



ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS

## PRESS RELEASE

November 2005

### For Immediate Release

### Valentine's Day Concert Tuesday 14 February 2006

On 14 February 2006, St Martin-in-the-Fields is celebrating Valentine's Day with an evening of superb music, fine champagne and delicious strawberries dipped in dark Belgian chocolate. The **London Musical Arts String Orchestra**, conducted by John Landor, will be performing a variety of romantic classics including Tchaikovsky's *Serenade Andante Cantabile*, Mozart's *Divertimento in D*, Boccherini's *Minuet* and Bach's *Concerto for two Violins in D minor* in the beautiful and romantic candlelit setting of St Martin's. Music lovers can complete their evening with a meal for two in the atmospheric Café in the Crypt.

For an extra £5 per ticket, customers can purchase a **Valentine' Day Special** – a glass of champagne and delicious strawberries dipped in dark Belgian chocolate. These can be enjoyed in the Café in the Crypt from 5pm on the evening of the concert or during the interval. \*\*\*

Tickets:           £20 [£25 including Valentine's Day Special]  
                      £16 [£21 including Valentine's Day Special]  
                      £12 [£17 including Valentine's Day Special]  
                      £9 [£14 including Valentine's Day Special]  
                      £6 [£11 including Valentine's Day Special]

Champagne and delicious strawberries dipped in dark Belgian chocolate can be purchased separately at the Café in the Crypt on the night for the price of £7.95.

Concert tickets can be bought online at [www.smitf.org](http://www.smitf.org) or via the Box Office on 020 7839 8362.

*For more information, images of the church and performances and enquiries about press tickets please contact Quintilla Hughes on [quintilla.hughes@smitf.org](mailto:quintilla.hughes@smitf.org) or 020 7766 1130.*

ENDS

**Notes to Editors**

- St Martin-in-the-Fields, with over 350 concerts a year, is one of the busiest music venues in the country. St Martin's **Concerts by Candlelight** series is renowned, drawing visitors from all over the world who are attracted by St Martin's superb acoustics, intimate and yet impressive surroundings and outstanding musicians. Concerts take place on Tuesdays and every Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 7.30pm and include Early and Baroque Music, chamber and world music, song and piano recitals. For more information on St Martin-in-the-Fields go to [www.smitf.org](http://www.smitf.org)
- Since 1992 London Musical Arts Ensemble has been based at the historic church of St Martin-in-the-Fields in London's Trafalgar Square, where it presents some twenty concerts each year. Formed by John Landor in 1985, it has played at many London venues including the Queen Elizabeth Hall and St John's Smith Square, performed at the St James's Festival and Greenwich Festival and toured Italy. The Ensemble has also developed music education programmes and presented many talented young soloists to the public. "...sensitivity and virtuosity from this versatile group of players" *Musical Opinion* and "...playing of great finesse...deliciously fleet and fresh" *The Independent*.