



Yatton Music Society

Charity No : 1024758

Newsletter : 1 February 2026



Dear YMS Member,



Welcome to the February Newsletter. We have now held 4 concerts from our 2025/26 season, but still have 4 concerts remaining before our annual programme ends with a concert on 16 May 26. Our most recent concert was held on Sat 31 Jan 26; this was a very enjoyable piano/organ and trumpet concert. I particularly enjoyed the trumpet with the organ in 'Shackleton's Cross' and Telemann's 'Musique Héroïque'.



A picture from our YMS concert on 31 January of **Jo Harris (trumpet) and Daniel King Smith (Piano/Organ)**.

If you wished to read my background notes on all the music played by Jo and Daniel, they can be found in my 1 January Newsletter which is available on the YMS website at: www.yms.org.uk

Follow this link to hear Shackleton's Cross.
[Shackleton's Cross \(Arr. for Trumpet & Organ by Howard Goodall\) - YouTube](#)

YATTON MUSIC SOCIETY

**SATURDAY
FEB 28TH**

7.30pm

"A simply fantastic show: surprising, hilarious, and moving. Get a ticket at all costs - a great evening out."
STEPHEN GOSS

**A Pocket Opera
Carmenco**

Join Carmen in her boudoir as she tells her own story in words and music.

Concert · Theatre · Comedy

"A playful and well-crafted performance with a depth of exceptional musical talent that audiences both respect and adore."
ED O'DRISCOLL - (AIR IN G)

TICKETS:
£15 ON THE DOOR, MEMBERS £10
FULL TIME STUDENTS (17-21YR) £10,
UNDER 17S FREE

**ST MARY'S CHURCH
YATTON, BS49 4HH**

For further information visit
www.yms.org.uk

CARMENCOTRIO.COM

**Our next concert will be given by
CarmenCo
on Sat 28 Feb 2026 at 7.30pm.**

A combination of classical music, theatre and comedy; CarmenCo is a Pocket Opera and a performance of Spanish-inspired guitar chamber music presented as a play. It has costumes, props, and a storyline which irreverently retells the story of Bizet's opera Carmen, but from her own point of view. Old Seville is conjured from some favourite music from Bizet's popular opera combined with other repertoire as listed below. All the music is skilfully arranged by the trio for combinations of two guitars and flute or voice.

This is one concert not to be missed, so bring your friends and family and enjoy a special evening out.



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The music that will be performed includes:

BIZET - L'Aragonaise from Carmen (fl, 2 gtr)
DE FALLA - La vida breve (2 gtr)
ALBENIZ - Cordoba (2 gtr)
RODRIGO - Fantasia para un Gentilhombre (fl, 2 gtr)
BIZET - Habanera from Carmen (voice, 2 gtr)
ALBENIZ - Mallorca (gtr)
BOCCHERINI - Night watch in Madrid (fl, 2 gtr)
RAVEL - Piece en forme de Habanera (fl, gtr)
BIZET - Seguidilla from Carmen – (voice, 2 gtr)
BIZET - Entr'acte from Carmen (fl, 2 gtr)
GARCIA-LORCA - Nana de Sevilla (voice, gtr)
BIZET - Toreador from Carmen (fl, 2 gtr)
DE FALLA - Fire dance (2 gtr)
DE FALLA - El Paño Moruno (voice, gtr)
BIZET - Card Aria from Carmen (voice, 2 gtr)
TARREGA - Recuerdos de l'Alhambra (gtr)
BORNE - Fantasy on themes from Carmen (fl, 2 gtr)

Just a 'Heads-up' on our concert after next:

Our concert on Sat 28 Mar 2026 at 7.30pm

will be given by

Alistair Penman (Saxophone) and Jonathan Pease (Piano)



You will be able to read more about this concert in next month's Newsletter.



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The AGM Concert : The 'Mandolinquents' Sat 4 July 2026.



This concert is now in our programme and is planned to take place shortly after the AGM. The AGM will take place earlier in the evening whilst the concert is due to start at our normal time of 7.30pm.

This AGM concert represents the first concert of the 2026/27 season.

'The Mandolinquents' will be a mix of high-quality musicianship but with some fun commentary and tall tales.

[Simon Mayor's Mandolinquents | Mayor & James](#)

Much more on this in a future newsletter. Please put this 4 July 2026 concert in your diary.

Reminder of YMS Membership Arrangements. Membership runs from 1 June, or whenever you renew it, until the end of the YMS year, which is 31 May. However, anyone who is a member on or before 31 May, is still entitled to vote at the following AGM (normally held in early July), and we encourage members to come and use their vote at the AGM.

Membership can be renewed for next year's concerts any time after 31 May which will allow you to continue to benefit from membership ticket pricing (ie £10). So please do renew your membership as soon as possible after 31 May, via the YMS website or in person at a concert. The AGM concert represents the first concert of the new season and will need a new membership.

Tickets for non-YMS members are currently £15/concert but are only £10/concert for Members. As annual membership costs £10/yr, members can therefore save up to £30 over 8 concerts, even including your membership fee. Accompanied children who are 16 or under are free, whilst Students in full time education or training can attend at the same £10 rate as members. In this way we aim to: keep top class classical music available in a local setting in North Somerset, keep costs down for our members, encourage younger attendees (who represent our future audiences), and enable the YMS to afford to invite and pay for world-class artists. Our members are essential in supporting our charity to continue delivering great music locally and into the future.

Best Wishes

Vince

YMS Chairman



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