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25 October - 30 November 2016







TUESDAY 25 OCTOBER 2016, 7.30PM BARBICAN CENTRE, SILK ST, LONDON EC2Y 8DS

BALKAN BLAZE

The 4th London Festival of Bulgarian Culture opens with an unmissable one-off musical conflagration

Sparks fly as Nigel Kennedy's violin collides with Georgi Andreev's Bulgarian gudoulka fiddle. The London Bulgarian Choir's raw folk harmonies swirl around the sophisticated precision of the Philharmonia Orchestra. Soloists Vania Vatralova-Stankov and Dessislava Stefanova bewitch you with their powerful, glorious voices.

Nigel Kennedy

Georgi Andreev

Vania Vatralova-Stankov soprano

Dessislava Stefanova traditional vocals

London Bulgarian Choir Led by Dessislava Stefanova

Philharmonia Orchestra Conducted by Rossen Milanov

PROGRAMME

In this fiery brew of Balkan passions you'll hear:

Georgi Andreev – World Premiere of Bowed Harmonies, work for violin, gudoulka fiddle, choir and orchestra

Kiril Todorov – Koledarska; Byalo Rade; Prayer, Dragana I Slaveya (Philip Koutev); Three Folk Songs

Krassimir Kyurkchiiski - Kalimanku, Denku

Pancho Vladigerov – Sarabande; Northern Song and March from Classic and Romantic

Marin Goleminov – Demna's Sorrow from the ballet suite The Firedancer Vittorio Monti – Czardas

TICKET INFORMATION:

£15-55 plus booking fee*

Booking fees: £3 online, £4 by telephone. There is no fee when tickets are booked in person from the box office.' Book at www.barbican.org.uk, www.lfbc.eu, or CALL Box Office: 020 7638 8891





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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2016, 8 PM - VUE CINEMA WEST END, 3 CRANBOURN STREET, LEICESTER SQUARE, LONDON WC2H 7AL



GALA EVENING FOR THE PRESENTATION OF THE TV SERIES "UNDERCOVER" IN LONDON'S WEST END

Featuring the stars of the TV series Ivaylo Zahariev, Zahari Baharov, Vladimir Penev, Marian Vulev, Boyko Krustanov, the producers of "Undercover" and other special guests.

The Bulgarian Cultural Institute London is organising a Gala Screening of the most successful Bulgarian TV project "Undercover". Produced by Bulgarian National Television

The event is part of the programme of the London Festival of Bulgarian Culture 2016.

"Undercover" will be presented with a gala screening in the heart of London's theatre and cinema district.

Fans will have the opportunity to meet the stars of the TV series Ivaylo Zahariev, Zahari Baharov, Vladimir Penev, Marian Vulev, Boyko Krustanov, the producers of "Undercover" and other special guests. The venue chosen for the screening is one of the most popular cinemas for world film premieres in London - VUE West End. It is located in the heart of Leicester Square. The first season of "Undercover" began in 2011. Currently the show is watched in 186 countries worldwide.



Gala Screening

Friday, Nov 4, 2016, 8 pm



TICKET INFORMATION:

£20.96

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SOFIA GALLERY, BULGARIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE LONDON 186-188 QUEEN'S GATE, LONDON SW7 5HL

BCI ASSOCIATE PROGRAMME

Exhibition Opening

The Process of Becoming by Rozalina Burkova

Friday, October 21, 2016 7 pm, Sofia Gallery - FREE entry

Illustrations and models by the young Bulgarian artist and designer Rozalina Burkova

Book Launch and Exhibition Opening

"Faraway Songs" by Margi Rousseva

Friday, October 28, 2016 7 pm, Sofia Gallery - FREE entry

Theatre Performance

"Mrs. Natural Disaster"

Starring: Stoyanka Mutafova, Iren Krivoshieva and Nikolay Atanasov -

Please note this performance is in Bulgarian language only.

