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Royal Albert Hall - Rhapsody of Praise

Prom Praise - Saturday 4 April 2009 (7.30pm)

There's a popular team in the pipeline for the Royal Albert Hall concert in 2009. We hope you will approve and join us! Tickets go on sale in December 2008.

David Erik Gross is building a growing fan club amongst Prom Praise audiences. He brings a great combination of talent and winsome personality. American-born, David now spends most of his life in London's West End securing roles in major shows including *Miss Saigon*, *Phantom of the Opera*, *Les Misérables* and *Dirty Dancing*! He grew up singing regularly in the church

where his father was minister, and brings a characteristic



commitment and sincerity to his performances whether in Gospel, classical or Musicals.

Solo pianist Richard Baker is making a popular return to the Royal Albert Hall to perform a great favourite of the piano repertoire, George Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue*. Richard is a very gifted and versatile musician whose work ranges from concerto performances, through radio broadcasts and musical theatre shows to P&O cruises!



This will be the Prom Praise debut for songwriter and worship-leader Geraldine Latty who will be well-known to many who attend Spring Harvest and other events. Geraldine, another

versatile artist, grew up in her church choir, went on to classical study and teaching,



then into worship-leading and song-writing. She brings all those experiences to her songs with sensitivity and skill.

Last, but by no means least, our speaker this year is All Souls evangelist Rico Tice who has promised to leave his rugby ball at home, but will definitely bring his usual passionate conviction for the Gospel.

Of course, as always these friends will be supported by the All Souls Orchestra and the Massed Prom Praise Choir who will lead a packed house in trying to raise that famous roof space in a rhapsody of praise, worship and celebration.



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2008 recording of the Royal Albert Hall concert featuring Keith & Kristyn Getty, along with Margaret Ferguson and Hugh Palmer.

Now available!
Order form on back page.

Also, special offers for Christmas shopping...



Royal Albert Hall

Saturday 4 April 2009 at 7.30pm continued...

HOW TO BOOK:

General Booking by phone, online, post or in person from 15 December 2008

All from the Royal Albert Hall Box Office

020 7589 8212 www.royalalberthall.com

Tickets priced at

£33.00, £30.00, £28, £24, £16.50, £11 (restricted view), £6 (arena standing).

RAH Box Office will apply a booking fee of £3.50 to online, postal and phone bookings.

* When tickets are sold out waiting lists will be held both at Langham Arts and at the Royal Albert Hall box office.



How the history of the Royal Albert Hall affects you!

Back in Victorian times, when the Royal Albert Hall was built, they found a novel way of raising funds to pay the building costs. You could buy a seat. So you and your descendents could literally own a piece of Hall for ever. Down the generations ownership has been passed on through families or companies, and today nearly a quarter of the seats are still in private ownership.

This affects us in that the Hall has to give the private seatholders the first choice for almost every event in the diary. For some years we have benefited from a generous waiver on this which has meant we have been able to use many of those seats for the Prom Praise audiences. However, times and needs change so that for the 2009 event, and probably beyond, we will no longer be able to use most of the historically owned seats. Seatholders can decide to use the seat, return it to the Box Office or Langham Arts for sale, or simply ignore the event.

This affects you the audience in a number of ways:

- There will be **less of the top price seats** available when tickets go on sale, so you will need to get your bookings in more quickly this year.
- If you miss out at first, all is not lost! Keep in touch with the Royal Albert Hall box office or Langham Arts, as both will be keeping a **Waiting List** for any seats that are returned by private seatholders who do not want to come to the event.
- When you do get to the hall on 4 April, it is possible that you will still see some gaps in the Stalls and Boxes. If they were ours, of course we would have made them available to you. That's visible evidence of the change in arrangements which reluctantly we have to accept.
- But much more happily - as God continues to enrich our worship and creativity, we believe Prom Praise will continue to inspire joy and thankfulness in all of us. And of course for you promenaders, the Arena will have the usual amount of space for you to lead the cheering (and the hush...) as your own inimitable contribution to this ever-fresh and richly uplifting event!



More information to follow for other 2009 events:

In Christ Alone Tour - June 2009

look out for further dates in Keith & Kristyn Getty's return to the UK in 2009
- All Souls Orchestra will be joining them for some of the venues.

Prom Praise Birmingham - 17 October 2009

Returning to the magnificent Symphony Hall.

Prom Praise Cornwall/Devon - November 2009

plans are in discussion for Noël to visit his ancestral home.

Web Watch - look out for regular up-dates of all our forthcoming events and services in the Events Calendar on www.allsoulsorchestra.org





NEW CD RELEASE!

Prom Praise at the Royal Albert Hall with Keith & Kristyn Getty

Great timing for Christmas presents! The latest Prom Praise CD is another double-disc format to take in the whole of the 2008 concert at the Royal Albert Hall.

Imagine the packed Hall, a hundred-strong orchestra, a massive choir of voices drawn from over a hundred choirs, and from an enthusiastic audience, an atmosphere of celebration, worship and praise.

This album is a fine opportunity to either live or relive the event. The whole concert, including Hugh Palmer's striking Pause for Thought, is here.

We've included every moment: outstanding orchestral and choral classics old and new including 'A mighty fortress', 'I was glad', 'West Side Story', and 'Hoe-Down'; rousing concert and worship songs by the soprano Margaret Ferguson; and the uniquely moving compositions and performances of Prom Praise special guests Keith and Kristyn Getty, including the ever-popular 'In Christ alone' and, a new song for the occasion, 'Come people of the Risen King'.

Double CD priced at £15 per copy (see back page to make an order - or include it in special Christmas offer).



For unto us a child is born

ALL SOULS CHOIR CAROL CONCERT Thursday 18 December 2008 (7.30pm) at All Souls Church

Handel's 'Messiah' has long been a favourite element in many people's Christmas. The first part of the oratorio tells the Christmas story with great depth and character. This work will feature as the first half of the All Souls Choir's Christmas concert this year.

Conducted by Craig Hudson and accompanied by the All Souls musicians, it will, no doubt, be a highlight of the season. Of course there will still be plenty of opportunity for you to join in with some of your favourite carols in the second half along with other seasonal choral items.

Tickets are available from the Langham Arts office (020 7935 7246) or All Souls Welcome Desk, or on the door, priced at £8.50 or £6.50 for concessions.



