

# Autumn term musical appreciation!!!

## Best of British

Week beginning	Value	Artist/ composer	Links
2.9.19	Service and friendship		
9.9.19	Service and friendship	<p><b>The Beatles</b></p> <p>The Beatles were an English rock band, started in Liverpool, England in 1960. They were, and still are, one of the most successful and influential bands in the history of modern music. The Beatles drew influences from many music genres through their career, including 1950s rock and roll, rhythm and blues, classical, psychedelia, and Indian music, and their songs ranged from pop ballads to hard rock.</p> <p>The members of the band were John Lennon (rhythm guitar), Paul McCartney (bass guitar), George Harrison (lead guitar) and Ringo Starr (drums).</p>	<p><b>Help!</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Q_ZzBGPdqE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Q_ZzBGPdqE</a></p> <p><b>Yellow submarine</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m2uTFF_3MaA&amp;list=RD2Q_ZzBGPdqE&amp;index=20">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m2uTFF_3MaA&amp;list=RD2Q_ZzBGPdqE&amp;index=20</a></p> <p><b>All you need is love</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dsxtImDVMig">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dsxtImDVMig</a></p> <p><b>Here comes the sun</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xUNgsfFUwhY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xUNgsfFUwhY</a></p>
16.9.19	Service and friendship	<p><b>Edward Elgar</b></p> <p>Sir Edward William Elgar, (2 June 1857 - 23 February 1934) was the most famous English composer of his time. He composed in the late romantic era.</p> <p><i>Enigma Variations</i>: Has a main tune, and then a series of variations on the tune. Each variation describes one of his friends, but he did not say which friends they were: he only put their initials or nickname at the top of each</p>	<p><b>March no 1:</b></p> <p><a href="https://youtu.be/R2-43p3GVTQ">https://youtu.be/R2-43p3GVTQ</a></p> <p><b>1<sup>st</sup> movement Cello concerto:</b></p> <p><a href="https://youtu.be/INVe_1Eb5dw">https://youtu.be/INVe_1Eb5dw</a></p> <p><b>Nimrod from Enigma variations:</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dFZ75vKe3YY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dFZ75vKe3YY</a></p>

		<p>variation. This is why the piece is an enigma (a “puzzle” or “secret”). <a href="http://www.elgar.org/3enigma.htm">http://www.elgar.org/3enigma.htm</a></p> <p><i>Pomp and Circumstance</i>: Has the tune which is sung to the words “Land of Hope and Glory” and the audience always join in singing it at the Last Night of the Proms.</p> <p><i>Cello Concerto</i>: The composer had come around from the anaesthetic after an operation to remove an infected tonsil with the tune already in his head – it begins with huge, quite tortured chords on the cello. It remains one of the most English of all pieces of classical music.</p>	
23.9.19	Service and friendship	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Shires</b></p> <p>The Shires are a British country duo, composed of singer-songwriters Ben Earle and Crissie Rhodes. Earle sings vocals, plays piano and guitar, while Rhodes shares lead vocals., and became the first UK country act to chart in the Top 10 in the UK. They won best Country Duo in the 2018 UK Country Music awards.</p> <p>They come from the neighbouring counties of Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire in England. The word 'Shire' is the original description of a county in the UK. The duo took the band name to keep their British identity when travelling around the world. They sing as a couple – but are just friend who love Country music.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Beats to the rhythm</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZKXh0RCR-0o">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZKXh0RCR-0o</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>A thousand Hallelujahs</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jf3C53wumpo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jf3C53wumpo</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>State Lines</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g-wXtY_Ewm4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g-wXtY_Ewm4</a></p>
30.9.19	Service and friendship	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Vaughan Williams</b></p> <p>Ralph Vaughan Williams October 12, 1872 - August 26, 1958 His father was a minister. His mother was the niece of Charles Darwin,.he scientist who came up with the theory of evolution. When Ralph (pronounced "Rafe" in England) was a kid, he already knew he wanted to be a composer.</p> <p>He spent his life collecting folk songs (songs which are passed down through being sung to each other – like telling stories) He collected 800 and used them in his music.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Lark Ascending</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><a href="https://youtu.be/OLhpkvQLDt0">https://youtu.be/OLhpkvQLDt0</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Lord though hast been our refuge (psalm 90)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hGWZgGtgOAM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hGWZgGtgOAM</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>6 studies in English folk song</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zfrtAPXggn4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zfrtAPXggn4</a></p>

