

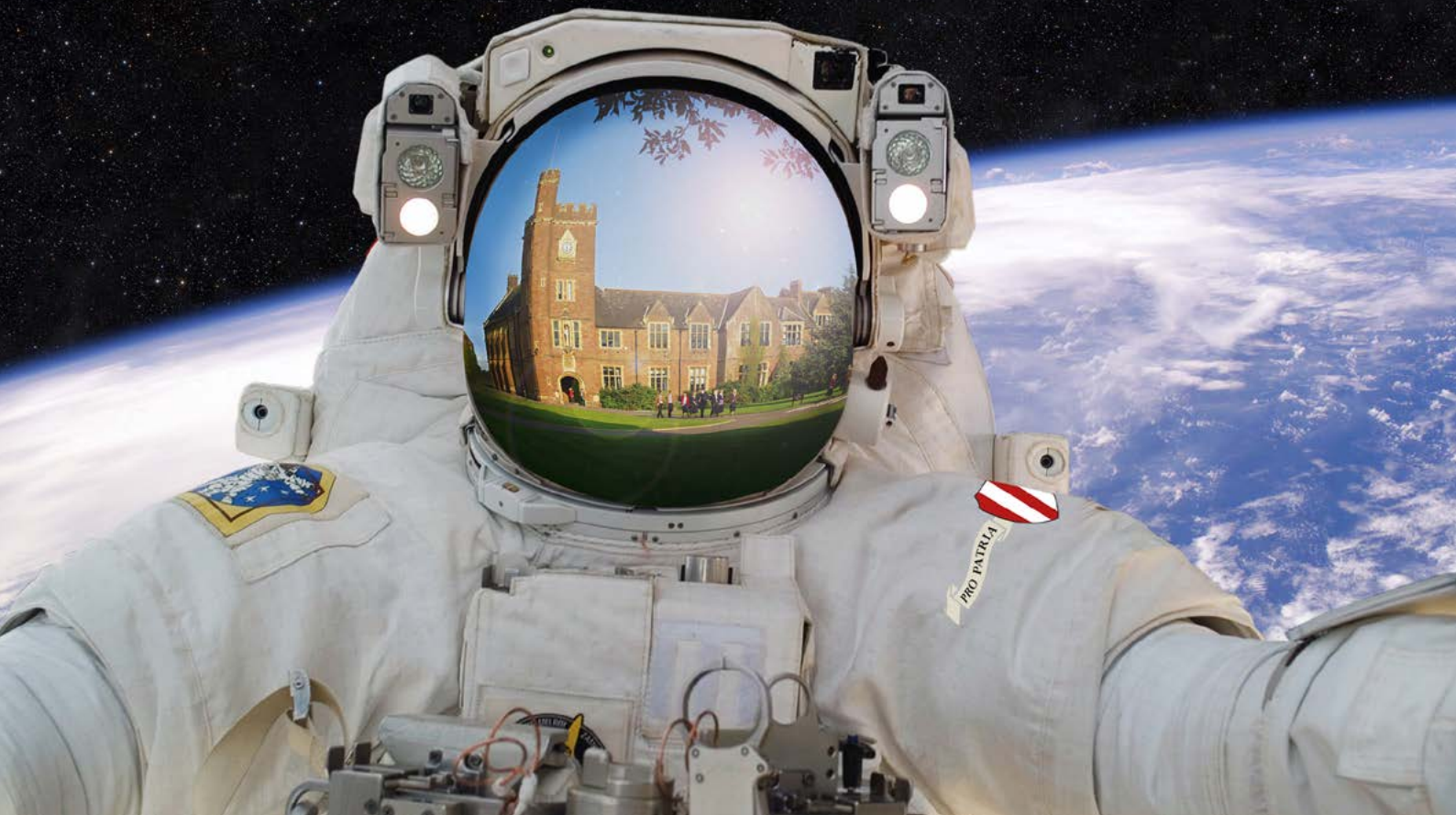


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BLUNDELL'S IN SPACE

SPRING CONCERT 2022



WELCOME



DR OLIVER LEAMAN
Director of Music

Welcome to the Spring Concert 2022, Blundell's in Space. This is a concert that was originally planned for 2021, but of course that could not happen. At last, we are delighted to present for you tonight a feast of space-themed music, complete with stunning lights and projections. I am also delighted to be able to welcome James Mayhew, the international best-selling children's author, who will paint live to the planets tonight, as well as former teacher and astrophysicist, Matt Lodge, who will provide illuminating insights into our universe as the concert unfolds.

