join us now!

The Winkleigh singers currently have vacancies in all four parts. We rehearse in Winkleigh on Monday evenings from 8.00pm until 10.00pm except public holidays, the time between our Christmas concert and New Year's Day and the month of August.

We usually give three major concerts each year, one in Winkleigh just before Christmas and the two others usually being in Torrington (late March/early April) and Barnstaple (July). These concerts are well established and attract good audiences.

There is no audition but a good standard of sight-reading and tuning, a pleasant voice with the ability to blend, and a positive attitude towards creating high quality music is required. Prospective members are warmly invited to join us for a three week trial period and, if that works out OK, membership is then confirmed.

Members are expected to commit to all rehearsals, but we appreciate that this is not always possible – therefore, we require members to attend 80% of rehearsals. The rehearsals immediately prior to a concert are obligatory. There is also the expectation that members work on their music scores at home to minimise time spent learning notes at rehearsals – this helps to avoid too much repetition during rehearsals and makes time to put a real 'polish' on the music.

MEMBERSHIP

The annual subscription (September to July inclusive at 2009/10 rates) for full membership is extremely good value at £40.00 or £15.00 for each "term" (for full time students and under 21s there is no charge for membership).

HOW TO APPLY

Please **contact us using the form** or write to Peter Howard, Orchard House, Exeter Road, Winkleigh, Devon, EX19 8HW giving:

- your name, address telephone number and e-mail address
- your date of birth if under 21
- a brief description of your most relevant singing experience so far (for example, names of other choirs you have sung with)
- the voice part you sing: soprano, alto, tenor or bass

We look forward to meeting you,

