

# *Irish Heritage*

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## **NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2014**

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Dear Friends,

We wish you a happy and peaceful New Year and hope that we will see many of you at our events in 2014 as we celebrate 40 years of Irish Heritage. In this Newsletter I want to highlight our next event on 12<sup>th</sup> February, ask for your continued support and provide information on other interesting events in London which you might like to support.

#### **NEXT IRISH HERITAGE EVENT**

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2014.** We present **Una Hunt (piano) in *Irish Composers – their music and their stories***, at Regent Hall, 275 Oxford Street, London W1C 2DG. Regent Hall is an excellent venue, new to us but convenient and comfortable see <http://regenthall.co.uk>. Una Hunt is Ireland's leading authority on national composers for piano. She spearheaded the development of new digital archive of Irish composers at the National Library of Ireland. She is an outstanding pianist with a distinguished recording and broadcasting career and this evening will draw together the many strands of pianistic talents, presenting some exquisite gems, familiar and unfamiliar. Her programme will include works by John Field, George Osborne, Ernest J Moeran, Fanny Robinson, William V Wallace, Michele Esposito, and Frances Panormo.

**Tickets:** £15 (£5 for students) to include light refreshments. On-line: through our website [www.irishheritage.co.uk](http://www.irishheritage.co.uk), click on **Donate** no booking fee, or from Kathy O'Regan, 28 Northolme Road, London N5 2UU (please include SAE). Tickets will also be available at the Hall on the night.

#### **REMINDER**

We recently sent a postal reminder to Friends and supporters regarding our annual subscription/donation which is a vital part of the funding of our activities during the year. Being a **Friend of Irish Heritage** enables you actively to participate in our excellent cultural events while helping young musicians in a practical way. This year the suggested donation is £40 which will include two family members. Donations/subscriptions may be made through our website [www.irishheritage.co.uk](http://www.irishheritage.co.uk) click on **Donate** (note it is the same Donate icon as for tickets for the above event but is clearly identified for both functions). You may also complete a Gift Aid form on this site if appropriate.

#### **OTHER EVENTS AND NEWS OF THE ARTISTS**

**Michael Trainor (violin)**, who performed in one of our first Young Musician Programmes, is a member of the highly successful Piatti Quartet, winners of the St Martin-in-the-Fields Chamber Music Competition. Here are details of some "gigs" that the Piatti Quartet are doing in the next few weeks. He would be delighted to welcome Irish Heritage Friends. **19<sup>th</sup> January**, Conway Hall, Holborn at 6.00pm: works by Beethoven Op 18, Haydn and Schubert. **2<sup>nd</sup> February**, The Forge, Camden at 11.00am: Works by Beethoven Op59 and Britten. Full details are on their (excellent) website see [www.piattiquarter.com](http://www.piattiquarter.com).

**Michael McHale (piano)** will be playing with clarinettist Michael Collins in the Wigmore Hall ([www.wigmore-hall.org.uk](http://www.wigmore-hall.org.uk)) on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2014 at 7.30. Their programme includes **Brahms, Weber, Bernstein and more.**

#### **NEWS FLASH**

Also on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January at 2.00 pm in the Wigmore Hall, **Robin Trichler (tenor) and Ian Burnside (piano)** give a **free recital** of Britten and Schubert for a recording on the *Wigmore Hall Live label*. Since winning the Song Prize at the 2006 Kathleen Ferrier Award, Robin has made great strides as concert artist and opera soloist. In the BBC Radio 3 New Generation Series he was hailed for his “*exquisite clarity*” and “*radiantly lyrical*” voice. **YES, you’ve guessed it.... Robin appeared with Irish Heritage in June 1999 at Leighton House.**

#### **MESSAGE TO ARTISTS**

We would like to thank all of you who have sent us information on your events (gigs) and achievements. We like to see how busy you are and help to promote your events. Keep them coming!

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