Tonight's concert follows the journey of our solar system, starting at our sun before travelling past Mercury, Venus and our own world and deeper into space. Along the way we will pass all the major planets and some other phenomenon, before heading out of our own galaxy and into parallel universes. Towards the end of the concert, we will be reaching creation itself, which paradoxically is furthest from us, for as we look deeper into space, we are looking further back in time. We end by exploring the mysteries revealed to us by the Hubble's Deep

Field and the tens of thousands of galaxies we see now that have their origin shortly after the Big Bang. I hope you have your Deep Field app ready!

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to the pupils and families of the schools who have collaborated with us in this concert. Music is at its very core a collaborative art-form. School allegiances, year groups and genders are all broken down in communal music-making in a way that is hard to replicate in any other field. My huge gratitude also goes to my colleagues Andrew Johnson and Jess Atkins, without whom this concept would have grounded to a halt some time ago. We are all supported enormously by Sue Fallon and the 30 visiting music teachers, and the musicians of Blundell's are truly lucky to have such inspiring teachers and role-models. A special thank you also to the technical wizardry and support from Ben Bowley.

I hope you enjoy the music performed by our incredibly dedicated musicians tonight, as well as the setting and visual elements. The hardest part by far in the whole concept was making a very long list into a short list and I hope you enjoy the journey we have selected for you and that this evening you can relax and take some time to marvel at the mysteries of our extraordinary universe.



JAMES MAYHEW
Author and Illustrator

James Mayhew is an award-winning children's author and illustrator. Born in Lincolnshire, he grew up in Suffolk and trained in illustration at Maidstone College of Art, with further studies in set design. His first book, *Katie's Picture Show* was published in 1989, beginning the long-running series about a child's adventures in an art gallery. It has been followed by many other titles include the best-selling *Ella Bella Ballerina* series, *Koshka's Tales* and his latest book, *Once Upon A Tune - Stories from the Orchestra*.

Alongside his work in publishing, James works with a variety of musicians and symphony orchestras, presenting highly acclaimed concerts that incorporate music and art created live on stage, in time to the music. Using inks and gouache in bright colours and bold brushstrokes, he strives to capture the essence of the music in visual form. He has performed all across the UK, including at the Royal Albert Hall, bringing classics like *The Four Seasons*, *Peter and the Wolf*, and *The Planets* to life in paint. He has also presented two online series of *Drawn To Music* for the BBC.



MATT LODGE
Astrophysicist

After teaching Physics at Blundell's for nine years, Matt Lodge has recently started a career as a professional astrophysicist, studying a PhD at Bristol University. His PhD centres around studying the atmospheres of planets in other solar systems, with the ultimate goal of discovering those that are habitable, and potentially finding the first evidence of life existing elsewhere in the Universe. He is working as part of a team to develop models to explain the data that will shortly be produced from the James Webb Space Telescope, the most state-of-the-art imaging device of its kind.

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SUNRISE FROM
ALSO SPRACH ZARATHUSTRA
Richard Strauss



VENUS,
THE BRINGER OF PEACE
Gustav Holst



EARTH
Hans Zimmer



LIPPY KIDS /
ROCKET MAN
Elbow/Elton John



SPACE ODDITY
LIFE ON MARS
STARMAN
David Bowie



MERCURY,
THE WINGED MESSENGER
Gustav Holst



CLAIR DE LUNE
Claude Debussy

MOONLIGHT SERENADE
FLY ME TO THE MOON
WALKING ON THE MOON
Miller/Howard/Sting

WAR OF
THE WORLDS
Jeff Wayne



**MARS,
THE BRINGER
OF WAR**
Gustav Holst

STARS
Ēriks Ešenvalds

DEFYING GRAVITY
Stephen Schwartz

URANUS, THE MAGICIAN
Gustav Holst



PRISMATIC LIGHT
Alan Fernie

JUPITER, THE BRINGER OF JOLLITY
Gustav Holst

SATURN, THE BRINGER OF OLD AGE
Gustav Holst

NEPTUNE, THE MYSTIC
Gustav Holst

CITY OF STARS
Hurwitz, Pasek & Paul

COSMOGONY
Björk

THE UNANSWERED QUESTION
Charles Ives

DOCTOR WHO THEME
Grainer/Derbyshire

E LUCEVEN LE STELLA
Giacomo Puccini

4'33
John Cage

THE CREATION
Chris Hoban

**LE REEL DES SOUCOUPES
VOLANTES**
La Bottine Souriante

STAR WARS : MAIN THEMES
John Williams

DEEP FIELD
Eric Whitacre

MUSICIANS

BLUNDELL'S SENIOR SCHOOL

Tom Ambler
Finian Batsford
Lara Baxter
Ella Bazley
Sophie Bazley
Elena Benczur-Williams
George Birts
Poppy Borradaile
Ashley Bradley
Helene Buersing
Tomma Channon
Mandy Chong
Bella Church
Willow Clapp
Simeon Claudon
Oliver Corke-Webster
Toby Cottle
Charlie Cracknell
Harry Cracknell

