

Thames Valley Early Music Forum
Eastern Early Music Forum

Music for a Bavarian Wedding

by Striggio, Padovano and Lechner

directed by

Philip Thorby

at Waltham Abbey

Saturday 14th May 2016 10.00 for 10.30 until about 5.30

The royal wedding of the heir to the throne of Bavaria, Duke Wilhelm, to Princess Renée of Lorraine in February 1568 in Munich was a magnificent affair. The celebrations lasted for over two weeks with banquets, tournaments, dances, fireworks, masquerades, theatre performances and specially composed music. We shall be looking at some of this music, and applications are invited from singers and players of appropriate instruments such as cornetts, sackbuts, curtals, recorders, strings and continuo. Pitch will be A = 440.

Philip Thorby is well known to Forum members for his many enjoyable and instructive workshops. He is Director of Musica Antiqua of London and until a few years ago was Director of Early Music at Trinity College of Music.

Waltham Abbey is near M25 Junctions 26 or 25 (the A10 intersection). Waltham Cross station is about a mile away - trains from Liverpool Street. In most cases the National Rail Enquiries website recommends taking the faster train from Liverpool Street or Cambridge to Cheshunt and then it's one stop back south on the slow train to Waltham Cross. There is plenty of parking a short walk away but beware – it may no longer be free. There will be a link to a map of the venue on the TVEMF web site www.tvemf.org.

Coffee and biscuits will be available but not lunch. You may prefer to bring a packed lunch rather than go out into the town, as the Abbey organist Jonathan Lilley will be giving a short organ recital at lunch time of works by Byrd, Tallis and Sweelinck. The lunch break will be from 12.15 to 1.15 to fit round the recital.

The cost for the workshop is £12 for Early Music Forum members and £14 for non-members. Please apply as early as possible. You can assume that you have been accepted unless you hear to the contrary by the closing date, 7th May. Applications may be accepted after this date but the cost will increase by £2. If you find you cannot come, please be sure to let us know in good time. Don't just fail to turn up as not only will we keep your cheque but you may deprive someone on the waiting list of a place.

If you would like to take part please send the attached form to: Victoria Helby, 50 Sheepfold Lane, Amersham HP7 9EJ. secretary@tvemf.org (01494 721582)

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I would like to come to the Waltham Abbey workshop and enclose £..... (payable to TVEMF)

Name:

Voice/Instrument:

Telephone:

e-mail:

Address: