



Colne Valley Youth Orchestra News

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## Arts Centre concert marks 30th birthdays

The Colne Valley Youth Orchestra and Colchester Arts Centre are both celebrating their thirtieth birthday year with a special afternoon concert on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

The concert, at Colchester Arts Centre, gives an opportunity for the orchestra to perform some of its new repertoire and includes some exciting and ambitious works. The centrepiece of the performance will be the playing of "Kol Nidrei" by Max Bruch which is a beautiful work for solo 'cello and orchestra. The soloist is Alice Hildreth, 18 year old daughter of the musical director, who is giving her first performance of this work. Alice, who is principal 'cellist in

the orchestra, has been a member of the orchestra for eight years.

Musical Director Nigel Hildreth says "We have a well established tradition of giving solos to our members and this is a particularly appropriate work. This concert gives lots of musical opportunities to the entire orchestra as it includes Schubert's Unfinished symphony (first movement) the Bacchanale from Samson and Delilah by Saint Saens and Sir Malcolm Arnold's Little Suite for Orchestra."

Nigel is joined on the podium by Jonathan Abbott who will be sharing the direction of the orchestra.

As well as the "serious" works, the orchestra will be performing lighter pieces including "The Best of the Beatles" and "Pirates of the Caribbean".

The concert, at 2:30pm on the 27<sup>th</sup> March is also a special one as it marks part of the diversity of events at Colchester Arts Centre with the flexibility of the venue stretched in a different direction for this special occasion. Tickets are available from Colchester Arts Centre at £10, telephone 01206 500900. Proceeds from the concert go towards the costs of taking the orchestra on tour.



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