Friday, November 18, 2016

7 pm, Halls of the Bulgarian Embassy Bookings at: nkostadinov.yapsody.com

Exhibition Opening

"Senses Thirst"

Friday, November 11, 2016

Painting, sculpture, graphics, watercolor

The Nataly Gallery will present its artists to the public at the Bulgarian

Cultural Institute London

7 pm, Sofia Gallery - FREE entry

Theatre Performance

"The Journey to Aphrodite"

Friday, November 25, 2016

By the Bulgarian actress Boyka Velkova

7 pm, Sofia Gallery - FREE entry



TICKET INFORMATION:

FREE ENTRY to all BCI associated programme

Bookings at: nkostadinov.yapsody.com (November 11) VISIT: www.bcilondon.co.uk

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www.b-bs.org.uk

The British-Bulgarian Society celebrated its Diamond Jubilee in 2012.

It is a non-political organization which aims to promote understanding and cultural relations between the people of Britain and Bulgaria.

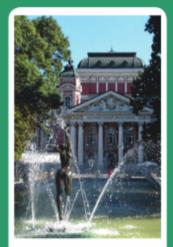
It runs a programme of special interest tours to Bulgaria, including:

- birdwatching
- butterflies
- · wine and food
- · folklore festivals
- archaeology

Proceeds from the tours are donated to a variety of conservation and educational projects.

The Society also organizes social and cultural events.

Do join us!









THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 6PM – 9 PM, PRIVATE VIEW, LUBOMIROV / ANGUS-HUGHES GALLERY: 26 LOWER CLAPTON RD, LONDON E5 OPD

LFBC ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE A NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH ARTIST AND CURATOR IAVOR LUBOMIROV OF LUBOMIROV / ANGUSHUGHES GALLERY WHERE EXCITING INTERNATIONAL ARTISTS WILL BE CURATED AS PART OF THE COMING FESTIVAL EDITIONS.

LIFESTYLES AND STILL LIFE

Exhibition opened from November 3 until November 27

Exceptionally staged and promising a cornucopia of gastronomic and visual experiences, the still life is a projection of social and lifestyle yearning. Each and every object is there in order to fill the viewer's eye with desire, every time, eternally, and to thus give weight to a constant sense of wellbeing and comfort. This vision is also a picture, created by the picture itself, the reality of which exists to remind us of the physical and material transience, which the act of consuming attempts to postpone every day.

Rada Boukova	Alexandrov	Genov
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ABOUT THE GALLERY

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LUBOMIROV / ANGUS-HUGHES is a charitable organisation dedicated to contemporary curation. We see curators as localised experts in a global and increasingly complex contemporary art world. Since 2010 we have worked with a diverse set of curators, aiming to thus present a wider picture of art today and to engage the public in dialogue about and through art. We also invite curatorial projects by artists, art critics, collectors, gallerists, academics and other members of the art world, who both wield influence in the shaping of new art and have a uniquely valuable perspective on current and future state.

TICKET INFORMATION:

FREE entry





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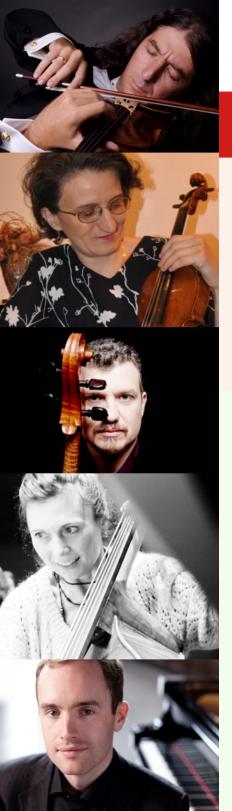
CONWAY HALL SUNDAY CONCERTS



A musical journey along the Danube: through Bulgaria and beyond...

