

Keyworth U3A – Listening to Music Programme for August to December 2014

Our sessions are held in the Centenary Lounge on alternate Wednesday afternoons. We sign in from 2 p.m. to be ready for a 2.15 start, and finish at 4.00. We ask for a donation of £1 at each session to cover the cost of hiring the room. All Keyworth U3A members are very welcome to join us.

27 August Richard Strauss The life and works of the German composer on the 150th anniversary of his birth, presented by Bill Cooper.

10 September Bohemian Rhapsody Bill Cooper introduces music by Dvořák, Smetana and other Czech composers.

24 September A walk in the countryside with Sheila Cooper

8 October Literary pictures in music Musical pictures of characters in literature, including music by Beethoven, Tchaikovsky, Richard Strauss etc, presented by Alan Spooner.

22 October String favourites Robin Stocker plays music for string orchestra

5 November The viola Bill Cooper continues his survey of string instruments with the Cinderella of the section, the butt of many musical jokes, some of which you might hear! It was nonetheless the favoured instrument of Mozart, Schubert, Beethoven and Dvořák.

19 November Orchestral Concert John Stuckey presents a traditional style concert consisting of Overture, Concerto and Symphony. There may be an encore or two, provided the audience is enthusiastic and the orchestra willing!

3 December Music and History Alan Spooner introduces works that were inspired by, or related to, major historical events or times. Possible composers include Beethoven, Tchaikovsky, Shostakovich, Elgar and Vaughan Williams.

17 December Members' Choice Please bring along a CD, or CDs of seasonal music: either Winter, Christmas, or even New Year related. Or just come and listen.

There will be no meeting on 31 December but we will resume on 7 January 2015.