

Vocal Section

Classical/Traditional Classes

Adjudicator : Adrian Goss, BMus, ARAM, GRSM, FTCL, LRAM, LGSM, ARCO(CHM), FISM, FRSA

Classes to be held on 17th to 19th April 2026.

St John the Evangelist Church, Bridge Street, Derby, DE1 1DY / DE1 3HZ

Ages are set by school year age on 1st April 2026 unless stated otherwise.

Accompaniment information

Backing tracks (instrumental only) can **only** be used in classes V1, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V8, V9. An accompanist can also be used in these classes if preferred.

Other Information

Performing from photocopies is strictly forbidden and may result in disqualification with no refund of entrance fees.

Please note : The Adjudicator must be provided with the sheet music. A photocopy may be provided – however, it will be destroyed after the festival. Please ensure any original downloads are clearly marked as such at the top of the front sheet to ensure they are returned to the Entrant and not destroyed.

Class	No.	Fee	Age Group	Information	Trophy
Vocal Solo – Year 4 and under	V1	A	Boy or girl academic Year 4 and under	One own choice classical piece of Grade 1 - 2 standard. Time limit 3 mins.	Lacey Cup
Vocal Solo – Years 5 and 6	V2	A	Boy or girl academic Years 5 and 6	One own choice classical piece of Grade 1 - 2 standard. Time limit 3 mins.	Marjorie and Lilian Pullon Cup
Vocal Solo – Years 7 and 8	V3	B	Boy or girl academic Years 7 and 8	Own choice classical piece of Grade 1 - 3 standard. Time limit 3 mins.	Tudball Cup
Vocal Solo – Years 9 to 13	V4	C	Boy or girl academic Years 9 to 13	One own choice classical piece of Grade 3 - 6 standard. Time limit 3 mins.	Gladys Smith Cup
Chorister Solo Junior	V5	B	Boy or girl up to academic Year 13	One own choice religious piece. Time limit 3 mins.	Constance Pemberton Memorial Cup

Class	No.	Fee	Age Group	Information	Trophy
Young Ladies and Young Gentleman's Solo - Student	V6	C	18 – 21 years of age	One own choice Classical Song or Musical Theatre Song up to 1959. Time limit 4 mins	Ashbourne Cecilia Choir Cup
Words and Music – Open	V7	D	Open	One Art Song. Before singing, the performer will recite the poem. Poem and song from memory. Time limit 7 mins	Colin Whitby Cup
'Have a Go' non-competitive Junior Class	V8	B	Boy or girl up to academic Year 13	Non-competitive beginners class, one own choice piece. Adjudication only. Time limit 3 mins.	Certificate for all entrants
'Have a Go' non-competitive Senior Class	V9	C	Open	Non-competitive beginners class, one own choice piece. Adjudication only. Time limit 3 mins	Certificate for all entrants
Novice Solo	V10	C	18 years and over not having achieved 1 st place in an Adult or Open vocal class	One own choice classical piece. Performers should not have achieved '1st place' in an adult or open vocal class. Time limit 4 mins.	The Plumpton Trophy
Ladies Vocal Solo	V11	D	18 years and over	One own choice piece. Either Classical Song or Musical Theatre Song up to 1959 of Grade 4 standard or higher. Time limit 5 mins.	Stanton Rose Bowl
Gentleman's Vocal Solo	V12	D	18 years and over	One own choice piece. Either Classical Song or Musical Theatre Song up to 1959 of Grade 4 standard or higher. Time limit 5 mins	Lady Florence Duncombe Cup
Unaccompanied Folk Song – Junior Class	V13	B	Boy or girl up to academic Year 13	One own choice piece. Time limit 5 mins. Entrants cannot enter class V13 and V14	Festival Cup
Unaccompanied Folk Song – Senior Class	V14	C	18 years and over – not in class V13	One own choice piece. Time limit 5 mins. Entrants cannot enter class V13 and V14	Folk Song Cup
Operatic Solo and Light Opera	V15	D	Open	Includes Gilbert and Sullivan. One own choice piece. Time limit 6 mins	Laurence Lee Opera Company Cup
Oratorio or Religious Work Solo	V16	D	Open	One own choice piece. Copies may be used. Time limit 6 mins.	Ruth Morris Cup

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Foreign Language – Junior Class	V19	C	Boy or girl up to academic Year 13	One own choice piece. This may be unaccompanied or accompanied by piano or traditional instrument. Time limit 5 mins. Entrants cannot enter class V19 and V20	Mayfield Choral Society Cup
Foreign Language – Senior Class	V20	D	18 years and over – not in class V19	One own choice piece. This may be unaccompanied or accompanied by piano or traditional instrument. Time limit 5 mins. Entrants cannot enter class V19 and V20	William and Edith Haynes Trophy
'With A Song in my Heart'	V21	C	60 years and over	One own choice piece. For those of more 'mature' years who still enjoy singing. Time limit 5 mins.	Christine Smith Trophy
Vocal Duet – Junior Class	V22	C	Boy or girl up to academic Year 13	One own choice piece. Own choice song. Some harmony is expected. Time limit 6 mins.	The Groome Trophy
Vocal Duet – Senior Class	V23	D	18 years and over	One own choice piece. Own choice song. Some harmony is expected. Time limit 6 mins.	Brenda Tomlinson Trophy
Vocal Duet – Open	V24	D	Open	One own choice piece. Own choice song. Some harmony is expected. Time limit 6 mins.	Barbara Woolhouse Memorial Trophy
Vocal Ensemble	V24	E	Open	3 to 5 singers of any age. One own choice piece. Some harmony is expected. Time limit 6 mins.	Elizabeth Besant Cup
Junior Recital	V36	C	Boy or girl up to academic Year 13	Performers should choose a varied programme of 3 pieces. Time limit 13 mins, including introduction/explanations.	Doreen Gray Cup
Student Recital	V37	C	18-21 years – not entered in class V35 or V37	Performers should choose a varied programme of 3-4 pieces. Time limit 15 mins, including introduction/explanations.	Carnegie Trophy
Ladies and Gentleman's Recital	V38	D	21 years and over – not entered in class V36	Performers should choose a varied programme 3-4 pieces. Time limit 15 mins, including introduction/explanations. Trophy to highest placed lady and highest placed gentleman	Dawes Cup Campion St Methodist Church Cup