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Monteverdi Apprentices Programme

Ambassadors: Dame Sarah Connolly and Mark Padmore

Since its inception in 2007, the Monteverdi Apprentices Programme has been a cornerstone professional development scheme for the classical music industry, nurturing talented young musicians as they navigate the precarious gap between higher education and a professional career.

The Programme is distinguished by the quality of the tuition, the fully embedded experience participants receive working alongside the Monteverdi Choir, the broad range of repertoire and the calibre of the course leaders and conductors. Apprentices participate for free and receive fees for their rehearsals and concert appearances.

In 2026 – 2027, we will offer 8 young singers the opportunity to become choral apprentices for a year of professional mentoring, tuition from world-renowned artists, and an embedded experience as they rehearse and perform alongside the Monteverdi Choir in several paid engagements at prestigious venues in the UK and around Europe.

As we receive no public subsidy, we rely on the generosity of individuals and grants from Trusts and Foundations to continue providing this invaluable initiative which benefits not only those who participate but also the wider music industry, as it supplies a pipeline of new talent who enter the profession with greater maturity, skill and experience.

To find out more about our Apprentices and become more deeply involved as a Programme Supporter, please get in touch with Will Handsides, Head of Development at will@monteverdi.org.uk.

The apprenticeship has helped me develop my confidence in navigating a career that incorporates both solo and choral work.

Claire Ward, 2023/24 Apprentice



Apprentices Final Recital – Thursday 9 July 2026, 8pm

We hope you will join us for this sparkling showcase – the culmination of our Apprentices' year spent on the Programme. In addition, we would be delighted if you would consider supporting the next cohort of Apprentices with a donation towards the Programme.

We hope that you feel inspired to support this important aspect of our work by making a donation on top of the price of your tickets to the Monteverdi Apprentices Final Recital. Tickets cost £25 each and we kindly suggest donations from £25 per ticket in addition. All contributions will be warmly appreciated and, of course, we would be extremely grateful if you wish to make a larger donation.

To book your tickets, please email Charlotte Walker, Development Assistant at charlotte@monteverdi.org.uk. Payment can be made using the details below.

Bank Name: HSBC UK Bank Plc
Account Name: The Monteverdi Choir and Orchestras Limited
Sort Code: 40-11-60
Account Number: 30211540

Please do get in touch if you have any questions.

The Apprentices Programme offers such a high level of training and music-making because you are embedded within the ensembles; you are held to the same account as everyone else. It is a level above other schemes I have been a part of.

Jonathan Hanley, 2018/19 Apprentice