

# Dulciana Vocal Ensemble

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Dulciana comprises of amateur and professional musicians; we meet once a week prior to each project. If you are interested in joining Dulciana please contact us via our website or email: dulciana.vocal.ensemble@gmail.com

## **PROGRAMME**

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Nara alt-J arr. Dervilla Roche

Remember Where You Are Iessie Ware arr. Éilis McLoughlin

**River Man** Nick Drake arr. Maeve O'Hara

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Point of Disgust Low arr. Éabha Harper-McKeever

I Fall Apart Rory Gallagher arr. Lucie O'Flynn

Oliver James Fleet Foxes arr. Éna Brennan

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Emma Langford arr. Maeve O'Hara

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Bloom Radiohead arr. James Lonergan

If I Had Words Scott Fitzgerald and Yvonne Keeley arr. Suzette Das

Jericho INIKO arr. Aodh Quigley

I'm high, I'm from outer space, I got Milky Way for blood, evolution in my vein, I'm gone, I've been far away, I'm a lumineer now, making moves, starting wayes.

I've been dreaming about flying for a long time, I had a vision from the grey's, they wanna co-

My Love, My Life ABBA arr. Sarah Thursfield

I've never felt this strong.
I'm invincible, how could this go wrong?
No, here, here's where we belong.
I see a road ahead
I never thought I would dare to tread.

Like an image passing by, My love, my life, In the mirror of your eyes, Nara alt-J arr. Dervilla Roche Gonna marry a man like no other, Light the fuse, Hallelujah, hallelujah.

Love is the warmest colour, Petrol blues, Hallelujah, hallelujah.

Comes saut dans le vide, my lover, In my youth, The greatest tide washed up my prize, you.

Follow, let him go, let him lead me be, Love is a pharaoh, and in front of me, I thought, "Let him be where he'd wanna be",

Love is a pharaoh and he's boning me.

I've discovered a man like no other man, I've found a love to love like no other can, He's found me, my Aslan.

Hallelujah, Bovay, Alabama. Marry a man like no other.

Hallelujah, Bovay, Alabama, Love is the warmest colour, Hallelujah, Bovay, Alabama, Unpin your butterflies, Russia,

Hallelujah, Bovay, Alabama, To be a deer in Nara. Hallelujah, Bovay, Alabama.

#### Remember Where You Are Jessie Ware arr. Éilis McLoughlin

The heart of the city is on fire, Sun on the rise, the highs are gonna fall, But nothing is different in my arms, So darling, remember where you are.

Do you remember where we are? I'm no enemy of yours, no, When life is hard that's how it goes, As your destiny unfolds, hold on. To the picture hung on the wall, Sweet reminder before the fall, Remember me, remember me.

To the places we used to go, Sweet reminder, so beautiful, Remember me, remember me.

Every day you get up and look out of the window, Take a breath of morning air, And listen to the people out there.

We are the last ones of our kind, Freedom of our hearts and mind, oh, Yes, let our bodies testify, And our spirits be entwined forevermore.

Every day you get up and look out of the window, Take a breath of morning air, And listen to the people out there.

As the birds are singing a duet with the morning traffic, What's the one you're hearing?

Can we keep moving in the after-hours? Can we keep loving on the edge of doubt? You should let me save the day, Please and thank the pain away. Why don't you take me home?

River Man Nick Drake arr. Maeve O'Hara Betty came by on her way, Said she had a word to say About things today And fallen leaves.

Said she hadn't heard the news, Hadn't had the time to choose A way to lose, But she believes.

Going to see the river man, Going to tell him all I can About the plan For lilac time. If he tells me all he knows About the way his river flows, And all night shows In summertime.

Betty said she prayed today For the sky to blow away, Or maybe stay She wasn't sure.

For when she thought of summer rain Calling for her mind again, She lost the pain And stayed for more.

Going to see the river man, Going to tell him all I can About the ban On feeling free.

If he tells me all he knows, About the way his river flows I don't suppose It's meant for me. Oh, how they come and go.