Sunday 6 November, 6.30pm Sunday 13 November, 6.30pm Sunday 20 November, 6.30pm

A musical journey exploring some of the finest chamber music will bring together an array of wellknown British and Bulgarian musicians from all over Europe. Three concerts on consecutive Sundays in November showcase the three most famous piano quintets by Schubert, Brahms and Dvořák.





CONWAY HALL CHAMBER CONCERTS SERIES – CONCERT 1 SUNDAY 6 NOVEMBER, 6.30PM CONWAY HALL, 25 RED LION SQUARE, LONDON WC1R 4RL

A MUSICAL JOURNEY ALONG THE DANUBE: THROUGH BULGARIA AND BEYOND...

The first concert will feature Bulgarian string players and a British pianist: violinist Evgeniy Chevkenov (Professor at Richard Wagner Conservatoire, Vienna), Alexander Somov (Principal cellist at Strasbourg Philharmonic), violist Devorina Gamalova (Professor at Birmingham Conservatoire), pianist Simon Callaghan (Artistic director of Conway Hall Sunday Concerts), and double bass player Julita Fasseva (member of Royal Flemish Philharmonic). The programme will feature works for violin and piano by Drdla and Kreisler, Haydn's 'Gypsy' Piano Trio, Dobrinka Tabakova's 'Insight' String Trio, and Schubert's 'Trout' Quintet.

Evgeniy Chevkenov

Devorina Gamalova *viola*

Alexander Somov

Julita Fasseva

Simon Callaghan piano

PROGRAMME

Joseph Haydn – Piano Trio in G major, Op. 73 No. 2 "Gypsy"
Franz Drdla – Souvenir & Serenade in A major
Dobrinka Tabakova – Insight – String Trio
Fritz Kreisler – La Gitana and Schön Rosmarin
Franz Schubert – Quintet in A D667 'Trout'

TICKET INFORMATION:

 $\pmb{\mathfrak{L}10},$ Free entry for under-26s (courtesy of the CAVATINA Ticket Scheme, further details on website)

For more information:

www.lfbc.eu

http://conwayhall.org.uk/events/category/sunday-concerts/

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CONWAY HALL CHAMBER CONCERTS SERIES – CONCERT 2 SUNDAY 13 NOVEMBER, 6.30PM CONWAY HALL, 25 RED LION SQUARE, LONDON WC1R 4RL

A MUSICAL JOURNEY ALONG THE DANUBE: THROUGH BULGARIA AND BEYOND...

Violinists Pavel Minev (Soloist of Moscow State Philharmonic) and Ivo Stankov (Artistic director of LFBC), together with cellist Guy Johnston (Winner of 'BBC Musician of the year' competition), violist Alexander Zemtsov (Professor at Guildhall School of Music), and pianist Ashley Wass (Laureate at Leeds International Piano Competition), will offer a programme featuring Dohnányi's String Trio, Smetana's 'Macbeth and the Witches' for solo piano, Vladigerov's most famous work – Rhapsody 'Vardar' for violin and piano, and Brahms' celebrated Piano Quintet.

Pavel Minev

violin

Ivo Stankov

Guy Johnston *violoncello*

Ashley Wass

Alexander Zemtsov

viola

PROGRAMME

Ernö Dohnányi – Serenade for String Trio in C, Op. 10
Bedřich Smetana – Macbeth and the Witches
Pancho Vladigerov – Bulgarian Rhapsody 'Vardar', Op. 16
Johannes Brahms – Piano Quintet in F minor, Op. 34

TICKET INFORMATION:

£10, Free entry for under-26s (courtesy of the CAVATINA Ticket Scheme, further details on website)

