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WELCOME TO OUR WEEKEND WORKSHOP & MASTER CLASS ON BRITTEN WAR REQUIEM

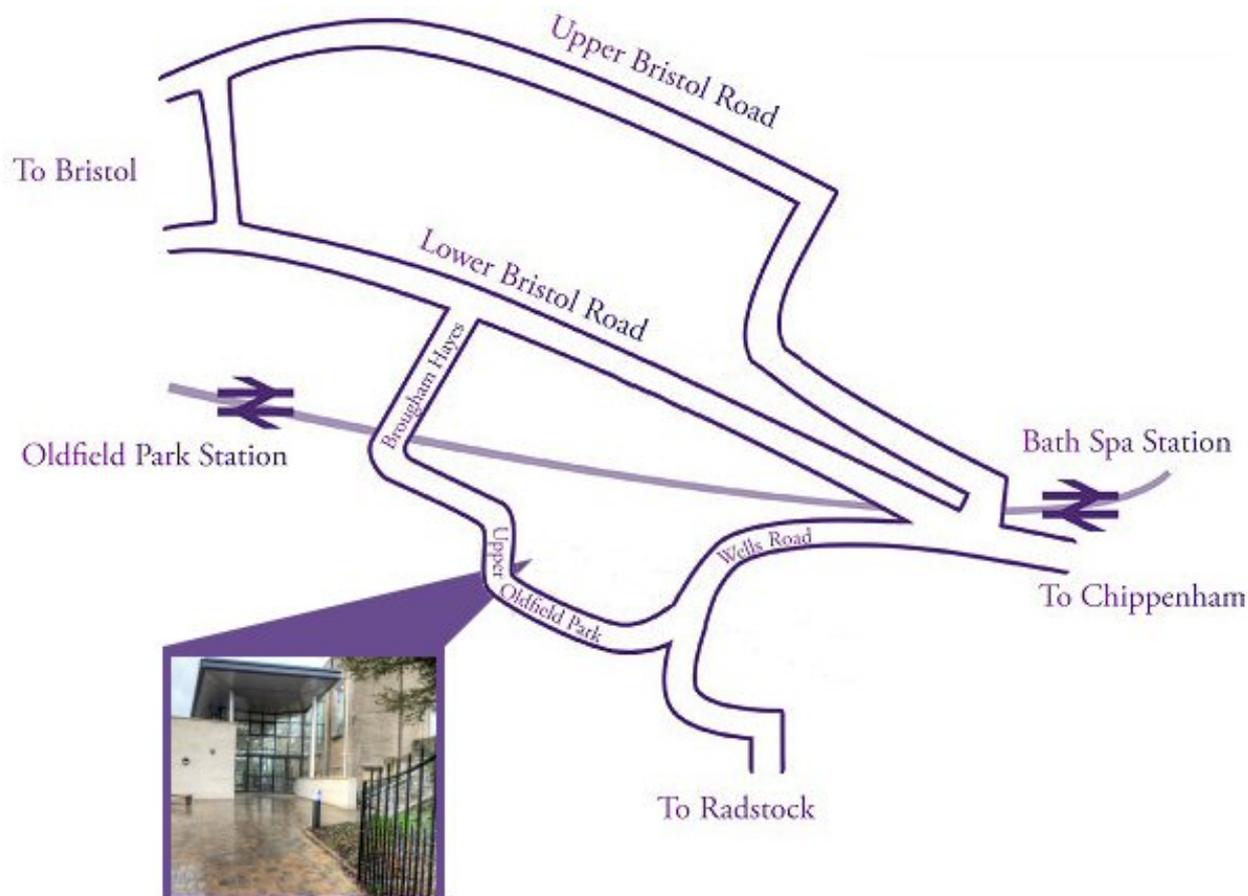
It is important to recognise that this weekend will include open master-classes with the soloists, which everyone may witness and follows in their scores. This will bring a new insight into this amazing work, not least because we are privileged to have world famous bass-baritone John Shirley-Quirk with us on Saturday afternoon. John, who now lives near Bath (his wife Terry is the General Manager of Bath Philharmonia) has been closely associated with Britten and indeed created many roles. His input will be invaluable.

