



Here is the latest news from Tŷ Cerdd:

Welsh Music Nominations Wanted! Royal Philharmonic Society Music Awards – Deadline 31st January 2009

RPS Members and Professional Musical Organisations are invited to make nominations for the next Royal Philharmonic Society Music Awards. If you are not an RPS member but would like to make a suggestion for nomination then please forward the details to the Welsh Music Information Centre for consideration as part of its nominations as a professional musical organisation. Details of the categories and criteria can be found on the link below.

www.rpsmusicawards.com/about/criteria.html

BBC Hoddinott Hall, Opening Festival - Thursday 22 January – Sunday 1 February 2009

In January 2009 the BBC National Orchestra of Wales moves into its exciting new home, BBC Hoddinott Hall at Cardiff's Wales Millennium Centre. Since 1967, the Orchestra has been based in Studio 1 at the BBC studios in Llandaff, Cardiff, but has long out-grown its old home. Now a new purpose-built studio has been added as Phase 2 of the Wales Millennium Centre complex in Cardiff Bay. Additionally, the Grace Williams Studio will act as a centre for education and outreach work.

For more information, go to www.wmc.org.uk

The book '**BBC National Orchestra and Chorus of Wales- A History**', written and edited by Peter Reynolds, is to be launched on the 22nd of January 2009. The book will cost £9.99 and will be available from the 22nd January. Phone 0800 052 1812 to buy your copy after this date.

The Arts Council of Wales and PRS Foundation launch funding scheme for innovative new Music.

The Arts Council of Wales and PRS Foundation (PRSF), the UK's largest funder purely for new music, are pleased to announce the Scheme guidelines for funding innovative new music for 2009/2010, 'Steps to New Music'. For more information on the scheme, go to <http://www.artswales.org.uk/viewnews.asp?id=1084>

The closing date for applications is Monday, 2 February 2009.

New CD releases from Tŷ Cerdd!:

National Youth Brass Band of Wales (2008):

Vienna Nights

conductor Nigel Boddice, soloist Christian Jones (bass trombone)

Hoddinott, Vaughan Williams, Gareth Wood, Philip Wilby, Elgar Howarth, Philip Sparke

National Youth Choir of Wales (2007)

Conductor - Islwyn Evans

Mervyn Burtch, Gareth Glyn, Brian Hughes, Hector MacDonald, Gregory Rose, Grace Williams

National Youth Choir of Wales (2008)

Tydi a Roddaist

Conductor - Ralph Allwood

Organ - Christopher Whitton,

J.S.Bach, Alun Hoddinott, Arwel Hughes, William Mathias, Robert Pearsall, Henry Purcell, Thomas Tallis, Mansel Thomas, Eric Whitacre, Ralph Vaughan Williams

Ar gael hefyd/Also available:

National Youth Wind Orchestra of Wales (2007):

Cloudburst

Conductor - Nigel Boddice, soloist - Simone Rebello

Cedric Thorpe Davie, John Maxwell Geddes, Gareth Wood, Eric Whitacre, Adam Gorb, Martin Ellerby, Leonard Bernstein

CDs £5.00 each from Tŷ Cerdd – Music Centre Wales, tel: 029 2063 5640

National Youth Wind Orchestra of Wales on tour!

The National Youth Wind Orchestra of Wales will be holding its annual residential course in Luxembourg during the Easter vacation. The Orchestra will be directed by Luxembourgish composer/conductor Marco Putz and feature Philippe Scharz as soloist. Philippe, originally from Luxembourg and currently principal trumpet with the BBC National Orchestra of Wales, will give the first performance of a specially commissioned concerto by Gareth Glyn at Trifolion, Echternach's newly opened concert hall. The NYWOW's programme also includes works by composers from Wales, such as Gareth Wood, and from Luxembourg, including Roland Wiltgen and Marco Putz.

Gilbert & Sullivan Choral Workshop
Saturday 7th February 2009, 9.30am - 4.00pm
at the Wales Millennium Centre

Dr. David Russell Hulme will direct this workshop for amateur music theatre societies and choirs - it will interest Musical Directors particularly but will incorporate choral training as well. David Russell Hulme would like to work in a master class style for part of the day; if you would like to bring solo pieces to perform please send copies of your music to Tŷ Cerdd – Music Centre Wales (Wales Millennium Centre, Bute Place, Cardiff, CF10 5AL), together with the registration slip (available from www.tycerdd.org) as soon as possible.

For more information and a registration form contact Tŷ Cerdd - 029 2063 5648 or rhiannon.mclean@tycerdd.info

Tŷ Cerdd on the Tesco Stage

Amongst the free events at the Millennium Centre over the next few months are several in association with Tŷ Cerdd including; a Chinese New Year Celebration, a performance by the Glerorfa on St David's Day, the choral workshops already mentioned and performances by amateur music societies. All the events are advertised on the Tŷ Cerdd website (www.tycerdd.org/perform), the WMC website (www.wmc.org, click 'Events and Activities', then 'Tesco stage') and the Centre's Tesco Stage brochure. Societies affiliated to Tŷ Cerdd are also offered the opportunity of performing at the National Waterfront Museum in Swansea (www.museumwales.ac.uk/en/swansea/) on the first Sunday of every month.

Welsh Music Industry Day Conferences – January 2009

Following its popularity in 2008, Welsh Music Foundation is once again hosting the Welsh Music Industry Days, designed to address the key issues that matter to the Welsh language music industry and beyond.

FRIDAY, 23 JANUARY 2009, 12.30PM – 5.30PM - GALERI, CAERNARFON

FRIDAY 30 JANUARY 2009, 12.30PM – 5.30PM - NORWEGIAN CHURCH, CARDIFF

The days are FREE to attend, but places are limited. To register for either, email: dai@welshmusicfoundation.com or phone 029 20 494110

http://www.welshmusicfoundation.com/event69/2009-01-23/welsh_music_industry_day_conferences_january_2009/

Download the Carbon Soldier!

The latest effort by the Welsh Assembly to persuade Wales to go green has been a 'Goldie Lookin' Chain' style single produced in the Ty Cerdd recording studio. The single is now available for download at the following site:

<http://www.7digital.com/stores/default.aspx?shop=1093>

For more information on Tŷ Cerdd, go to www.tycerdd.org



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