

# !NOW HEAR THIS!

Friday 13 June 2025, 1.00pm

## One Small Step for Man...



- Hear The Hallé orchestra play some of the most amazing music ever written
- Come and **Play**, and **Sing**, and **Dance** with the orchestra
- Take your school's **Whole Class Ensemble Teaching** to another level
- Bring a **Hallé** player to your school with **Meet-a-Musician**
- Support **Arts Award (Discover and Explore)** in your schools

**Now Hear This** is a fun-packed, fast-paced introduction to classical music and the instruments of the orchestra for Key Stage 2 children aged 7-11, with the chance to join the world famous Hallé orchestra in making a sensational sound. This year's theme is a musical journey through space, with two instrumental pieces to play along with, two songs to sing, and a Space Dance to get you moving.

So you can get a taste of what to expect and start to prepare for the concert we have created a playlist on [Spotify](#).

To help you learn the participatory pieces in the classroom, all the resources will be available to download from the Nottinghamshire Music Hub web site.

**After you have booked your tickets, we'll send you the password to access the resources.**

**Now Hear This** also offers the unique opportunity to **Meet the Musician**, when a Hallé player visits your school, as well as providing support materials for students taking the **Discover** and **Explore Arts Awards**.

### The Music, performed by The Hallé:

RICHARD STRAUSS – Also Sprach Zarathustra  
GUSTAV HOLST – Jupiter (from The Planets)  
VARIOUS, ARR. R GRAFF – Space Dance  
BENJAMIN BRITTEN – Dawn (from Four Sea Interludes)  
LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN – Movement 1 (from Symphony No. 5)\*  
GUSTAV HOLST – Venus (from The Planets)  
MARC WINSTANLEY – Stars†  
DELIA DERBYSHIRE – Doctor Who Theme  
GUSTAV HOLST – Mars (from The Planets)\*  
BENJAMIN BRITTEN – Storm (from Four Sea Interludes)  
AARON COPLAND – Fanfare For The Common Man  
LUCY SPRAGGAN – Lucky Stars†  
JOHN WILLIAMS – Main Title (from Star Wars)

\*Come and Play  
†Come And Sing

Conductor Euan Shields  
Presenter Ruth Rosales

# What's on offer...

There are two ways you can take part:

## Come and Play

If your school is taking part in Whole Class Ensemble Teaching (WCET) and/or you have young musicians, then your players can join the Hallé in the performances of **Ludwig van Beethoven's** *Symphony No. 5* and **Gustav Holst's** *Mars from The Planets*

To book to Come and Play, fill in Form A on page 3.

## Come and Sing

Everyone comes along to watch the concert and gets a chance to perform with the Hallé when we'll all be singing Marc Winstanley's *Stars* and Lucy Spraggan's *Lucky Stars*.

To book to Come and Sing, fill in Form B on page 4.

Tickets for the concert are just **£3** per person (all pupils and Staff/Adults will need tickets). Each group booking will receive an Information Pack, with links to the learning resources and playlists, so you can prepare to enjoy all the music in the concert.

**PLEASE NOTE: If you are bringing pupils to both 'Come and Sing' and 'Come and Play' please complete both forms (A and B) to book your tickets.**

## For Nottinghamshire County schools

Your Inspire instrumental/WCET tutors will devote some time to coaching each group of players or singers before the concert. If you do not have Inspire tutors visiting and need any additional support, please contact [nottsmusicclub@inspireculture.org.uk](mailto:nottsmusicclub@inspireculture.org.uk)

## For Nottingham City / Out of County / Independent / Home Education

Your Music Leader or class teacher(s) will need to teach your pupils the music and/or songs before the concert. If you need any additional support, please contact [George.Matthews@nottinghamcity.gov.uk](mailto:George.Matthews@nottinghamcity.gov.uk)

You can also book:

## Meet-a-Musician (Nottinghamshire County Schools only)

All pupils can get to know The Hallé orchestra better by meeting one of its musicians.

A Meet-a-Musician workshop is designed for a class of 30 pupils and involves a visit from a Hallé player, who will demonstrate their instrument and tell the pupils about life as a professional musician. The class will have the opportunity to ask questions, hear the musician perform and take part in a range of musical games and activities. Each workshop lasts for one hour and there will be up to two workshops available per school. A 'Meet-a-Musician' workshop will also contribute towards your students' Arts Award journey.

# Booking Form A: Come and Play

**Please note**, if your school is also bringing non-instrumentalists to 'Come and Sing' in the concert, then please use Booking form B on Page 4 to book places for those students and staff.

**There will be a 'Come and Play' rehearsal in the Concert Hall at 12pm.**

Please see the FAQs on page 5 for arrival times. Full details of all timings will also be sent before the concert.

