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LISZT SOCIETY ACTIVITIES:

The Society's 41st Anniversary Recital was given on St. Cecilia's Day (Nov 22) at the Austrian Institute, London, in the presence of the Hungarian Ambassador. David Berlin, cello, and Leslie Howard, piano, performed the complete works for cello and piano by Liszt. The Liszt Society's edition of these works (Volume Ten of the Liszt Society Publication) was launched at the recital (see the enclosed leaflet).

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The full house at the Austrian Institute contrasted sharply with the small number of members attending the Annual General Meeting of the Society earlier in the year in June. The AGM was followed by an organ recital by Liszt member Iain Quinn, a fine recital which deserved a full house too.

Member's News

Leslie Howard, President of the Society, gives a recital at The Wigmore Hall on Friday, 11 December 1992 at 7.30pm. Tickets range in price from £6 to £12. Box Office Tel: 071-935-2141. Leslie performs Beethoven: Eroica Variations, opus 35, Schumann: Carnival, opus 9, Rakhmaninov: Corelli Variations, opus 42 and Kreisler/Rakhmaninov: Liebesleid; Liebesfreud.

Recital Notes

On September 20, 1992 pianist David Wilde was the soloist with the Worthing Symphony Orchestra in Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 3. He played the Liszt Cadenza, first performed by Louis Kentner and twice since then by David Wilde.

On Tuesday 8 December 1992 Mark Latimer plays at Steinway Hall at 7pm. The concert is arranged by the Keyboard Trust. Admission is free but donations to the Trust are welcomed. Telephone Mrs Judith Brooks on 071-789-4584 if you wish to attend. Mark's programme includes Liszt's Réminiscences de Don Juan and works by Rachmaninov and Chopin.

On Wednesday 30 December, at 7.30 pm Angela Hewitt includes Liszt's Sonata in B minor in her Wigmore Hall piano recital.

On Monday 25 January 1993, pianist Jeremy Filsell gives a recital at St. John's Smith Square at 7.30pm. Jeremy concludes the second half of his programme with the one movement Sonata in B^b by Julius Reubke (1834-1858), a favoured pupil of Liszt who died at a tragically young age.

On Saturday, 30 January 1993 at 7.30 pm violinist Gidon Kremer and pianist Oleg Maisenberg perform Liszt's Grand Duo Concertant at the Barbican Hall. Ticket prices range from £6 to £28. The programme also includes works by Schubert, Schulhoff, Bartók and Dvorak.

The Worshipful Company of Musicians' Annual Livery Dinner was held at the Stationers' Hall on 11 November 1992. Medals were presented to all the W.C. of M. prizewinners from the various music schools. Paul Gregory, Chairman of the Liszt Society, attended this occasion and replied on behalf of the guests in the course of which he outlined the aims of the Liszt Society. The new Master of the W.C. of M., Mr. John Iles, had asked the Society to organise a Liszt recital for the concert that evening. Council member Dr. Kenneth Hamilton performed a piano recital including in his programme Ballet No.2 in B minor, Melody in A minor and the overture to Wagner's Tannhäuser. Afterwards Dr. Hamilton received a standing ovation, the first of its kind in living memory.

Our distinguished patron, Sir Georg Solti, K.B.E. celebrated his 80th birthday on 21 October 1992. The Society sent Sir Georg a calligraphic greeting to mark this special event.

It is with deep regret that we announce the sudden death on 21 September 1992 of Leeds member Mr. Jack Hallas. Mr. Hallas was to have contributed a paper to the forthcoming centenary conference of the Hungarian Liszt Society, Budapest March 20-22, 1993. Condolences were sent to Jack's widow, Mrs. Edna Hallas.

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The Hungarian Ambassador, Mr. Tibor Antelpeter, has invited Council Member, Audrey Ellison, to arrange the second joint recital event for members of the British-Hungarian Society and the Liszt Society to be held at the Hungarian Embassy in London in April 1993. Full details will be given in the Society's next Newsletter in March 1993.

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