

# AN INVITATION FROM GÁBOR TAKÁCS-NAGY

It is an honour to become Music Director of Manchester Camerata, an ensemble of international quality. It will be a tremendous privilege to share the stage with many great artists this season including singers Rebecca Bottone (13 Oct) and Anna Stephany (25 Apr), and of course Camerata's dazzling new Leader - Giovanni Guzzo (25 May).

Life is not easy in the 21st century; it is full of challenges and in some places conflict. For me music is a great leveller, it is a universal language often signified by its beauty and truth and I look forward to exploring and sharing this exciting mission with you all, my English friends.

I invite you to join us for a season of discovery, as Manchester Camerata and I embark on our new journey together.

Gábor Takács-Nagy Music Director

## WELCOME

We are delighted to welcome you to Manchester Camerata's second series in Doncaster, delivered in partnership with Doncaster Council's HotHouse and Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council, supported by Arts Council England, Yorkshire. Our joint programme of work is setting off on an exciting journey over the next two years, bringing the very best music and musicians to Doncaster. In addition to four world class concerts, watch out for Musician in Residence performances, masterclass events and a fun-filled Family Creativity Day.

This season you'll be able to enjoy a Camerata performance in a wide range of spaces and places as we feature an intimate concert at St. Nicholas Church in Thorne and visit the beautiful and atmospheric Minster Church of St. George for the first time alongside two concerts at Doncaster Civic Theatre. We will also be building on our successful work to date in schools with a residency and workshop programme in primary and secondary schools across the borough.

As Gábor says, there are many pressures in 21st century life, so I hope you can help play an active part in securing the future of this wonderful series by introducing your friends, family and colleagues to the Camerata experience. Your support through buying tickets, and we hope in becoming a patron, is vital to securing the long term future of Camerata in Doncaster. Thank you sincerely for your support so far.

Bob Riley  
Manchester Camerata  
Chief Executive

Janet Sison  
Doncaster HotHouse  
Project Leader NPV

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## BOOKING INFORMATION

### TICKET PRICES

13 Oct, 25 Apr & 25 May: £15 / £6 (under 18s)

1 Feb: £10 / £6 (under 18s)

### Telephone 01302 342349

Please be patient as our lines do get very busy or leave a message and we will call you back. All credit and debit card payments will incur a £1.00 booking surcharge per transaction. Tickets will be posted by first class mail.

### Online [www.doncastercivic.co.uk](http://www.doncastercivic.co.uk)

Up to 10 tickets can be booked online for most HotHouse performances. All online bookings incur a £2.50 booking surcharge per transaction.

### REFUNDS

Only in exceptional circumstances, as deemed by the promoter, will an exchange or refund of ticket be given.

### TALKING POINTS

Discover more about the music you'll hear in the concert in our informal, yet informative Talking Points. Featuring a selection of Camerata musicians, conductors and soloists, Talking Points take place at 6.30pm and entry is free with your concert ticket.

### FREE CONCERT PROGRAMMES

Complimentary programmes will be available at all concerts this season. Download from [www.manchestercamerata.co.uk](http://www.manchestercamerata.co.uk) a week before the concert, or pick one up on the night.

### SUPPORT MANCHESTER CAMERATA

Manchester Camerata is an Arts Council England National Portfolio Organisation so have a solid foundation on which to build rewarding and long-term relationships with all of those who give to the orchestra. We invite you to join this group of supporters as we continue to grow our international reputation with new Music Director Gábor Takács-Nagy. **Find out more** [www.manchestercamerata.co.uk/supportus](http://www.manchestercamerata.co.uk/supportus)

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Waterdale, Doncaster, DN1 3ET

(10am-6pm Monday to Saturday) or

Tourist Information Centre, The Blue

Building, 38-40 High Street, DN1 1DE,

(9am-5pm Monday to Friday,

10am-3.30pm on Saturdays).

### LEARNING AND PARTICIPATION

Manchester Camerata is committed to the inspirational power of creative learning. **Find out more**

[www.manchestercamerata.co.uk/learning](http://www.manchestercamerata.co.uk/learning)

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[www.manchestercamerata.co.uk/newsletter-signup](http://www.manchestercamerata.co.uk/newsletter-signup)

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# A PLACE FOR MUSIC

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Thursday 13 October 2011 7.30pm

## CELEBRATING MOZART

Doncaster Civic Theatre, Waterdale, DN1 3ET

Mozart	Aria, 'Alma Grande e Nobile Core', K.578
Britten	Les Illuminations
Mozart	Aria, 'Vado, ma dove? O dei', K.583
Mozart	Aria, 'Nehmt Meinen Dank', K.383
Mozart	Symphony no.40

Gábor Takács-Nagy	conductor
Rebecca Bottone	soprano

A celebration of music and words, this programme brings together two composers deeply influenced by the drama of written and spoken word. Benjamin Britten brings Rimbaud's *Les Illuminations* to life with an extraordinary world of string sonorities. Mozart's incredibly intuitive understanding of human emotion and drama is demonstrated in a selection of arias sung by soprano Rebecca Bottone. The programme finishes with Mozart's intensely emotional Symphony no.40.