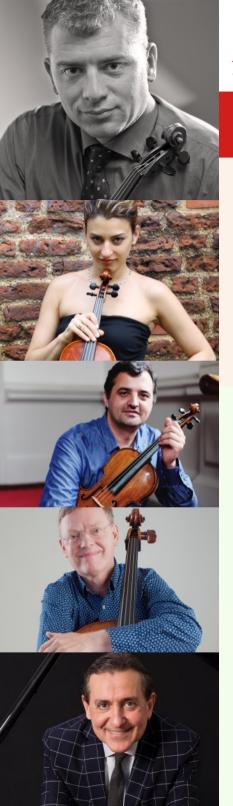
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CONWAY HALL CHAMBER CONCERTS SERIES – CONCERT 3 SUNDAY 20 NOVEMBER, 6.30PM CONWAY HALL, 25 RED LION SQUARE, LONDON WC1R 4RL

A MUSICAL JOURNEY ALONG THE DANUBE: THROUGH BULGARIA AND BEYOND...

The series will be completed on Sunday 20th November by violinist Dimitar Burov (Head of strings at Harrow School in London), his sister violinist Yana Burov (Leader of 'Inspirity' String Quartet), viola player Michael Gieler (Principal at Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra), cellist Gerard Le Feuvre (Director of Kings Chamber Orchestra), and pianist Ludmil Angelov (Laureate at Chopin Piano Competition). The programme will include works by Mozart, Vladigerov, and Dvorak's Piano Quintet.

Dimitar Burov

violin

viola

Yana Burova

Michael Gieler

Gerard Le Feuvre violoncello

Ludmil Angelov piano

PROGRAMME

W. A. Mozart – Sonata for violin and piano Pancho Vladigerov – Piano Trio, Op. 4 Antonin Dvořák – Piano Quintet in A, Op. 81

TICKET INFORMATION:

£10, Free entry for under-26s (courtesy of the CAVATINA Ticket Scheme, further details on website)

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 7PM - 9 PM, LUBOMIROV / ANGUS-HUGHES GALLERY: 26 LOWER CLAPTON RD, LONDON E5 OPD

FILM SCREENING

BY THE GRACE OF GOD / 37'00", UK, 2009 RALITZA PETROVA

Synopsis

'By The Grace Of God' follows the tragic odyssey of Juergen, whose attempt to make contact with his imagined mother, the Queen of England, leads him to a sense of personal crisis, of aporia.

*Official Selection, 62nd Cannes Film Festival (2009)

*Trailblazer Award, Edinburgh International Film Festival (2009)
*solo DVD release at the British Film Institute, Tate Modern, and
the Institute of Contemporary Arts

RALITZA PETROVA / BIOGRAPHY

Born in Bulgaria, Ralitza lives and works between England, Bulgaria, and France. In early life she studied fine art, and later fiction directing at the UK's National Film and Television School. Her films have won acclaim at film festivals such as Cannes, Berlin, and Locarno. In 2007 she was awarded the Prix UIP, Best European Short Film at Berlinale for her film ROTTEN APPLE. Her following film BY THE GRACE OF GOD (2009) premiered in Cannes, and was distributed by the British Film Institute, and Tate Modern. In 2016, her feature debut GODLESS premiered at FF Locarno, where it won the Golden Leopard.

TICKET INFORMATION:

FREE entry





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SUNDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER 2016, 6.30PM ST. MARK'S CHURCH. ST MARK'S PLACE. SW19 7ND

CHARITY CONCERT BY DEVORINA GAMALOVA

A major CHARITY CONCERT organised by BLAGORODNA CHARITY and LONDON FESTIVAL OF BULGARIAN CULTURE in aid of children and students in Bulgaria studying music, violinists in particular, and/or are suffering from diabetes. The program will include popular classical pieces performed by young local talents and by Prof. Gamalova, president of Blagorodna Charity and by our special guest Prof. Nataša Šarčević, piano. There will be a big CHARITY SALE and RECEPTION with Bulgarian banitza, cake and drinks kindly provided by Nikola and Darina Panchev.

Prof. Devorina Gamalova *violin, viola*

Zlatina Stoyanova

Miriam Pancheva

Zlatomir Ivanov

Prof. Nataša Šarčević

Nikolina Sokerova

Hristo Dunev

and others.



