

**ROYAL SCHOOL OF CHURCH MUSIC  
LONDON AREA**

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To: Music Leader or Director of Music

Dear Sir/ Madam.

**RSCM LONDON FESTIVAL  
9<sup>th</sup> May 2009, St Paul's Cathedral**

Arrangements for the festival to be held next year are well advanced which will be conducted by Andrew Carwood, the Cathedral's Director of Music. This is the first festival to be organised by the new London-wide RSCM committee and we hope that singers from all churches in the Diocese will take part and be supported by their clergy and congregations. Please encourage other church choirs, who are not yet RSCM members, to participate.

The poster with this letter gives details of the music.

At this stage please will you:

1. Ask your vicar and parish administrator to give this event priority and keep the day clear in the parish diary for 2009.
2. Display the poster at your church and publicise the event to your musicians, singers and congregations.
3. Make a note of those singers who register an interest. A form has been provided but that is simply to help you gauge interest and estimate numbers. We will not require individual names.
4. Send me an *email* by Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November with the name of your church and an indicative number of singers who have expressed an interest in participating. Note this does not represent a commitment at this stage.

This will assist us with planning and the commissioning of a booklet with the music for the service. It is estimated that the cost of this will be in the region of £4.50 per copy to cover costs associated with copyright, preparation and printing. Even if you have the odd item in your music library this will represent a considerable saving over purchasing the individual pieces which would cost in excess of £10 per singer.

A second communication will go out before the end of 2008 with an order form for the booklets and other information including dates and venues for the local rehearsals. It is anticipated that the booklets will be available for distribution by February 2009.

I very much look forward to receiving your replies to this invitation by 5<sup>th</sup> November.

Yours truly,

Stephanie Hatcher.  
Hon. Sec

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## FESTIVAL EVENSONG

St Paul's Cathedral

Saturday 9th May 2009

Assembly 1300 Service 1700

Conductor: Andrew Carwood

Music:

- Be thou my vision B. Chilcott
- Responses: R. Ayleward
- Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis G. Dyson in D
- Achieved is the glorious work J. Haydn
- Grant to your servants, O Lord R. Lloyd
- plus hymns and psalms

A booklet will be available at a cost of around £4.50.

Free admission tickets will be provided to all singers who must attend one of the local rehearsals, to be arranged, in the month prior to the festival.

***Please register your interest in participating with your music leader or director of music by 31st October 2008***

