

Festival Events Diary

*Tickets for some of the events will sell out.
You are advised to book early!*

Friday 24th October 2.30pm – 4.30pm
Baroque Dance Workshop at the Subud
Centre, The Watton, Brecon

Friday 24th October at 5.45pm
Festival Choral Evensong at Brecon
Cathedral

Friday 24th October at 7.30pm
Baroque Ball at Bishop's Meadow

Saturday 25th October 2.00pm – 5.00pm
Orchestral Training Workshop at Theatr
Brycheiniog (open to Festival ticket-holders)

Saturday 25th October at 7.00pm
**Alison McGillivray (cello) and Gary Cooper
(harpsichord)** at St Mary's Church, Brecon.

Sunday 26th October at 7.00pm
Rachel Podger and Friends
J S Bach: Cantatas and Concertos
at Theatr Brycheiniog

Monday 27th October 2.30pm – 5.30pm
Open rehearsal at Theatr Brycheiniog (open
to Festival ticket-holders)

Monday 27th October at 7.00pm
Brecon Baroque Festival Orchestra with
Rachel Podger at Theatr Brycheiniog
Bach, Vivaldi and Torelli

Inspired by the Georgian architectural heritage of Brecon, this four-day event features outstanding international performers, including violinist Rachel Podger, soprano Elin Manahan Thomas, harpsichordist Gary Cooper and cellist Alison McGillivray, as well as the annual Baroque Ball, where the revelry is led by dance expert Peter Brock. The Festival opens with a special Festival Evensong at Brecon Cathedral and concludes with a concert given by the Brecon Baroque Festival Orchestra, directed by Rachel Podger, which will include dazzling violin and cello concertos by Vivaldi and Bach's glorious Orchestral Suite No.1 in C major.

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Brycheiniog

Brecon Baroque Festival 2008



Rachel Podger and friends

*Friday 24th - Monday 27th
October, 2008
Brecon, Powys*

FESTIVAL EVENTS

Friday 24th October 2008, 2.30pm – 4.30pm

Baroque Dance Workshop at the Subud Centre, Brecon

As a pre-cursor to the ball in the evening, you might like to take part in the Baroque dance workshop where you can learn some 17th and 18th Century dances.

Tickets: £4.00 (free to Ball ticket-holders)

Friday 24th October 2008, at 5.45pm

Festival Choral Evensong at Brecon Cathedral

Beautiful choral and instrumental music by Henry Purcell and his teacher John Blow (1649 - 1708), performed by the Cathedral Choir and the Brecon Baroque Festival String Ensemble directed by Mark Duthie, with organist Meirion Wynn Jones. There will be a retiring collection.

Friday 24th October 2008, at 7.30pm

The Baroque Ball at Bishop's Meadow, Brecon

Traditionally a great evening out, this event features traditional Baroque and country dancing led by Peter Brock, accompanied by live Baroque musicians. Ticket price includes buffet with wine - Baroque costume is optional!

Tickets: £20.00

Saturday 25th October 2008, 2.00pm – 5.00pm

Orchestral Training Workshop at Theatr Brycheiniog with Rachel Podger

Open to Festival ticket-holders as spectators.

Saturday 25th October 2008, at 7.00pm

Alison McGillivray (cello) and Gary Cooper (harpsichord) at St. Mary's Church

A recital of sublime instrumental masterpieces by Johann Sebastian Bach, including the Cello Suites in E flat major and C major as well as the Partitas for Harpsichord in B flat major and E minor, given by two internationally acclaimed period instrumentalists.

Tickets: £12.50 - £7.50

Sunday 26th October 2008, at 7.00pm

Rachel Podger and Friends at Theatr Brycheiniog - J.S.Bach

Rachel Podger (violin), Elin Manahan Thomas (soprano), Katy Bircher (flute), Alison McGillivray (cello) and Gary Cooper (harpsichord)

A wonderful programme of music for soprano, violin, flute, harpsichord and strings by J.S. Bach: the Cantatas "Ich habe genug" and "Non sa chi dolore", the Violin Concerto in A minor, the Harpsichord Concerto in D major and the Orchestral Suite in B minor. Following the huge success of last year's concert, violinist Rachel Podger is once again joined by the fabulous Welsh soprano Elin Manahan Thomas and other leading Baroque musicians, including the flautist Katy Bircher, cellist Alison McGillivray and harpsichordist Gary Cooper.

Tickets: £15.00 - £10.00

Monday 27th October 2008, 2.30pm – 5.30pm

Open Rehearsal at Theatr Brycheiniog

Come and watch the orchestra being put through its paces for the evening concert! Open to Festival ticket-holders.

Monday 27th October 2008, at 7.00pm

Brecon Baroque Festival Orchestra with Rachel Podger at Theatre Brycheiniog - Bach, Vivaldi and Torelli

Baroque orchestral masterpieces, including a stunning violin concerto from Vivaldi's "La Cetra", Bach's Orchestral Suite No 1 in C major and music by one of this year's "anniversary composers" Guisepppe Torelli (1658 – 1709). Cellist Alison McGillivray also returns as soloist in another concerto by Vivaldi. Rachel Podger leads the final concert in this year's Brecon Baroque Festival as director of a specially assembled Baroque orchestra made up of young professionals, specialist music students from London and Cardiff, leading players from various local youth orchestras and local Baroque musicians.

Tickets: £12.50 - £7.50

Venues

Subud Hall - Canal Bank, Brecon LD3 7HH

Brecon Cathedral - The Cathedral Close, Brecon, LD3 9DP

St. Mary's Church - centre of Brecon
Theatr Brycheiniog - Canal Wharf, Brecon, LD3 7EW

Bishop's Meadow - Hay Rd, Brecon, LD3 9SW