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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friends,

A further reminder that on **Thursday 16th February 2012** at 7.30 pm we have our **Young Musician Programme** in the **Bolivar Hall**, Grafton Way, London W1T 5DL (just off Tottenham Court Road at the northern [Euston Road] end), and there will be a wine reception after the performance. The event is sponsored by **Cormac T. Cawley & Co, Solicitors**.

The first part of the Programme will feature **Jessica Grimes, and the Jacquin Trio**. Jessica (Jessie) is a clarinettist from Dublin who graduated from the Royal College of Music in July 2011, having previously studied in Trinity College Dublin and the Royal Irish Academy of Music. She is a founding member of the **Jacquin Trio (Jessie, Charis Cheung, piano, and Zoë Matthews, viola)**. The Jacquin Trio are winners of the Royal College of Music Douglas Whittaker Ensemble Prize. They have chosen a delightful programme of music:

Schumann - *Fantasiestücke* (for clarinet and piano)
Solfa Carlile - *Macalla* (for clarinet & bass clarinet, viola and piano)
Debussy - *Première Rhapsodie* (for clarinet and piano)
Francaix - *Trio* (for clarinet, viola and piano)

It is particularly exciting to feature a work by the young Irish Composer, **Solfa Carlile**. Solfa is from Fermoy, County Cork, and is the composer in residence with the Orchestra of St Paul's, Covent Garden. She wrote **Macalla** especially for the Jacquin Trio and you will be able to meet Solfa along with the other musicians at the event.

The second part of the Programme features the young pianist **Hamish Dustagheer** who was born in Surrey in 1992. His Grandmother's family is of Irish origin. He currently studies at the Royal College of Music with the concert pianist Gordon Fergus-Thompson. Hamish will play:

Prokofiev - *Sonata No. 1, Op. 1 (piano)*
Satie - *Trois Gnossiennes (piano)*
Poulenc - *Les Soirées de Nazelles (a suite of 11 movements) (piano)*

You can learn more about the artists on our website www.irishheritage.co.uk
Tickets, to include a wine reception, are £12 (£10 for paid-up Friends) and £5 for students and can be obtained **from Kathy O'Regan Tel: 0207 2264578. E-mail Kathy.oregan@hotmail.co.uk**.

We hope you will support this fine concert which is in an excellent musical venue. It is such an important part of our mission, to help young musicians in the early years of their professional careers. Please also help by spreading the word with your friends and colleagues.

For your diary

Tuesday 24th April 2012: "*Sixty Glorious Years. The Story of Wexford Festival Opera*". Royal Over-Seas League, Park Place, St James's Street, London SW1A 1LR. Details to follow.

News of Irish Heritage Artists

I have just heard the news that Nicola Mulligan (soprano) and Gavan Ring (baritone), who sang delightfully at St Patrick's Church, Soho Square in November, will be performing at Glyndebourne Opera this Summer. Further details to follow.

Kind regards,

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