



INTRODUCTION

The hall known most recently as Watford Colosseum, and known widely as Watford Town Hall or Watford Assembly Rooms, has a long and distinguished musical history.

The musical qualities of the auditorium are such that the hall is regarded by leading professional musicians and recording engineers, as well as by generations of concert-goers, as being truly exceptional; some consider it to be one of the finest halls for music in the world.

As well as being of exceptional intrinsic musical quality, the hall is located in a strategically favourable position close to motorways and major routes and with mainline and underground train services and three nearby airports. It is an ideal location for a major regional musical centre.

For nearly ten years Classic Concerts Trust has kept professional concerts alive at the hall, attracting large audiences and generating considerable public support. Now with the hall closing in 2005 and with its very existence under threat, we need to ensure not only that it is saved and renovated, but that it will subsequently be able to develop its full musical potential.

MISSION

Watford Musical Heritage aims to ensure a flourishing musical life for this great building in the 21st century through providing a focus for public support and generating funds for artistic development.

OBJECTIVES

To ensure that the hall is renovated and re-opened after its closure in 2005.

To ensure that development of musical output through concerts and associated activities should be the highest priority of the new management.

To establish the Watford Musical Heritage Fund as an endowment fund to provide funding for an ongoing programme of artistic projects associated with the hall.

To establish a database of supporters of music at the hall, both from the music business and the general public.

To establish an archive celebrating the legacy of great music in Watford.

MUSICAL HERITAGE FUND

The aim of this fund is to generate a capital sum to provide an annual income with which to fund musical projects at or associated with the hall. Although the hall is particularly suited to orchestral music, it is a great venue for music of all styles. All it needs is funds for programme development.

Our vision is for the hall to provide musical experiences and inspiration for everyone; that there should be something for all ages, tastes and interests.

It may seem an impossible dream, but an investment of just £10 for each of the 4m people who live or work within easy reach of Watford would be more than enough to secure not only first class renovation and development of the facilities, but a huge scale of sustainable musical development.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

If you would like to see this dream become a reality then first of all please register your support using the attached form or log on to www.watfordmusicalheritage.org.uk. The power of the internet is a new tool in promoting public awareness. Watfordmusicalheritage.org.uk provides a way for those who care to register their support and stay in touch with developments.

You can also help by making sure that more people know about the potential of the hall and the great opportunity which exists to provide a wonderful musical resource for the new century. If you feel that you can do still more please get in touch with us.

Finally, please consider making a donation to the Watford Musical Heritage Fund or making a provision in your will. We need to raise a lot of money but if a lot of people do a little then incredible things can be achieved!

Please register at www.watfordmusicalheritage.org.uk or send completed forms and donations to:

Watford Musical Heritage
Classic Concerts Trust
25B Epsom Lane South
Tadworth
Surrey KT20 5TA



REGISTRATION / DONOR FORM

Please complete as applicable.
You can also register as an individual or organisation at www.watfordmusicalheritage.org.uk

Name _____

Address _____

Postcode _____ Tel _____

Email _____

I support the objectives of Watford Musical Heritage.

I would like my support credited where possible with:

Name Address Email

I am / have been professionally involved in the music industry as a

 I have worked at Watford Colosseum in this capacity.

I would like to be kept informed about Watford Musical Heritage and associated developments.

I would like to receive information about events promoted or supported by Classic Concerts Trust.

I would like to make a donation of £ _____ to the Watford Musical Heritage Fund.

Please make cheques payable to Watford Musical Heritage

I am a UK taxpayer - please treat any donations under Gift Aid rules.

Signed _____ Date _____



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◆ **ADMINISTRATION**

The Watford Musical Heritage Fund is managed by Classic Concerts Trust with the objective of generating a capital lump sum to be managed in such a way as to provide for sustainable long-term income.

The Watford Musical Heritage Fund is a restricted fund, which means that monies donated must be accounted for separately from other trust funds and that, unless it proves impossible to do so, they may be used only for the stated purposes.

Decisions regarding expenditure of both capital and income shall be at the sole discretion of the trustees and there shall be no obligation to spend income accruing within any particular time period so long as any surpluses are added to the capital sum.

The trustees may elect to provide for reasonable running costs from the fund.

In the event of it being impossible to use funds raised for the stated purposes - for example if the hall were to be demolished - then any funds raised may be used for alternative charitable musical projects at the discretion of the trustees.

The trustees reserve the right to create a new charity to administer Watford Musical Heritage and / or the Watford Musical Heritage Fund or to pass on the management, either in part or entirety, to any other charitable organisation deemed suitable.

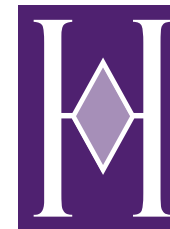
◆ **CLASSIC CONCERTS TRUST**

If you require any further information, or wish to get involved in helping to secure the future for music in Watford please contact the trust.

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