



## **Programme for Spring 2026**

Meetings are held monthly on Saturdays  
at Dower Court, William Plows Avenue, Heslington Road,  
York YO10 5AD  
2.00pm to 4.30pm.

### **January 10th**

#### **The Remarkable Mr Janacek**

Leos Janacek was a late developer. He was over 20 before he attempted composition; over 40 before his first important work appeared and over 60 before he had acquired an audience. But he has become a major Czech composer with an easily recognizable voice, as David Archer demonstrates.

### **February 7th**

#### **Weimar Berlin - Sounds of an Era**

"The city had a jewel-like sparkle, especially at night..." Guest speaker James Murray invites us to the sights and sounds of 'Twenties Berlin with original recordings from the worlds of Jazz, Operetta, Radio and Cinema.

### **March 14th**

#### **Oriental Influences**

Gavin Mist presents music that either was inspired by Eastern musical sounds or was written to pander to a fashionable taste for things 'Oriental'.

### **April 25th**

#### **A German Extravaganza**

Stephen Davis will present further classical favourites of Ludwig van Beethoven and will also conduct an examination of the highly dramatic operas of Richard Wagner, including highlights from his magical 'Ring' Cycle.

### **May 16th**

#### **Reich at Ninety: Music as a Gradual Process**

As the American composer Steve Reich heads towards his ninetieth birthday, guest speaker Chris Bartram presents a selection of excerpts from some of his major works, exploring Reich's contribution to minimalism - or as he himself put it, "music as a gradual process".

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