MICHAEL PRAETORIUS - Polyhymnia Caduceatrix et Panegyrica

An all-day workshop for singers and instrumentalists (A = 440)

Saturday 29th June 2019 at Stockenny, near Presteigne, LD8 2RE

Tutor: David Hatcher

Registration from 09.30am  Workshop 10am to approximately 4.30pm, latest 5pm
BMEMF AGM 12.45pm

Polyhymnia Caduceatrix et Panegyrica is a volume of 40 impressive and enjoyable works published in 1619. The style very much confirms Praetorius’s arrival into the Baroque era. We will focus mainly on the large-scale motet Erhalt uns, Herr bei deinum Wort (Lord, keep us in Thy Word and Work), a four-choir masterpiece in which the instruments will make up one or two choirs. Much of this work is extremely dramatic yet quite simple, and the lines vary in complexity so that there is something for everyone. The choice of other works from this volume will be determined later, when we know the balance of voices and instruments.

David Hatcher needs little introduction to many of us, since he is a frequent and very popular EMF tutor. He lives in Leominster and works in many aspects of Early Music both at home and abroad, specializing in voice and viol.

Stockenny is well known to BMEMF regulars and is a truly excellent summer venue in every respect.

Cost of workshop: £14 for EMF members, £16 for non-members, £5 for students.

Prior booking is essential. Book directly online at www.bmemf.org.uk where fuller details of the workshop may be found, or by post or email using the form below. Confirmation, specific instructions and directions will be sent by email within three weeks of application. If you do not have email, please enclose an s.a.e. Refunds will not normally be given for cancellations received after 22nd June.

Important please: bookings will be accepted right up to the date of the workshop subject to space and copies, but it would be immensely helpful if you could apply by the end of May so that the tutor has time to prepare and optimise the programme.

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