

VERDI **Aida and the Requiem**

Friday 28th February - Sunday 1st March 2020

The Mansion House, Wokefield Estate, Berkshire

Friday

5.00 *Assemble and welcome*

7.00 *Aperitifs*

7.30 *Dinner*

After dinner:

Aida and the Messa da Requiem: two unusual commissions

Saturday

8.15 *Breakfast*

9.30 *Aida: Act One*

11.00 *Coffee*

11.30 *Aida, Act Two*

12.45 *Lunch*

4.00 *Tea*

4.30 *Aida: Act Three*

7.00 *Aperitifs*

7.30 *Dinner*

After dinner:

Aida: Act Four



Sunday

8.15 *Breakfast*

9.30 *Messa da Requiem*

1. Requiem and Kyrie 2. Dies Irae

11.00 *Coffee*

11.30 *Messa da Requiem*

3. Offertorio 4. Sanctus 5. Agnus Dei

12.30 *Lunch*

2.00 *Messa da Requiem*

6. Lux Aeterna 7. Libera Me

3.15 *Departure*





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with Terry Barfoot and Gwyn Parry-Jones

Verdi is one of the great composers and his operas are constantly in the repertoires of the world's opera houses. The powerful combination of an unsurpassed melodic gift with an intuitive feel for dramatic structure accounts for his enduring popularity. During the course of our weekend we will explore aspects of his extraordinary life, and in particular *Aida* and the *Messa da Requiem*, two of his finest works, which date from a critical point in his career. Our musical examples using CD and DVD will be played on excellent hi-fi equipment.

There has been an estate at Wokefield since the first house was built in the 1560s. Set in 250 acres of Berkshire parkland, its history is etched in different architectural features, including the historic Mansion House.

Terry Barfoot writes widely on music for Britain's leading journals, orchestras, festivals and record companies. He lectures at Oxford University and venues throughout the country, is Publications Consultant to the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra and the Director of Arts in Residence.

Gwyn Parry-Jones studied with David Wynne and Alun Hoddinott, and graduated from the Royal Northern College of Music. He played for some years with the Halle and BBC Philharmonic Orchestras, and for many years lectured at Reading University, leaving recently to concentrate on his musical interests, principally conducting, performing and lecturing.

Course members will arrive on Friday around 5pm and depart on Thursday afternoon. Arts in Residence and Wokefield offer an excellent cuisine including dinners with wine.

Price: £295.00 per person (twin/double rooms), £320.00 (single rooms)
to include all meals, course fees and accommodation.

Full details and Booking: Arts in Residence,
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£50.00 per person deposit with booking. (Cheques payable to Arts in Residence.)

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