Details of the weekend are as follows:

1. **The Venue** is the Roper Theatre, in the West Wing at Hayesfield Girls's School - see attached map for full details. This is a new extension to the older school building and has every facility, including the excellent Roper Theatre, which has retractable tip-up seating, green rooms, a refectory opening on to a terrace and the usual toilets etc.
2. **Parking:** The school does not have a general car park and parking is only available in the surrounding residential area. Parking in Upper Oldfield Park, which is the road in which the school is situated, is resident-restricted on Saturday but not on Sunday, Do try to share cars if you can or travel by bus or train (see map overleaf).
3. **Food:** There will be the usual coffee and tea breaks, for which drinks will be provided. Bath Minerva Choir members will set this out in the refectory and any volunteer help will be appreciated. We have no access to the kitchen, but urns are available. To avoid us having to provide plastic cups, which are not environmentally friendly, it is suggested that each singer brings a mug, to be washed and looked after personally. Do help to keep the rooms tidy and take all your belongings home with you on leaving.
4. **Lunch Break:** This will be from 1.00 to 2.00 each day. Bring your own food if possible. There is a good shopping area in Moorland Road, not far from the school - Google "Shopping in Oldfield Park, Bath" to see details and a map.
5. **Timetable: Sat 13 July - 9.30am for 10.00am:** Check in and obtain scores from reception desk in the entrance foyer. Scores hire £5 - cheques payable Bath Minerva Choir. If you arrive with a choral score, you will be asked to hire a vocal score, as choral scores are not acceptable. The Roper Theatre is on the floor below - take the stairs or the lift. Gavin Carr will seat singers. The Workshop ends at 5.pm.
6. **Sun 14 July: 9.45 for 10.00am:** Workshop continues. After lunch, we continue until 3.pm break for tea and then re-gather for an open Run-Through for family and friends. Tickets for this are £5 on the door and do encourage your friends to support us. **It is emphasised that this is not a performance;** no one is expected to have this work fully learned and Gavin will make it clear to the audience that this is, as stated, an open Run-through, which will be an enjoyable and rewarding climax to the weekend's work.
7. **Dress:** Whatever you usually wear for choir rehearsals. The same applies to the open Run-Through.
8. **Contact:** Email Joanna Wiesner email jmwmusic@me.com
Contact by phone: 01225 444190 until Friday night 12 July, after then use mobile only 07973 326350

Enjoy the weekend!

Joanna Wiesner
Secretary/Events Manager
Bath Minerva Choir



The West Wing

HAYESFIELD UPPER SCHOOL WEST WING (THE ROPER THEATRE)

Please note: there are two Hayesfield Schools - the Lower School, in Brougham Hayes, which is not marked on this map, **is not the one you want**. Make for **Hayesfield Upper School** in Upper Oldfield Park, is clearly marked above with a point and is now known as Upper Oldfield Park Campus. We are using the West Wing, in which is the Roper Theatre, where the Workshop will be held.

If you drive from Lower Bristol Road into Brougham Hayes, you will see Hayesfield Lower School on your left. **Pass this by and continue on up the hill**. From Brougham Hayes, follow left into Lower Oldfield Park, then 2nd right into Upper Oldfield Park (the 1st turning is Junction Road) to Hayesfield Upper School on your left hand side. The new West Wing adjoins the older original building, and the entrance to the West Wing is pictured above. Come in via the glass doors and you will see our reception desk facing you. The Roper Theatre is on the lower ground floor, via stairs or lift.

Parking outside the school in Upper Oldfield Park is resident-restricted on weekdays, but not on Sundays. It is possible to find parking in the neighbouring residential area. Or use the bus from Bath Bus Station (service no.15 or 18) or the train service from Bath Spa to Oldfield Park Station, which is within walking distance of the school.

The Upper School's address is:

Hayesfield Girls' School

Upper Oldfield Park Campus (including The West Wing)

Upper Oldfield Park

Bath BA2 3LA