Hand in Hand

August 16-18



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Schedule of Events

Friday, August 16

11:30 Lunch with Spectrum before leaving for Cardiff (Optional, tbc)
13:00 Bus leaves from South Street, Exeter - coach parking bay outside Newham Stores
15:00 Bus arrives at Liberty Bridge, Pellett Street
14:00-Late Registration takes place at Cardiff University Students Union. Each delegate must pick up their pack individually.
After Registering Welcome party at Y PLas in Cardiff University Students' Union with live band

Saturday, August 17

08:15-08:30 Meet for Tech Rehearsal at *Main Auditorium, St David's Hall*08:30-10:50 Tech Rehearsal at *Main Auditorium, St David's Hall*10:50-17:20 See other concerts, attend workshops, get food, etc.
17:20-18:00 Meet for Concert 4 at *Main Auditorium, St David's Hall*18:00-19:20 Concert performance (Spectrum's 20 min slot will be at 18:40)
20:30 Gala Concert (Festival Chorus and Festival Orchestra/UK LGBT+ Symphony Orchestra perform) at *Main Auditorium, St David's Hall*AFTER THE CONCERT- 0:00 Drinks at *the bar on Level 3 of St. David's Hall*AFTER 0:00 Free entry and discounts available at several local clubs and bars

Please read all Important info at the end of this document regarding Saturday's events

Sunday, August 18

MORNING Check out of accommodation. We can store luggage at Liberty Bridge during day **AFTER CHECKOUT- 15:00** Throughout the day there will be performances at Cardiff Bay, which we have indicated an interest in performing at. More info to come.

15:00 Closing ceremony, can only be attended by 5 members at *Senedd (Welsh Parliament) building*

16:00 Coach departs for Exeter

Important Information

Accommodation

We have booked out rooms at Liberty Bridge (Pellett St, Cardiff CF10 4FS). For more information about the facilities check out their website <u>https://www.libertyliving.co.uk/student-accommodation/cardiff/liberty-bridge/</u>. You can also contact them at +44 (0) 2920 498 148 or email <u>libertybridge-cardiff@libertyliving.co.uk</u>.

Please ensure you have paid for your room by SATURDAY 20 JULY.

Transportation

We have a coach booked to leave Exeter at 13:00 from South Street, Exeter - coach parking bay outside Newham Stores. Join us for a picnic on the Cathedral Green beforehand at 11:30!

Please ensure you have paid for your coach travel by SATURDAY 20 JULY.

Integra Planner

You all should have now registered as a delegate on Integra Planner (<u>http://Cardiff.integraplanner.net/</u>). (If you haven't already registered, go to http://Cardiff.integraplanner.net/reg) The current delegate registration fee is £50 which will go up to £60 from 14 July.

The Integra Planner Mobile App will be available for Hand In Hand Cardiff this can be downloaded free of charge and we will let you know more details closer to the event. The app will give you information of all the concerts and also provide a personal timetable so that you know where you have to be and when so it's important that you have all your information up to date online.

Please make sure that all your personal information is up to date and that you are registered with all the correct organisations.

Rehearsals and Concert

Saturday afternoon is concert time. There are 5 concerts in Saint David's Hall at 12:00, 14:00, 16:00, 18:00 and 20:30 and 3 in The Cornerstone, 350m round the corner, at 12:00, 14:00 and 16:00. Your delegate registration covers entrance to all these concerts and you will not need to

buy extra tickets. There will be a 40min break between each concert, providing more than enough time to move between venues/grab a drink.

Spectrum is Concert 4 at Main Auditorium, St David's Hall. Our performance starts promptly at 18:00, you must be there by 17:20. We're onstage third at 18:40, and our set is allowed to be 20 minutes long.

You are free to come and go as much as you like during the concerts so that you can see as many of the groups you want to see as possible. We would ask though that you don't move around the auditorium while choirs are singing and limit your movement to applause time and between choir slots.

Tickets for Friends and Family

All Saturday concerts will be open to the general public too. Tickets for them will be £10 which covers all the daytime concerts in St David's Hall AND Cornerstone and £15 to include the Gala Concert as well.

Workshops

During the morning there will also be workshops on singing and choreography, but it essential that rehearsals take priority. There's no need to book these, you can come and join on a first-come, first-served basis.

Gala Concert

Festival Chorus

The Hand In Hand Festival Chorus will perform at the Gala Concert on Saturday evening alongside the Festival Orchestra. All delegates are welcome to join the chorus as long as you come along to a couple of rehearsals over the weekend. These will be timetabled so that they're available to as many people as possible and everyone should be able to make at least two. The programme for the Festival Chorus will include a spirited traditional Welsh song, a well known movement by Wales' most popular living composer, Karl Jenkins, as well as a version of Welsh legend, Bonnie Tyler's greatest hit, arranged especially for Hand In Hand which will provide a spectacular finale to the Gala Concert.

Where copyright makes it possible, music will be emailed out to people who have registered for the Festival Chorus at the start of August so that you can have a look/listen before the first rehearsal. Other music will be available at rehearsals.

If you'd like to be involved in the Hand In Hand Festival Chorus, go to the 'Quick Links' pull down menu towards the top left corner of your Integra Planner personal dashboard. Select 'Add Choir or Ensemble' and Search for 'Hand In Hand Festival Chorus'. All the information and available sheet music will then be sent to you at the beginning of August.

Festival Orchestra/UK LGBT+ Symphony Orchestra

Hand In Hand 2019 will provide the launch pad for a new ensemble, the UK LGBT+ Symphony Orchestra. The orchestra will meet to rehearse for the first time on Friday evening and will make their first public appearance at the Gala Concert. They'll be supported by local musicians including members of the Cardiff Philharmonic Orchestra.

The orchestra will perform a large-scale work on their own as well as accompany the Festival Chorus in all their pieces, finishing off the Saturday night with a huge bang!

Wind and brass seats have now mostly been filled but the orchestra would still welcome any string players who might like to get involved. There will be several rehearsals over the weekend, beginning on Friday evening. We don't expect that you'll be able to join all of these due to commitments with your choirs but we would like you to make as much as you can. If you'd like to get involved with the orchestra either at Hand In Hand or in the future email David, the Orchestra Manager, at uklgbt.orchestra@gmail.com