

Midland Voices



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14/2/13 Details of next Daytime Choir at Leamington rehearsals starting March 14th 2013

Midland Voices Musical Director, Barry Todd, announced the details of the next rehearsal sessions for the Leamington Daytime choir at St Joseph's Centre. [click here for Venue details](#)

Rehearsals will start again on Thursday March 14th 2013, and then held on March 21, April 11, 18, 25 May (Not 2) 9, 16, 23 you can download a singer's application form here <http://www.midlandvoices.org.uk/download/leamingtonmar13form.docx>.

The next Concert for this choir is scheduled for October 19th at Heart of England Secondary School Balsall Common.

14/2/13 Midland Voices Leamington Choir raises £2,660 for Molly Olly's Wishes Charity with its "I Got Rhythm" Concert on 9th February 2013.

This 70 strong choir held its third concert at Kingsley School and raised over £2,700 for the support organisation set up in memory of Molly the granddaughter of one of the choir's most senior members. His daughter Rachel addressed the 240 strong audience to explain how Molly had wanted to help other Children and after her brave battle ended they set up the Molly Olly's Wishes organisation (www.mollyolly.co.uk) to support children and their families in the Midlands with terminal and life threatening illnesses. Previous concerts have raised money for the local Air Ambulance, and the main Midland Voice choir has supported the Shakespeare Hospice (<http://www.theshakespearehospice.org.uk>) raising over £8,000 with their "Christmas Cheer" event, which is available on DVD from the hospice.

Notes to Editors

Midland Voices was formed by its musical director Barry Todd in 2009. The original main choir rehearses in Warwick (Monday evenings) and Coventry (Wednesday evenings) and it usually performs at Warwick Arts Centre with a full Orchestra. Their next concert there is on 29th June and is called “Legends Live On”, dedicated to famous performers and composers whose careers were cut short. (See news dated 18/11/12 on our news page for more details)

The rehearsals for “Legends Live On” are launched on 3rd March at Myton School, Myton Road, Warwick, potential singers are welcome to come along and see what fun we have. Application forms can be downloaded from the web site.

There are other events scheduled throughout the year up to November 2013.

Barry has since added Daytime choirs in Leamington Spa on Thursdays and Balsall Common on Tuesdays which, as the name implies, rehearse in the day time. See our website for details of venues and dates and times. All three choirs are open to anyone to join. Singers who would like to train with an expert vocal coach and sing with a live orchestra, have the chance to perform a Solo and have lots of fun, can message midland voices on Facebook or visit the website www.midlandvoices.org.uk or tweet on twitter @midlandvoices.

For more information visit our website www.midlandvoices.org.uk or Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/MidlandVoices> or twitter @midlandvoices.

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12/12/12 Midland Voices raises £8,000 for Shakespeare Hospice with its Christmas Cheer concert.

We are very pleased to announce that the Midland Voices Choir raised over £8,000 funding for the Shakespeare Hospice from its “Christmas Cheer” Concert at the Civic Hall in Stratford. A DVD of the event is also available to buy from the hospice to raise further funds. This is our main choir and continues to bring fun and entertainment to hundreds at the same time as raising funds for its adopted organisations. The next event for the Shakespeare Hospice is the [Big Sing at Stratford upon Avon](#) on Saturday, 14 September 2013 details will appear on the Hospice website click here_....

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2/12/12 Tickets are now on sale for Midland Voices “I Got Rhythm” charity concert at Kingsley School, Beauchamp Ave. Leamington Spa, CV32 5RD, 7:30 pm Saturday 9th February 2013

Tickets costs £8 each and all funds go toward the Molly Olly’s Wishes (<http://www.mollyolly.co.uk/>) organisation supporting children with terminal and life threatening illness, and their families, throughout the Midlands.

This is our Daytime Choir from Leamington, one of three Midland Voices choirs under the direction of Barry Todd. This is their third concert, and this established 70+ strong choir will bring you fantastic arrangements of a line-up that includes favourites like:- In the Mood, Tea for Two, Blue Moon, Chatanooga Choo Choo and Sing.

For tickets contact Hazel on 01926 814044. .

For a map of venue click here <http://www.thekingsleyschool.com/Uploads/MapPDF/MapPDf.pdf>

See our website www.midlandvoices.org.uk for details of all events dates and venues, why not sign up to one of our choirs, all three are enrolling now for events in 2013.

