

## EXPLORING ENGLISH MUSIC

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2012**

**Leigh Park Country House Hotel,  
Bradford-on-Avon, Wiltshire**



### **With Ian Venables and Terry Barfoot**

We will explore the varied repertoire of English music in the company of one of the leading composers of our time, while also including music by celebrated figures such as Vaughan Williams, Bliss, Finzi, Britten, Arnold and Elgar. Music examples will be provided on excellent hi-fi equipment.

Set in five acres of landscaped gardens, **Leigh Park** is a classical Georgian country house hotel with character and elegance. There are 38 individually designed bedrooms, and the hotel has its own vineyard and kitchen garden.

**Ian Venables** composes in many genres, and in particular has added significantly to the canon of English art-song. His warm tonal music comes from the English lyric tradition, where he has recently been hailed as a 'song composer as fine as Finzi and Gurney'. His works are performed both nationally and internationally as well as on radio. He also lectures widely and is President of the Arthur Bliss Society and Chairman of the Ivor Gurney Society.

**Terry Barfoot** is Director of Arts in Residence. He writes widely on music for Britain's leading journals, orchestras, festivals and record companies. He lectures at Oxford and other universities, and is Publications Consultant to the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra and Vice-President of the Arthur Bliss Society.

**Price:** £275.00 per person (twin/double rooms), £299.00 (single rooms)  
to include all meals, wine with dinner, beverages, course fees and accommodation.

#### **Full details and Booking:**

**Arts in Residence**, 25, Mulberry Lane, Cosham, Portsmouth, PO6 2QU.

£50.00 per person deposit with booking. (Cheques payable to Arts in Residence.)

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### Tuesday

5.00 *Assemble and welcome*

7.00 *Aperitifs*

7.30 *Dinner*

After dinner music:

Elgar: Serenade for Strings

Finzi: Clarinet Concerto



### Wednesday

8.15 *Breakfast*

9.30 Bax: The Garden of Fand

Tippett: Fantasia Concertante on a Theme of Corelli

Delius: The Walk to the Paradise Garden

10.45 *Coffee*

11.15 Bridge: Phantasy Trio

Britten: String Quartet No. 3

12.30 *Lunch*

Free afternoon

4.00 *Tea*

4.30 Holst: Brook Green Suite

Venables: Piano Quintet

7.00 *Aperitifs*

7.30 *Dinner*

After dinner music:

Music by Eric Coates, Charles Williams, Haydn Wood, Trevor Duncan,  
Robert Farnon, and Billy Mayerl



### Thursday

8.15 *Breakfast*

9.30 Vaughan Williams: Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis

Bliss: Meditations on a Theme of John Blow

10.45 *Coffee*

11.15 Songs by Ireland, Gurney and Venables

12.30 *Lunch*

2.00 Howells: Paradise Rondel

Walton: Partita

Rawsthorne: Piano Concerto No. 1

Arnold: English Dances, Set 2

3.15 *Tea and Departure*