Jenny Donald
Daisy Faulkner
Sophia Fields
Ben FitzHerbert
Rose Floyd
Lana Force
Liv Gerardi
Henry Goodwin
Lewis Gow
Arabella Gresswell
Tabby Gresswell
Mimi Griffiths
Eric Gu
Eva Gu
Alex Heathman
Anoushka Heeb
Kaira Hinchliffe
Beth Holley
Thomas Holley

Eloise Holmes
Dom Holt-Wilson
Elizabeth Honey
Charlie Hopkins
Brad Huang
Isabel Humphery
Oliver Humphery
Emily Jakes
Thomas Jerreat
Annabel Johnson
Chester Johnson
Lana Johnson
Toby Johnson
Willow Kallaway
Jess Kaia
Emily Karseras
Daniel Kashi
Xavier Kennington
Illy Lane

Lucia Laurelli
Bonnie Lawrence
Carrie Lee
Promise Lee
Izzy Leyshon
William Maitland-Walker
Daisy Maitland-Walker
Ellie Malone
Freya Marr
Mathilda McKenzie
Theo McKenzie
Rosalind Middleton
Amelia Mitchell
Jemima Mitchell
Cosima Mundy
Jasper Newnes
Eve Nugent
Grace Page
Enoch Pan

Arby Parker
Jules Prior
Vivienne Procter
Jack Ramsay
Zach Rickford
Heidi Robinson
Sophia Rochfort
Taylor Saltmarsh
Wilf Sargent
Zinza Sargent
Le Le Shen
Jemima Sides
Isabella Simpson
Ella Smith
Xanthe Solley
Harry Southgate
Lottie Southgate
Lucie Spencer
Max Spring

Henry Squire
Hebe Stone
Matilda Stoneman
Jua Suh
Natalia Talbot
Bella Taylor
Ophelia Thorpe
Delilah Tindall-Gundry
Carolina Tootill
Chris Van Der Walt
Handr  Van Der Walt
Reuben Wielenga
Guy Wiggins
Maria Wiggins
Sophie Wiggins
Nathan Winchester
Kokoro Yazu

GUEST MUSICIANS

Evie Baily
Herbie Batsford
Spencer Baxter
Elsie Beszant
Zoe Brookman
Caelan Byrne
John Campos
Oliver Carstairs
Ava Catchpole
Nelly Chambers
Henry Chappell
Poliana Chatwin
Raphie Clapp
Ellena Cox
Margot Crews-Montes
Elizabeth Dinnis

Edward Donald
Joshua Down
Harry Duckworth-Chad
Charles Eade
Sonya Ellerton
Caitlin Falloon
Ethan Falloon
Ava Farish
Elsie Fredriksson
Grace Fredriksson
George Herniman
Tilly Hill
George Hilton
Dylan Hurley
Gabiella Johnson
Ruby Jones

Hugo Keir
Austin Keir
Edward Kennerley
Bertie Knowles
Monty Knowles
Lilla Kristo-Nagy
Daisy Lane
Lizzie Larsen
Madeleine Le Grand
Joseph Leaman
Oscar Lewis
Max Loveridge
Finn Lowden
Rufus Lowden
Rosie Macaulay
Thomasin Manley-Frost

Finn McDermott
Daisy McGowan
Barnaby Mitchell
Poppy Morrison
Sam Nawoor
Elowen Neary
Felix Neil
Hetty Parker
Noah Pearson
Jacob Phillips
Tommy Probart
Henry Probert
Xander Rickford
Hetty Robarts-Arnold
Rory Robinson
Bryony Rochfort

Harriet Samson
Genevieve Savill-James
William Scoble
Harry Simcock
Rafferty Smith
Florence Squires
Eddie Squires
Charlotte Squires
Jemima Stewart
Morgan Tamblyn
Carlotta Taxis
Benjamin Taylor
Isabella Thomas
Isabella Thorpe
Gabriel Tindall-Gundry
Sebastian Toghil

Ruben Turner
Lettice Vyner-Brooks
Bridgette Wallis
Robert Wallis
Jude Wheatley
George Whewell-Webber
Rory Whilding
Nancy White
Mattie White
Isaac Whiter
Pippa Wood
Victoria Yandle