

Only **£30** for the entire season and just **£5** for individual talks. Students [with NUS card] are **FREE**

Tuesday 10th October 2023

**Michael Lessiter**

## Famous Operatic Trials

Michael Lessiter is a noted bass-baritone who sang in the chorus at the Royal Opera House and in many West End shows too. Here, his operatic knowledge comes to the fore in a number of thrilling recordings exposing the background to trials in famous operas.



Tuesday 14th November 2023

**Andrew Keener**

## Jacqueline du Pré – a Life and Legacy

Renowned recording producer Andrew Keener talks about the life and legacy of the exceptional cellist Jacqueline du Pré and charts the progress of her short stellar career. There is far more to her repertoire than her justly famous Elgar *Cello Concerto* recordings.



The Tompkins Lecture

Tuesday 12th December 2023

**A Victorian Evening**

**\*\* Please note the change of venue \*\***

## A concert of Victorian readings and music

The Leicester Music Society joins forces with the Leicester Victorian Society in a celebration of fine Victorian music and readings in Bishop Street Methodist Church, Town Hall Square. Readers, singers and organ music too.



Tuesday 9th January 2024

**Roger Wheeler**

## Jazz since WWII: personal recollections

An eclectic mix of music including performances Roger has been to and jazz greats he has met: Chris Barber, Stan Tracey [pictured], Miles Davis and notably Ronnie Scott who was instrumental in bringing American jazz musicians to Britain.



Tuesday 13th February 2024

**Nigel Simeone**

## RVW & Adrian Boult: a musical friendship

In 2022 Nigel Simeone published his seminal book on the long musical relationship and the qualities Boult brought to his performances of Vaughan Williams. This talk is illustrated by many rare broadcast recordings, several of them unpublished.



The Goldsmith Lecture

Tuesday 12th March 2024

**John Brooks**

## 45 years in the business

A long-time LMS member, John Brooks is well known to music lovers in Leicester as a recordings expert in Brees record shop and then his own Classic Tracks. His knowledge is vast and he has seen so many changes in 45 years from 78's through to DVDs.



Tuesday 9th April 2024

**Christopher Morley**

## Did Mozart burn himself out?

Mozart died at the tragically early age of 35. What caused this premature death when he was writing great works right to the end including his unfinished *Requiem* and the operas *La Clemenza di Tito* and *The Magic Flute*? Expert Chris Morley explains all.



Tuesday 14th May 2024

**Paul Spicer**

## Samuel Barber

This celebrated 20<sup>th</sup> Century American composer is mostly remembered for his ubiquitous *Adagio for Strings*. Paul Spicer shares his love of the wealth of Barber's music & hopes to win over those who are not already converts!



The Jenny Roberts Lecture

Tuesday 11th June 2024

**AGM & Quiz**

## AGM and annual musical quiz

Do come to our fun-packed music quiz, which is preceded by a brief AGM, and bring along friends and family to be in your team. There is no charge for guests and there are refreshments for all. Our popular and varied quiz is a great way to end the season.

