## **OBAN MUSIC SOCIETY**

# 2.30 pm SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> December 2025

St John's Cathedral, George Street, Oban

# A birthday party for the king - Music at the court of Frederick the Great

On January 24th, 1758, Frederick II celebrated his 46th birthday – come join the celebration!

Musicians from the royal court orchestra perform, and of course Johann Gottlieb Graun, who played music with Frederick when he was still crown prince, is concert master for the special occasion. Works by Germany's most gifted composers are being performed, Georg Philipp Telemann brings the flair of the wider world - even the late Johann Sebastian Bach once consecrated a "musical offering" to the king, in which he transformed a theme given to him by Frederick. However, music isn't everything: there's dancing, singing and games, as befits a royal party. Frederick's revered flute master and musical father figure Johann Joachim Quantz leads the celebrations as maître de plaisir.



Frederick the Great	March
J. G. Graun	<b>Concerto for Recorder and Violin in C-Major</b> Allegro
C.P.E. Bach	<b>Hamburger Flötensonate in G Dur, Hg164</b> Allegretto
J. J. Quantz	<b>Triosonata in C-Major</b> Vivace
J. S. Bach	Musical Offering, BWV1079  Canon a 2 cancrizans - Canon a 2 violini unisono -
Canon	per tonos
J. A. Hasse	Cantata per Flauto Largo - Allegro
D. Buxtehude	<b>La Capricciosa</b> Kraut und Rüben and other Pop- and Folk tunes

#### INTERVAL

G. P. Telemann

Overture Suite: Les nations anciens et modèrnes,

TWV55:G4

J. P. Kirnberger Der allzeit bereite Menuetten- und Polonaisenkomponist

**Dice-Compositions** 

J. S. Bach

Was mir behagt, ist nur die muntre Jagd BWV 208

Sheep may safely graze

G. P. Telemann Concerto for recorder and traverso, TWV 52:e1

Presto

Teresa Wrann - Recorder Simone Pirri - Violin Harry Buckoke - Viola da Gamba Jonatan Bougt - Theorbo/Baroque Guitar Thomas Pickering - Recorder, Traverso

#### **Biography**

Murders, drinking songs, Cinderella stories, European tours, serene polyphony and candlelit rituals all feature in the evocative and story driven programmes of Apollo's Cabinet. Winners of the Royal Overseas League Mixed Ensemble prize, Utrecht OudeMuziek competition, York Early Music Competition Friends Prize, Göttingen Händel Competition and the International Biber Competition, the group offer a signature mix of acting, dancing, poetry and drama to bring historical performance to modern audiences. They have furthermore won the Brian Nisbet Prize for their fusion of Music and Poetry, audience and first prize at #SMADE in Spain, the F. J. Aumann Prize for innovation and new discoveries in Baroque music, second prize at the CIMA competition in Loire Valley and last but not least won the Potsdam lunchtime concert competition.

Noteworthy performances to date include concerts at the London Handel Festival, Konzerthaus Vienna, Bachfest Leipzig, Felix! Festival Köln, The Georgian Concert Society Edinburgh, AMUZ Antwerpen, OudeMuziek Fabulous Fringe, :alpenarte Schwarzenberg and the Brighton Early Music Festival.

The ensemble is dedicated to educational outreach for children as well as adults, and members have designed and offered workshops and educational concerts in collaboration with the Royal Opera House, Centre for Young Musicians, Brighton Early

Music Festival, English National Opera, ZAMUS Cologne and Wigmore Hall. They have recently joined Live Music Now, a long-established music charity founded by Yehudi Menuhin.

Highlights this season include performances at Davos Festival, Festival RibAlt in Spain, York Early Music Christmas Festival, Schleswig Holstein Festival and an OudeMuziek Tournee across the Netherlands.

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## **Upcoming OMS Concerts**

2026

Sunday 25th January. 2.30pm Chloe Trio (Extra concert so not covered by Subscription)

Sunday 8th February 2:30pmSwingtet - Rockfield Centre

Sunday 1st March 2:30pmLuke Anderson Guitar with string quartet

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2:30pmDuo M (Violin & Piano)

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