

# Thames Valley Early Music Forum

## Dulcissima Maria Marian motets of the Spanish Golden Age

A workshop for singers  
directed by Dr David Allinson

Sunday 14th November 2021  
at the Drake Hall, Amersham Community Centre,  
Chiltern Avenue, Amersham Bucks HP6 5AH  
10am for 10.30 until 5pm

In Western Europe in the late fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, devotion to Mary, mother of Jesus, reached new heights - and nowhere with greater fervour than in Spain. For this one day workshop David Allinson will explore motets by Morales, Guerrero and Victoria. The polyphony is blissfully expressive, and should provide 'food for the soul' as we come together following months without singing together.

As ever, repertoire depends on the precise forces signing up, but David hopes to include some or all of the following pieces:

Guerrero, *Dulcissima Maria* a4

[https://www.uma.es/victoria/guerrero/pdf/Guerrero-Dulcissima\\_Maria.pdf](https://www.uma.es/victoria/guerrero/pdf/Guerrero-Dulcissima_Maria.pdf)

Victoria, *Sancta Maria succurre miseris* a4

[https://www.uma.es/victoria/pdf/Sancta\\_Maria\\_Succurre\\_Miseris.pdf](https://www.uma.es/victoria/pdf/Sancta_Maria_Succurre_Miseris.pdf)

Victoria, *Alma redemptoris mater* a5 SATTB

[https://www.cpdl.org/wiki/images/8/8e/No46-Alma\\_Redemptoris\\_Mater.pdf](https://www.cpdl.org/wiki/images/8/8e/No46-Alma_Redemptoris_Mater.pdf)

Guerrero, *Trahe me post te* a5 SSATB

[https://www.uma.es/victoria/guerrero/pdf/Guerrero-Trahe\\_Me\\_Post\\_Te.pdf](https://www.uma.es/victoria/guerrero/pdf/Guerrero-Trahe_Me_Post_Te.pdf)

Morales, *Regina Caeli* a6 SSAATB

[https://www.uma.es/victoria/morales/pdf/Morales-Regina\\_Caeli\\_Laetare-a\\_6.pdf](https://www.uma.es/victoria/morales/pdf/Morales-Regina_Caeli_Laetare-a_6.pdf)

Morales, *Exaltata sancta Dei genitrix* a6 SSAATB

[https://www.uma.es/victoria/morales/pdf/Morales-Exaltata\\_Est\\_Sancta\\_Dei\\_Genitrix.pdf](https://www.uma.es/victoria/morales/pdf/Morales-Exaltata_Est_Sancta_Dei_Genitrix.pdf)

Printed copies of the scores will be provided on the day, so if you are going to print your own in advance or use a tablet please let us know to avoid wasted paper. David will allocate 1st and 2nd parts on the day but please be prepared to be flexible about moving between parts if there is an imbalance in the ensemble.

Amersham Community Centre is only a few minutes' walk from Amersham station (Metropolitan and Chiltern lines). Turn right out of the station and follow the road round past the new Chiltern Lifestyle Centre. The Community Centre is on the right almost immediately after the pedestrian crossing, and the hall is in the building on the right at the back of the car park, almost opposite the entrance. Parking is free at the Community Centre, and probably in the council office car park, but things keep changing during the building works. There are shops and cafés within walking distance but you may prefer to bring your own lunch. **We will not be supplying tea or coffee this time so please bring all your own refreshments.**

The fee is £16 for Early Music Forum members and £20 for non-members. Places are limited so please apply online as soon as possible, with the following link [BOOK HERE](#) and pay by electronic transfer to TVEMF a/c no. 00691902, s/c 30-94-28 giving DA and your surname as the reference. Bookings are for TVEMF members only for the first two days, and close on 8th November. For possible late booking after this date please contact Simone Theiss [Simone.Theiss@tvemf.org](mailto:Simone.Theiss@tvemf.org) or text 07750 49369. In the unlikely event that there is a place available after the closing date you will need to print your own music. We will let you know by email in due course if your application has been accepted or we need to put you on a waiting list. If you are unable to attend, please let Simone know as soon as possible so your place can be offered to someone else. If you have a question about your payment please contact David King [treasurer@tvemf.org](mailto:treasurer@tvemf.org). **If you don't have online access**, please send your name and voice part with a cheque to David King, 9 Clarke Mansions, 10 Marwood Square, London N10 3EY.

Covid is unfortunately still very active so we propose to take the following precautions:

- Good ventilation
- Hand hygiene: sanitiser provided but we suggest you bring your own too
- Face coverings other than when singing or conducting
- Limited numbers
- Social distancing: 1 metre spacing between chairs.

Remember to dress in warm clothes so that we can have some of the windows open. Please pop out and use the toilets during the singing sessions so that as few people as possible are in the toilets at the same time. We assume you have all been double vaccinated, but **please take a lateral flow test** during the preceding 24 hours. Delta symptoms, particularly for those who are vaccinated, are quite likely to manifest as a typical cold, so please stay away if you have any symptoms at all, regardless of any negative test result. We will of course refund your fee if you have to cancel because of covid or any other illness.