Program to include pieces by Bach, Saint-Saens, Kabalevsky, Wieniawski, Vladigerov, Sarasate, etc.

ADMISSION:

Donations (there will be a donation box in which donations can be made at any time from the hall opening till closing) Reservation of seats available on email: fbb@abv.bg

BLAGORODNA CHARITY FOUNDATION

Registered Charity: Bulstat № 1542566; Decision acc to F.D. of the Sofia City Court

BBCF has been founded and registered by D. Gamalova in 2005 in memory of the distinguished Bulgarian violinist Blagorodna Badeva who died very young from diabetes. The funds are raised mainly via charity concerts of the founder, other charity events and personal donations. The Foundation is helping young Bulgarian musicians, violinists in particular, by means of scholarships, awards, free lending of musical instruments and creating performing opportunities in the form of small concerts in social homes. The second aim of the Foundation is to help children and young musicians suffering with diabetes.

Donations from charity events are counted in front of at least one witness, documented and later paid into the Charity account in Bulgaria.









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WEDNESDAY 30 NOVEMBER, 7.30PM CADOGAN HALL, SLOANE TERRACE, LONDON SW1X 9DQ

FROM BACH TO THE BULGARIAN DEEP BASS

Currently, Bulgarian violinists are leaders of 47 of the world's most prestigious orchestras. In this closing LFBC concert, the violinist Svetlin Roussev - leader of the Orchestre Philharmonique de Radio France will perform Haydn's Violin Concerto in C with the London Mozart Players, and will be joined by violinist Ivo Stankov (Leader of Westminster Philharmonic Orchestra and artistic director of LFBC) in Bach's Concerto for Two Violins.

Clarinetist Scott Lygate will give the World Premiere of the first UK Concerto for the Contrabass Clarinet (and the first one to be performed in London) - Soul Searching by Bulgarian/British composer and conductor Martin Georgiev (assistant conductor at ROH Covent Garden and recently Composer in Residence to the City of Heidelberg), who will conduct the concert.

Stabat Mater by Pergolesi and Psalm 13 by Brahms will complete the programme, featuring Bulgarian soprano Vania Vatralova-Stankov and English mezzo-soprano Charlotte Stephenson (Fellow of Independent Opera at Sadler's Wells) joined by two of London's top choirs from St. Paul's Girls and Francis Holland Schools.

Svetlin Roussev

violin

Ivo Stankov violin

Scott Lygate

contrabass clarinet

Vania Vatralova-Stankov

soprano

Charlotte Stephenson mezzo-soprano

Martin Georgiev conductor **London Mozart Players**

Francis Holland Girls School Choir

St. Paul's Girls School Choir

PROGRAMME

J. S. Bach – Concerto for two violins in D minor, BWV 1043

Martin Georgiev – 'Soul Searching', Contrabass Clarinet Concerto World première

Joseph Haydn – Violin concerto in C major
Giovanni Battista Pergolesi – Stabat Mater, for high voices, strings

Brahms - Psalm 13, for high voices, organ and strings

TICKET INFORMATION:

£35, £25, £15, £10

All orders are subject to a transaction fee, except if made in person. Book at www.lfbc.eu or www.cadoganhall.com or call BOX OFFICE: 020 7730 4500

Cadogan Hall, 5 Sloane Terrace, London SW1X 9DQ









EXHIBITION DATES: 13-18 DECEMBER 2016 4 MANDEVILLE PLACE, LONDON W1U 2BF

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HALOCLINES (ASSOCIATED EVENT)

An exhibition exploring the visual and conceptual boundaries that appear between collaborating artists

