



CONCERT SERIES

December 2025

Dear Supporters of Marlborough College Concert Series

Our grateful thanks to you all for continuing to support us through 2025, it has been wonderful to see you again and we hope that you enjoyed the last two concerts, London Community Gospel Choir and Warren Lee.

You can find reviews of all of our concerts by visiting marlboroughconcertseries.org/reviews

As Christmas approaches, you may be searching for a present that feels thoughtful, memorable and a little bit special. Might we suggest the *gift of live music*? Tickets are now on sale for the remaining concerts in the 2025/26 Marlborough College Concert Series, and these present a wonderful opportunity to treat a friend, loved one or family member to an inspiring afternoon in the Memorial Hall or the Chapel. All of our remaining concerts take place at 3pm.

Below is a look at what's coming up.



Einstein's Music

**Sunday 11 January 2026 3pm
Memorial Hall**

featuring Jack Liebeck on violin

Our January concert is set to be one of the most captivating events of the season. *Einstein's Music* explores the remarkable interplay between the ideas that changed modern physics and the violin music that Einstein adored.

Professor Brian Foster will introduce and illuminate concepts at the heart of modern science such as relativity, space-time and the behaviour of light in a way that is engaging, accessible, and often surprising. Do not be afraid! This is physics such as you have never experienced. Each idea is paired with live performance, creating a unique dialogue between explanation and music.

We are also thrilled to welcome Jack Liebeck, one of the UK's leading violinists, celebrated for his ability to bridge music and science with exceptional clarity and artistry. Jack will be accompanied by the outstanding pianist Katya Apekisheva, whose sensitivity and finesse make her one of Europe's most respected chamber musicians.

Part lecture, part recital, this is an event for curious minds of all ages.



London Mozart Players

**Sunday 1 February 2026 3pm
Chapel of St Michael & All Angels**

Beckerath Organ Celebration
Concert

This special concert marks the refurbishment of Marlborough College's magnificent Beckerath organ, an instrument renowned for its craftsmanship, clarity and character. Built by the distinguished German organ builders Rudolf von Beckerath Orgelbau, the instrument is noted for its elegant voicing and versatility, making it ideal for both Baroque and Romantic repertoire.

We are delighted that Michael Butterfield, one of the UK's most exciting young organists, will be performing. Known for his expressive musicality, technical command and quietly dazzling stage presence, Michael has established himself as a rising figure in the world of organ performance. For any of you who might have attended a College Chapel service over the previous five years, Michael was the resident College organist from 2020- July 2025.

The London Mozart Players will join him in a rich and celebratory programme including:

- Poulenc Organ Concerto
- Barber Adagio for Strings
- Widor Symphony No.5

This will be a wonderful occasion to hear the restored instrument in full splendour.



Sinfonia Smith Square

**Sunday 8 March 2026 3pm
Memorial Hall**

Beethoven Piano Concerto No. 5,
Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 4

Our season concludes with the irrepressible energy of Sinfonia Smith Square, whose musicians are known for their freshness, dynamism and thrilling ensemble sound.

The concert opens with Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 5, performed by the outstanding young pianist Jamie Cochrane. Jamie, a recent Tillett Trust prize winner, has been praised for his refined touch, expressive depth and exceptional musical intelligence. His work spans concerto appearances, solo recitals and chamber collaborations, and he brings to Beethoven a clarity and poise that feel both refreshing and fully grounded in the composer's spirit.

The programme concludes with Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 4, a work which has been described as a sweeping, emotionally charged drama. Expect intensity, lyricism and a roof-lifting finale, all delivered with Sinfonia Smith Square's trademark verve and youthful enthusiasm.

A Perfect Christmas Gift

All remaining concerts are now on sale, and tickets of the promise of a live musical experience make ideal gifts.

To explore the season or book visit:
marlboroughconcertseries.org/concerts
or by contacting the box office.

Advance booking is strongly recommended in order to take advantage of current pricing.

Please note: From 1 January, ticket prices on the door will rise to £30.

We look forward to welcoming you in the New Year.

With warmest wishes,
The Marlborough College Concert Series Team

Please note that you will receive an email confirmation of your ticket purchase, but actual concert tickets will not be sent by post. Tickets will be available for collection from the box office once the doors open before the concert. We would like to remind all concert goers that seating in our Memorial Hall auditorium is unreserved (with the exception of our sponsors).

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