



CHRIST CHURCH, ESHER
LUNCHTIME CONCERT

John McDonald Jazz Quartet

Wednesday 17 July 2024
at 1.15 pm

*This concert is free to watch on our 'Music on the Green' YouTube channel.
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Playlist



Music on the Green

Quality music in the heart of Esher

Music on the Green (MOTG) is the Parish of Esher's musical outreach programme based at Christ Church, overlooking Esher Green. At MOTG we believe that music should be accessible to all. Whilst having our firmest foot planted at the classical end of the spectrum, we seek to offer a rich and varied programme, presenting live music in interesting and rewarding ways so that it can be widely appreciated and enjoyed.

Long Ago and Far Away

Jerome Kern (1885-1945)

Speak Low

Kurt Weill (1900-1950)

Feel like makin' love

Eugene McDaniels (1935-2011)

I'm Old Fashioned

Jerome Kern (1885-1945)

Inutil Paisagem

Antonio Carlos Jobim (1927-1994)

Up Jumped Spring

Freddie Hubbard (1938-2008)

The Look of Love

Burt Bacharach (1928-2023)

Idle Vice

John McDonald (b.1961)

Biographical Notes

The Quartet which is entertaining us today has been playing jazz together for over twenty years. It specialises in repertoire from the Great American Songbook, along with bossa novas and jazz re-workings of classic pop songs.

Ian Close

saxophone

Ian has appeared as a featured artist on recordings by Gordon Haskell and Sandi Thom, among others. He has played with The Blockheads, Hamish Stuart Band, Chrissie Hynde and Jim Diamond. Ian has performed at Ronnie Scott's, The 100 Club, 606 Club, Jazz Cafe and Koko. He appeared in a Ricky Gervais film and recently in *The Crown* final series.



John McDonald

piano

John plays in a number of jazz groups across the Midlands and has worked with many distinguished jazz musicians including Alan Barnes, Tina May, Bruce Adams and Annette Gregory. He is a keen tennis player and a devotee of choral music, having most notably been a former member of Winchester Cathedral Choir.



Lidia

Cascarino-Close

bass

Lidia has played in a number of bands including Ezio; recently she has been touring the country with a David Bowie tribute show. As well as performing in all four nations of the UK, she has also toured in Germany, Holland, Sweden, Luxembourg, Denmark, Spain, South Africa, Namibia, Israel and the USA. Her TV appearances include Top of the Pops, vhl and Ohne Filter. She has also played Glastonbury and the Cambridge Folk Festival.



Isaac

Cortvriend

drums

Isaac, since graduating from the Royal Welsh College of Music & Drama in 2022, has had the opportunity to tour across Europe with the London Symphonic Rock Orchestra. He delivers percussion workshops in Wales and recently recorded his first studio albums with Annette Gregory and Maddie Ashman.





LUNCHTIME CONCERTS AT CHRIST CHURCH

Third Wednesday of the month
Doors open 12.30pm - Concert from 1.15pm

2024 Programme

- Aug 21 No concert (Summer break)
Sep 18 Hacha Duo (clarinet & oboe)
Oct 16 Gabriel Francis-Dehqani & William Harmer (cello & piano)

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