		<p>In his old age he became quite deaf. This was because of the noise of gunfire he had been exposed to when he was serving as a stretcher bearer in World War I.</p> <p><i>The Lark Ascending</i>: Written in 1914 at the start of a war that would change the world forever, Vaughan Williams' beautiful and much-loved work is a serene evocation of an innocent bird heading to lofty heights. Partly inspired by a poem written by English poet George Meredith, it starts subtly with hushed strings that introduce the lark in the form of the solo violin. At times, the soaring solo melody ascends so high into the instrument's upper register that it is barely audible. The piece regularly tops the annual Classic FM Hall of Fame poll of the nation's favourite classical music.</p>	
7.10.19	Perseverance and respect	<p><b>Clean Bandit</b></p> <p>A British electronic music band &amp; songwriters, formed at Cambridge University in 2008. The band consists of members Grace Chatto, and brothers Jack and Luke Patterson. Many of their projects are known for blending elements of both classical and dance music, and featuring guest vocalists</p>	<p><b>Stronger</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c_n0A3BFVE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c_n0A3BFVE</a></p> <p><b>Symphony</b> feat. Zara Larsson – this is a live video so you can see all the instruments</p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pU_B-13jjkc&amp;list=RDpU_B-13jjkc&amp;start_radio=1&amp;t=43">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pU_B-13jjkc&amp;list=RDpU_B-13jjkc&amp;start_radio=1&amp;t=43</a></p> <p><b>Rather Be</b> feat. Jess Glynne</p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2vzmZ57w158">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2vzmZ57w158</a></p>
14.10.19	Perseverance and respect	<p><b>Holst</b></p> <p><b>Gustav Holst</b> (21 September 1874 - 25 May 1934) was a famous English composer. He was born in Cheltenham, Gloucestershire. He studied composition at the Royal College of Music in London. He also learned to play the trombone.</p> <p>Holst's <i>The Planets</i> is not, perhaps surprisingly, about astronomy; rather, it's about astrology. So we're not</p>	<p><b>Jupiter</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.classical100.org/group/nationality/british/piece/43/jupiter/">https://www.classical100.org/group/nationality/british/piece/43/jupiter/</a></p> <p><b>Mars</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cXOanvv4pIU">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cXOanvv4pIU</a></p>

		<p>hearing a suite of tributes to, say, Saturn, the planet with rings around it. Instead Holst is writing about Mars – the bringer of war, Venus – the bringer of peace, and so on.</p> <p><i>Jupiter</i>: the most famous and most popular movement, is the bringer of jollity. The vigorous and joyous opening melodies soon give way to a stately rendition of a tune that is better known as the hymn 'I vow to thee my country'.</p> <p><i>Mars</i> has a very exciting rhythm with five beats in a bar.</p>	
<p><b>21.10.19</b></p>	<p><b>Perseverance and respect</b></p>	<p><b>Music of the Kings and Queens</b></p> <p><i>Greensleeves</i>: this is an English folksong, a widely-believed (but completely unproven) legend is that it was composed by King Henry VIII of England (1491-1547) for his lover and future queen consort Anne Boleyn.</p> <p><i>Spem in alium nunquam habui</i>, (Latin: "In No Other Is My Hope") motet by Thomas Tallis, which has 40 different voice parts singing. It probably dates from the late 1560s to the early 1570s. Tallis served under the Tudor monarchs from Henry VIII to Elizabeth I until his death in 1585. He may have produced <i>Spem in alium nunquam habui</i>, which is considered his single greatest achievement, for Elizabeth I.</p> <p><i>"I was glad"</i> (Latin incipit, "Laetatus sum") is traditionally sung in the Church of England as an anthem at the Coronation of the British monarch. It has been set to music by different composers. This one is by Hubert Parry (1902) for</p>	<p><b>Greensleeves (bizarrely with Olivia Newton John singing!)</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yW2ShCzwXmc">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yW2ShCzwXmc</a></p> <p><b>Spem in alium – Thomas Tallis</b></p> <p><b>I was glad – Hubert Parry</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EsEoy5SiorM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EsEoy5SiorM</a> (this is footage of William and Kate's wedding)</p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=52NTjasbmgw">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=52NTjasbmgw</a> (this one is Queen Elizabeth's coronation – harder to hear as the commentator talks over it... need to watch from 22.40 mins for the anthem)</p>

		King Edward VII – it was also sung at the wedding for William and Kate.	
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