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10/1/2013 - the Singing Workshop on 2nd February 2013 event was postponed due to ill health.

It is planned to reorganise in 2013 so watch this space.

We all wish Val a full and speedy recovery.

22/11/12 Details of next Daytime Choir at Leamington rehearsals starting January 10th 2013

Midland Voices Musical Director, Barry Todd, announced the details of the next rehearsal sessions for the Leamington Daytime choir at the penultimate session today at St Joseph's Centre. [click here for Venue details](#)

Rehearsals will start again on Thursday January 10th 2013, and on 17th 24th and 31st

Our Next Event for this Choir is February 9th at Kingsley School.

If you are interested in seeing what we do come along to our rehearsal on Thursday 29th November our last before the Christmas break, or see the photos and rehearsal log and song lists on our web site. [click here for information on the Midland Voices Leamington choir](#)

Application forms are available for singers on our Web site [click here to download application](#) where you can also find more information about our three choirs.

It costs no more than £27.00 to join this exciting choir or contact Barry to discuss discounts and concessions.

All ages and abilities are welcome; the rehearsal venue has particularly good access being all on one level.

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20/11/12 Details of next “Balsall Singers” rehearsals starting January 15th 2013

Midland Voices Musical Director, Barry Todd, announced the details of the next rehearsal sessions for the Balsall Singers Daytime choir at the penultimate session today at St Peter's Hall Holly Lane, Balsall CV7 7EA. [click here for Venue details](#)

Rehearsals will start again on Tuesday January 15th 2013, there will be 9 sessions, and there will be no rehearsals in half-term week (February 19th 2013).

Barry said that if the choir work as hard next year as they have so far this last three weeks he could put on another show in the summer. The venue would probably be the Heart of England Senior School. If you are interested in seeing what we do come along to our rehearsal on Tuesday 27th November our last before the Christmas break, or see the photos and rehearsal log and song lists on our web site. [Click here for information on the Balsall Singers](#)

Application forms are available for singers on our Web site [click here to download application](#) where you can also find more information about our three choirs.

It costs no more than £48.60 to join this exciting young choir, or call Barry to discuss discounts or concessions.

All ages and abilities are welcome; the St Peter's Hall venue has particularly good access being all on one level. .

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18/11/2012 Details of the Legends Live On! Concert are announced today

Midland Voices Musical Director, Barry Todd, announced the details of the show at rehearsals at Myton School. He also gave singers details of songs that it will feature.

All based on artist or composers who died at an early age but who live on through their music and songs.

Ranging from classics like Mozart's Ave Verum Corpus ([http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ave_verum_corpus_\(Mozart\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ave_verum_corpus_(Mozart))) which he wrote only six months before his death

to songs from legends like:-

Elvis Presley, Eddie Cochran, Marvin Gay, Buddy Holly, Karen Carpenter,
Michal Jackson....

Freddie Mercury The Bee Gees,

Plus solo numbers to be selected at auditions.

It promises to be a unique and spectacular event, delivered with the professional polish we have come to expect from this fantastic choir.

Application forms are available for singers on our Web site www.midlandvoices.org.uk where you can also find more information about our three choirs.

It costs no more than £120 to join, or call Barry to discuss discounts or concessions.

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18/11/2012 Details of Singing Workshop 2nd February 2013 are announced today

Midland Voices Musical Director, Barry Todd, announced the details of the Second Singing Workshop to be run by Val Whitlock on Saturday Feb 2nd 2013

The workshop is open to all MidlandVoices singers and friends and anyone keen to learn how to improve their singing.

See application forms and details at our web site www.midlandvoices.org.uk where you can also find more information about our three choirs.

It costs just £20 to join in this active fun packed day.

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2/11/12 Midland Voices Raises almost £2000 for Air Ambulance

The Concert held at Heart of England Secondary School Balsall Common, (see details on details www.midlandvoices.org.uk), raised just short of £2,000 for the Warwickshire and Northamptonshire Air Ambulance. This was the first concert by the Balsall Choir, one of three choirs within the Midland Voices organisation. The Balsall Choir rehearse at St Peter's Hall, Corner of Holly Lane & Balsall Street East, Near Heart of England Secondary School (in Gipsy Lane), Balsall Common, West Midlands, CV7 7EA and have just started rehearsal for their next concert.

For more details or to join this exciting choir see the website or contact Barry Todd.

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