Address: 4 Mandeville Place, London W1U 2BF

Nearest Tube: Bond Street

Opening Reception:: Tuesday 13th December 5-9pm

Exhibition dates: 13-18 December 2016

Gallery opening times: Tuesday to Sunday 2 to 8pm

Haloclines is a unique form of solo exhibition by artist, curator and gallerist lavor Lubomirov. Through collaborations with six artists, Lubomirov explores the boundaries between his sculptural practice and other art forms such as painting, photography, print, and drawing, while also in this way pondering his own mixed role as both artist and curator and the conflicts and synergies that arise from this. In this exhibition, large paintings and multiple sets of photographs, become art materials for Lubomirov, as he finely cuts and reassembles them into sculptural forms, while his work in turn becomes a surface or geometric outline another artist. Featuring Katrina Blannin, Abigail Box, Lee Edwards, Rab Harling, Valeriya N-Georg, Lee Maelzer.

ABOUT IAVOR LUBOMIROV

lavor Lubomirov was born in Sofia, Bulgaria in 1978 and lives and works in London, UK. He is an artist, curator and gallerist. Together with William Angus-Hughes, lavor Lubomirov directs the LUBOMIROV / ANGUS-HUGHES Centre for Contemporary Curation in East London.

TICKET INFORMATION:

FREE Admission



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LFBC Team





IVO STANKOV - ORGANISER OF LFBC

Classical Concerts Productions is a company operating in the field of arts, with particular focus on music. Director of the company is Ivo Stankov - Bulgarian born and currently living in London. Being an active performer himself, Ivo combines his artistic experience with managerial skills to present a number of successful cultural projects in the capital such as 'London Festival of Bulgarian Culture (LFBC)', for which he was awarded a Silver Medal from the Bulgarian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

SVETLA DIONISIEVA - CO-ORGANISER OF LFBC & DIRECTOR OF BCI - LONDON

Svetla Dionisieva is the Director of the Bulgarian Cultural Institute London, and has been so since its creation in 2010. She has an extensive cultural background, including degrees in theatre direction and acting from universities in Prague and Sofia, and numerous years of experience in the industry. Svetla has always had a passion for Bulgarian culture, and it is her mission for the Bulgarian Cultural Institute London to share the treasures of the country and its culture with others, especially those outside of Bulgaria, in order to both bring out a similar passion in them and show the true significance of Bulgaria's heritage to as wide an audience as possible.





EVGENI VASILEV - GRAPHIC DESIGNER & WEBSITE DEVELOPER

With more than 16 years of professional experience in graphic and web design, Evgeni is highly dedicated and strongly driven individual. His key qualities are the excellent design skills, combined with his passion for new technologies and everything digital. Graduated as cinema & television director, and having worked as multi-media artist at InterSpace New Media Arts Centre, Evgeni possesses the necessary skills & qualifications to make significant contribution to any digital art project. Founder and editor at napred-nazad.com - online platform for Bulgarians living and working abroad.

YORDAN YORDANOV - PUBLIC RELATIONS & CONSULTANT

As a hands-on specialist in the conception, production and distribution of bi-lingual media content, he has worked as a reporter, editor, playwright, screenwriter and producer in print and online publications, Bulgarian National Radio, Bulgarian National TV, and has coordinated numerous campaigns and projects in Bulgaria and abroad. His current expertise is in e-content monitoring and curation (re-purposing, re-packaging), as well as in designing cross-platform e-media solutions, cost effective digital publishing, and virtual community management.





EVGENI DIMITROV - BULFOTO - PUBLIC RELATIONS - BULGARIA

Evgeni Dimitrov is a photographer and founder of the leading Bulgarian photo agency Bulphoto. His pictures often appear on the front pages of Bulgarian news media and in Internet. His agency is a partner of a number of international media – both European and American ones. Mr. Dimitrov is a member of the jury of the prestigious BG Press Photo Awards and organizer of several visual projects in cooperation with Sofia Municipality, EU representative office in Bulgaria and the Office of the European Parliament. Mr. Dimitrov is among the founders of the Days of the Bulgarian Culture in Rome in 2006, as a part of the Bulgarian Cultural & Informational Center in Rome, together with the La Fenice association.

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