

February '22

My apologies to you all for this eNewsletter being delayed by a few days and not in its usual format. Things have been a bit chaotic over the past couple of weeks, so please indulge me with the brevity of this email listing my recommended events for you to enjoy.

Tuesday 8th February. 11.00am for 11.30am. Arts Society Highland talk at Nairn Community and Arts Centre. The Genius of Robert Adam (Furniture) - online talk by Janusz Karkzewski - Slowikowski (acknowledged expert and lecturer on antique furniture).

Friday 11 February at 7.30pm. The Osprey Music Society in Boat of Garten Community Hall. Broen Ensemble. A young and exciting string ensemble based in Scotland. Formed in 2017 they strive to perform works that are less well-known or rarely played, alongside the more familiar masterpieces. Bartok, Tchaikovsky and Schubert.

Sunday 13 February at 3.00pm. Scottish Chamber Orchestra Family Concert at Eden Court. Enjoy all the fun-filled musical adventures of our favourite dog-and-cat duo – live!

When their flute-playing neighbour heads to La Scala Opera House in Milan to judge the competition for the Greatest Orchestra in the World, Stan and Mabel decide to follow – and to create their very own Animal Orchestra along the way!

Monday 14 February at 7.15pm. Eden Court Scala Cinema. Royal Ballet on Screen. Romeo and Juliet.

Thursday 17 February at 7.30pm. **St Stephen's Church (corner of Southside Road and Old Edinburgh Road)** musicinverness presents the Elmore String Quartet in a concert supported by the Tunnell Trust for Young Musicians. The Elmore Quartet are a vibrant and driven young quartet who are Junior Fellows in Chamber Music at the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester. They are playing works by Webern, Britten and, after the interval Beethoven's String Quartet No 15 in A minor, Op 132. This concert is the second of six in their Tunnell Trust Tour starting on Wednesday 16 February with Orkney Arts Society, and after Inverness goes to Newtonmore (St Bride's Church), Music Nairn (Community and Arts Centre), Cromarty Arts Trust (The Stables) and ending with Aberdeen Chamber Music Concerts on Monday 21 February - all concerts at 7.30pm except Cromarty at 3.00pm. See attached poster (please print and display in your community)

Friday 18 February at 7.00pm. Eden Court Empire Theatre. Scottish Ensemble. Tchaikovsky by Heart. Sixty minutes with no interval played from memory of music by Elgar, Caroline Shaw and Tchaikovsky.

Saturday 19 February at 1.00pm. Inverness Old High Church. Cello Extravaganza from Katy Bell, Kate Ellingson, Ian Sharp and Catherine Wilmers with members of the Ness Sinfonia. See attached poster. Admission by donation of £7.50 at the door.

Friday 25 February at 1.00pm. Inverness Old High Church. At One With Music presents a lunchtime piano recital by Nina Savicevic. After studying at the Rimsky Korsakov Conservatoire in St Petersburg and at Wells Cathedral School, the British born pianist Nina Savicevic is currently in her final year at the Royal Northern college of Music in Manchester. Her programme for At One With Music features works by Debussy, Chopin and Liszt as well as Beethoven's Pastorale Sonata. Admission by donation of £7.50 at the door. **Many of you will already be aware that Inverness Old High Church is due to join the long list of churches that are being closed for a variety of reasons. This piano recital is likely to be the last musical event in the Old High for the foreseeable future. PLEASE come and join us as we say "au revoir" to this beautiful and distinguished venue whose future has yet to be decided.**

Finally, a teaser! Please keep vacancies in your diaries between Sunday 24 April and Friday 6 May. Other than that, all I am going to say is that we have something very special lined up for you.