

Border Marches Early Music Forum
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Saturday 19th September 2015

Monteverdi – Sacred Dramatist
Tutor: Justin Doyle

A workshop for singers and instrumentalists (strings, recorders and continuo, A= 440).
Registration from 9.30 Workshop 10.00 - 16.30 BMEMF AGM 12.45

The Great Barn, Hellens Manor, Much Marcle, Ledbury, Herefordshire HR8 2LY

Monteverdi was equally skilled at writing for the church and for the stage. He created some of the earliest through-composed music dramas, with a determination that text should be set in as clearly declaimed a way as possible. Our workshop will explore choruses from his first opera, *Orfeo*, all that remains of his 'lost' opera *Arianna* (the extraordinary Lament) and excerpts from his *Mass for 4 voices* and *Ballo delle Ingrate*, together with the motet *Adoramus te*. From *stile antico* polyphony through madrigalian dance rhythms to heart-wrenching harmonic writing - this programme has it all!

Justin Doyle is a highly-regarded conductor. He is Musical Director of the Haffner Orchestra, the University of Manchester Chorus, Young Sinfonia and Opera North Children's Chorus, and guest conductor with, *inter alia*, Opera North and ETO. He is also a composer, arranger and educator, and tutors workshops for Lacock courses and for The Sixteen.

The Great Barn at Hellens, in the grounds of the Manor, is a spacious and attractive venue, deep in beautiful Herefordshire countryside. We can walk and picnic in the gardens - or retreat to the Haywain Barn if it rains.

Prior booking is essential. Please return the form below with a cheque dated 19 September 2015, payable to BMEMF, to Marna Gowan, 8 Blackmore Road, Malvern, WR14 1QX.
Tel: 01684 565 707, email: marna.gowan@btinternet.com

(Confirmation, with directions to Hellens, will be sent by email after 12 September. If you do not have email, please enclose an s.a.e. Cheques will be banked after the workshop.)

Monteverdi workshop. £18 for EMF members, £20 for non-members, £5 for students.

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Name(s)

Address:..... Postcode:.....

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Voice(s): S..... A T B Instrument(s)