

# Thames Valley Early Music Forum

## *Guillaume Dufay : his last great Mass*

A workshop for singers directed by

**Eamonn Dougan**

**St Andrew's United Reformed Church**

**Mount Park Road, Ealing W5 2RS**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2012 – 10.00 am for 10.30 until 5.00 pm**

An introduction to Dufay's Marian Antiphon **Ave Regina Coelorum** and his setting of the ordinary of the mass based on it are the focus of this workshop for advanced choral singers on April 21<sup>st</sup> at St. Andrews Church, Ealing (London), led by Eamonn Dougan.

Eamonn Dougan is Associate Conductor of The Sixteen and Principal Guest Conductor of The National Youth Choir of Great Britain and Chorus Director of Britten Sinfonia Voices. He will guide us through the best parts of the antiphon and Mass – maybe even all of it!

The music is set for four-voice mixed choir including low sopranos, altos reading down an octave. We plan a well-balanced group, so apply early. Good sight-reading skills are called for to handle the modern notation rhythms (prepare by ordering the music in advance, see below\*). It was probably written for the consecration of Cambrai Cathedral in 1472. The intense Marian devotion also includes the most extraordinarily personal statement in Dufay's composition. In the final Agnus Dei of the mass Dufay suddenly quotes a strikingly chromatic musical passage from the antiphon setting where he changes the text to beg mercy on "suppliant Dufay." Listen to a recording at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KuoFteTfYu0>

**The Venue:** St Andrew's United Reformed Church is in Mount Park Road, between Aston Road and King's Avenue and is a few minutes walk from Ealing Broadway station (District & Central Lines and National Rail). Bus routes 65,83,112,226,207,427,E1,E2,E7,E8,E8,E10 & E11 all stop nearby. For those coming by car the church has its own small car park but there is plenty of free street parking nearby on Saturday.

Coffee & tea will be available from 10 a.m. and lunch will be from about 1 pm. until 2 pm. There are pubs serving food nearby and there are numerous cafés, restaurants, sandwich bars and small supermarkets around Ealing Broadway which is only a few minutes' walk away.

The fee for the day is £12 for members of TVEMF and other Fora and £14 for non-forum members. \*Order a copy of the music in advance by adding £8.50 to your cheque; the music will be yours to make notes on and keep. Please make cheques payable to TVEMF and send as soon as possible to Hugh Rosenbaum 127 Fortis Green Road, London N10 3LX or e-mail [hugh4@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:hugh4@blueyonder.co.uk). The closing date for receipt of applications is April 14th. All applications will be acknowledged. If you are unable to attend, please let Hugh know as soon as possible so your place can be offered to someone else. Late cancellations received after October 7th may forfeit the course fee if they cannot be replaced from the waiting list.

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