



Greg Beardsell - Conductor

One of the UK's most dynamic conductors, Greg Beardsell is Music Director of the Bournemouth Symphony Chorus and the Wooburn Singers, Conductor of the Manchester Boys' Choir, Associate Conductor of the National Youth Choir of Great Britain and conductor of the Ulster Youth Choir.

Born in Harrogate and educated at Chetham's School of Music and Manchester University, Greg studied conducting with Michael Brewer and Gary Walker. Whilst at university he held the directorship of the Chamber Choir, Ad Solem, for four years. He also conducted the university Chamber Orchestra and Symphony Chorus.

Greg's previous posts include Music Director of the Oxford Chamber Choir and the Surrey Youth Choir, whom he led to the Grand Finals of the Sainsbury's Choir of the Year. He was the director of Opera Works, a company giving performance opportunities to young opera singers. He has been the recipient of a BBC Singers conductor bursary.

A large proportion of Greg's time is devoted to tutoring singing and choral courses: these include the Eton Choral Courses, the IAPS Choral Course and Harrogate Choral Week. He regularly leads workshops for children around the country on behalf of the National Youth Choir and the Association of British Choral Directors. Greg is dedicated to the teaching of choral music to people of all ages. He is also in demand as an adjudicator and has recently adjudicated at the Navan Choral Festival.

As a Chorus Master Greg has worked with the St. Endellion Festival Chorus, the BBC Symphony Chorus and the London Symphony Chorus, and has prepared works for conductors such as Marin Alsop and Richard Hickox. Greg has directed the Sagittarian Consort of Cambridge, the Classical Soloists and the City of London Sinfonia.

Most recently Greg prepared the Ulster Youth Choir for their recital on the last night of the BBC Proms 2006. He performed alongside the Choir and the concert was broadcast live on BBC Four.

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