### Talking Point: Portrait of Doncaster 6.30pm

Local students share their new music and visual art inspired by their hometown of Doncaster.

Wednesday 1 February 2012 7.30pm

## SCHUBERT OCTET

St. Nicholas Church, Thorne, DN8 5NP

Franz Danzi	Bassoon Quartet Op.40 no.3
Brahim Kerkour	Octet (première)
Strauss arr. Hasenhorl	Till Eulenspiegel Einmal Anders!
Schubert	Octet

The centre-piece of this chamber programme, performed by Camerata's principal players, is Schubert's wonderfully lyrical and much-loved *Octet*. A charming bassoon quartet by the German composer Danzi, a contemporary of Mozart and Beethoven, is followed by a transcription of Strauss' riotous and witty *Till Eulenspiegel*, condensed down from its original massive orchestration into a score for five players! There will also be new work by Camerata's Composer-in-Residence Brahim Kerkour.

### Talking Point 6.30pm

Camerata's new Composer-in-Residence, Brahim Kerkour, talks to Principal Bassoonist Laurence Perkins about his new work for Octet and its context within this evening's programme.



Amina Hussain Flute

Wednesday 25 April 2012 7.30pm

## MUSIC OF LOVE

The Minster Church of St. George, Doncaster, DN1 1RD

Webern	Langsamer Satz (Slow Movement)
Brahms arr. Hermann	Liebeslieder Waltzes Op.52
Dvořák arr. Matthews	Love Songs Op.83
Tchaikovsky	Souvenir de Florence

Gábor Takács-Nagy	conductor
Anna Stephany	mezzo soprano

A portrait of works by composers struck by the love bug. The muse for Webern's uncharacteristically lush early *Slow Movement* was Wilhelmine Mörtl, his future wife. Brahms' *Liebeslieder Waltzes* explore love in all its shapes and forms. Dvořák's *Love Songs*, in an arrangement here by David Matthews, are all settings of romantic poems by Gustav Pfleger-Moravsky. *Souvenir de Florence* by Tchaikovsky, king of melodies, was dedicated to his mystery patron, Nadezhda von Meck, whom he never actually met.

**"There are many conductors in the world who can get orchestras to play together but there are very few who can profoundly inspire. Gábor Takács-Nagy is one of them."** Iván Fischer (conductor)

### Talking Point 6.30pm

An interview with Camerata's Music Director, Gábor Takács-Nagy.

Friday 25 May 2012 7.30pm

## ENGLISH MASTERS

Doncaster Civic Theatre, Waterdale, DN1 3ET

Elgar	Introduction and Allegro
Brahim Kerkour	New Work
Vaughan Williams	The Lark Ascending
Vaughan Williams	Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis
Haydn	Symphony no.94 <i>Surprise</i>

Gábor Takács-Nagy	conductor
Giovanni Guzzo	violin

A celebration of great English music written for chamber orchestra. Camerata's Leader, Giovanni Guzzo, takes centre stage to perform Vaughan Williams' delicately impressionistic *The Lark Ascending*.

### Talking Point 6.30pm

Composer-in-Residence, Brahim Kerkour, discusses his new work and its context within this evening's programme.



Dan Storer Principal Double Bass



Saturday 17 March 2012 10.15am – 3.00pm

## FAMILY CREATIVITY DAY

Priory Place Church, Printing Office St, Doncaster, DN1 1TR



### A fun-filled activity day for all the family!

Camerata's Family Creativity Day is a great way to keep youngsters amused whilst introducing them to music making.

Upon arrival families will be allocated to one of three groups and work on a rotation basis to experience three workshops:

- Music** Explore a huge range of exciting instruments to create an atmospheric soundtrack.
- Art** Get crafty making props, scenery and costumes for the final performance.
- Drama** Breathe life into a script and flex your acting muscles.

**"This was a brilliant day, really well organised and thoroughly enjoyed by all the family."** Previous Participant

Suitable for children aged 7-11 years. Children must be accompanied by an adult, who will take an active role in the day's activities.

Tickets £5 (adults) / £3 (children)

## MASTERCLASSES

Doncaster Music Service, William Appleby Music Centre, Danum Road, DN4 5HE

New for 2011/12, hear the effervescence of young Doncaster musicians in open masterclasses. Open to all interested in becoming a better musician.

8 October 2011	Date tbc
String Masterclass	Wind Masterclass

## DONCASTER'S MUSICIAN IN RESIDENCE

Over the course of the next few months musicians from Manchester Camerata will be popping up across Doncaster for a series of informal free performances in the weeks leading up to the main concert programme. So don't miss out, get these dates in your diary -

**Saturday 1 October 2011**  
Frenchgate Shopping Centre  
**11.30am and 1pm**

**Saturday 21 January 2012**  
Trinity Methodist Church,  
King Street, Thorne.  
**10.30am and 12noon**

**Saturday 14 April 2012**  
Walkers Garden Centre,  
Mosham Road, Blaxton.  
**11am and 1pm**

**Saturday 12 May 2012**  
Walkers Garden Centre,  
Mosham Road, Blaxton.  
**11am and 1pm**



Giovanni Guzzo Leader