

WISHING TREE

The Gesualdo Six • Owain Park
USA 2025



From the roots of choral singing to the flowering of a tradition

Embark on a captivating vocal journey with The Gesualdo Six as they curate a collection of exquisite vocal consort pieces. Experience Renaissance works celebrating nature and love by Cornysh and Byrd, alongside lyrical melodies by Ferrabosco and Gibbons. Discover how contemporary composers breathe life into verses by Christina Rossetti and Kathleen Jamie. Immerse yourself in skilful re-imaginings of traditional British folk songs that beautifully tie the sequence together.

“The Gesualdo Six are outstanding, shifting impeccably from renaissance polyphony to twenty-first century music.”

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PROGRAMME

William Byrd This sweet and merry month of May

David Bednall Put out into the deep
arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams Bushes and Briars

Alison Willis The Wind's Warning
William Cornysh Ah Robyn, gentil Robyn
Alfonso Ferrabosco So, so, leave off this last lamenting kiss

Joby Talbot The Wishing Tree

arr. Gordon Langford The Oak and the Ash

~ Intermission ~

arr. James Whitbourn The Lark in the clear air

Orlando Gibbons The Silver Swan
Jacques Arcadelt Il bianco e dolce cigno

Sarah Rimkus My heart is like a singing bird

Alec Roth The Flower
Owain Park *New work*

Eleanor Daley grandmother moon

Approximate duration: 1 hour 35 minutes, including 15-minute intermission

This programme may be adapted to run without intermission (c. 1 hour 10 minutes)

19 May 2024