**We are:** Notts County school / Nottm City school / Independent school / Home Education / Other County

**Teacher Name:**

**Name of School:**

**School Address:**

**Postcode:**

**E-mail address** (preferably the music leader's):

**Tel. No:**

Enter the number of instrumentalists you will be bringing below. All places, including staff, are £3 each.

- Use a new line for each different instrument.
- You cannot bring more performers than you actually have instruments for.
- An adult (they can be non-playing) must be seated with each group of instruments (wind, brass, etc.).

Instrument	No. of players	Year Group(s)	No. of staff
<b>Total players:</b>		<b>Total Staff:</b>	

Please reserve these seats and send us an invoice: Yes/No  
 (invoices must be paid at least 1 month before the event)

Please phone the school to take a payment by card: Yes/No (this option will be mandatory after 13 May)

I enclose a cheque made payable to the 'Royal Centre' for £.....

## Meet-a-Musician

We would like to meet a Hallé musician: Yes/No

## Now return the form to:

George Matthews, Royal Concert Hall, Theatre Square, Nottingham NG1 5ND.

[George.Matthews@nottinghamcity.gov.uk](mailto:George.Matthews@nottinghamcity.gov.uk)

You will receive a booking confirmation once we have processed your form(s).



# Booking Form B: Come and Sing

Use this form for those students and staff who are coming to the concert but who will not be playing a musical instrument during the 'Come and Play' pieces. Everyone gets to sing with the Hallé in the concert.

**Please note:** If you are also bringing instrumentalists to take part in the 'Come and Play' performance then please also complete Booking form A on Page 3 to book places for those students and staff.

**We are:** Notts County school / Nottm City school / Independent school / Home Education / Other County

**Teacher Name:**

**Name of School:**

**School Address:**

**Postcode:**

**E-mail address** (preferably the music leader's):

**Tel. No:**

**No. of tickets @ £3 each** (staff and pupils):

**Year Group(s):**

Please reserve these seats and send us an invoice: Yes/No  
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## Frequently Asked Questions:

- **Do we have to pay for tickets for teachers as well?** Yes, everyone who will be attending the performance will need their own ticket.
- **When will we be able to download learning materials for the concert?**  
Once you have booked your tickets, you will be sent a link and a password to download these from the Inspire Nottinghamshire Music Hub web site.  
You will also receive a Teacher's Information Pack with all these links and more information about the concert.
- **What time do we need to arrive?** If you are bringing instruments to **Come and Play**, you need to be in the Hall and ready to play in the rehearsal at 12pm, so we advise that you should arrive from 11am.  
If you are bringing pupils to **Come and Sing** in the concert, you will need to be in the Hall and in your seats for the start of the concert at 1.00pm, so we advise that you arrive from 12.00pm.
- **What should we all do during the concert?** Sit quietly and listen to the amazing musicians of the Hallé play the pieces you will have learnt about and heard from the [playlist](#) and applaud them at the end of each piece. Listen to the presenter when she talks between the pieces, as there will be plenty of audience participation! When it comes to your turn to Play or Sing, enjoy your part of the performance. At the end of the concert, applaud the presenter, conductor and musicians to thank them for an hour of great music, then you can leave the Hall.
- **When will Meet-a-Musician happen?**  
The Hallé will contact schools who have chosen Meet-a-Musician after we have received your booking form. The Hallé will aim to schedule the workshops in the Summer term before the concert. The timing of the visit will depend on the musicians' availability and the range of dates available in the school's calendar.
- **How do we know where we'll be sitting in the Concert Hall?**  
You will be sent a seating plan for your school in June before the concert. **Come and Players** will be sat in the Stalls according to instrument group. So, for example, if you are bringing string players and brass players, they will be sat with other schools' string and brass players. **Come and Singers** will be sat together in their school groups in Tier 1 and Tier 2, above the players.
- **What is the policy for taking photos/filming on the day?** You are only allowed to take photographs/record your own group/school. You can take photos of the Hallé (without a flash), but no filming of the musicians please.  
The Hallé may take photographs or video footage of the school children at the Now Hear This concert. Images may be used by the Hallé for publicity and promotion, and on the Hallé's website, Facebook, Instagram and Twitter accounts. If you have any questions, please get in touch with The Hallé's Education Administrator Rachel Graff at [rachel.graff@halle.co.uk](mailto:rachel.graff@halle.co.uk)
- **What time should we arrange for the buses and coaches to collect us?** The Concert will last around 70 minutes. As it is a live event, it may finish a few minutes later. Your buses and coaches will be able to wait outside the Concert Hall for you. There is no need to leave the Hall before the end of the concert.
- **When will the Arts Award support materials be available?** The Discover / Explore Arts Award materials will be available for free to any Nottinghamshire County schools. Please contact [nottsmusichub@inspireculture.org.uk](mailto:nottsmusichub@inspireculture.org.uk) for more information.