#### How You Get the Girl

Taylor Swift arr. Judith Lyons

That's how you get the girl.

Stand there like a ghost,
Shaking come the rain.
She'll open up the door
And say, are you insane?
Say it's been a long six months,
And you were too afraid to tell her what you want.
And that's how it works,

And then you say
I want you for worse or for better,
I would wait for ever and ever.
Broke your heart, I'll put it back together,
I would wait for ever and ever.
And that's how it works,
That's how you get the girl.

Remind her how it used to be, With pictures in frames of kisses on cheeks. Tell her how you must've lost your mind When you left her all alone and never told her why.

And that's how it works, That's how you lost the girl.

And now you say...

And you could know, oh, That I don't want you to go.

Remind me how it used to be. Pictures in frames of kisses on cheeks. And say you want me, yeah, And then you say...

#### Point of Disgust

Low arr. Éabha Harper-McKeever

Once, I was lost To the point of disgust, I had in my sight Lack of vision, lack of light.

I fell hard, I fell fast. Mercy me, It'll never last.

then, in the dust All the things we discussed Were thrown to the wind, So at last, we begin.

'cause we fall hard, We fall fast, Mercy me, It'll never last.

**INTERVAL** 

#### Dog Days are Over

Florence and the Machine arr. Sing & Tonics

Happiness hit her like a train on a track, Coming towards her stuck still no turning back.

She hid around corners and she hid under beds, She killed it with kisses and from it she fled.

With every bubble she sank with her drink, And washed it away down the kitchen sink.

The dog days are over, The dog days are done. The horses are coming, So you better run.

Run fast for your mother, run fast for your father, Run for your children, for your sisters and brothers,

Leave all your love and your longing behind, You can't carry it with you if you want to survive.

The dog days are over, The dog days are done, Can you hear the horses? 'Cause here they come.

And I never wanted anything from you, Except everything you had and what was left after that too.

Happiness hit her like a bullet in the back, Struck from a great height by someone who should know better than that.

**Julia** The Beatles arr. Katie Wink

Half of what I say is meaningless, But I say it just to reach you, Julia.

Julia, Julia, Ocean child calls me, So I sing the song of love, Julia.

Julia, seashell eyes, Windy smile calls me, So I sing the song of love, Julia. Her hair of floating sky is shimmering, Glimmering in the sun.

Julia, Julia, Morning moon touch me, So I sing the song of love, Julia.

When I cannot sing my heart, I can only speak my mind, Julia.

Julia, sleeping sand, silent cloud, Touch me, So I sing a song of love, Julia.

Hmm, hmm, Calls me, So I sing the song of love for Julia.

**Cinders** Julie Hough and Matthew Harris

Your cinders dispersing in the ashen morning,

It is a sound I could set my watch to.

Your fingers tap softly through my bedroom doorway,

It is a sound I could marry into.

Throw me through the window into morning traffic!

It is a sound I will always run from.

#### Dancin' in the Key of Life Steve Arrington arr. Lucie O'Flynn

I wake up in the morning Thinking of you, Get out of bed and Put on my dancing shoes.

I don't have a worry, Not a care in the world. I'm dancing in time With my favourite girl.

Don't you know that
Dancing feet,
Dancing in the key of life.

My dancing feet are nothing Without the spirit within, I know I'm gonna be there When the saints go marching in.

I wake up in the morning Thinking of you, Get out of bed and Put on my dancing shoes.

I don't have a worry,
Not a care in the world.
I'm dancing in time
With my favourite girl.
Dancing feet, Dancing in the key of life.

## The Winding Way Down to Kell's Bay Emma Langford arr. Maeve O'Hara

Oh the road stretches out before your feet On the winding way down to Kell's Bay. And the golden sunsets like no other they say On the winding way down to Kell's Bay.

Where sorrows met with smiling eyes And a great black cloak brushed with stars for a sky, And the old trees lean in there to whisper a tale All the winding way down to Kell's Bay.

There's a song in the heart of the people you'll meet On the winding way down to Kell's Bay. Yes a joke to be shared and a drink to be drunk On the winding way down to Kell's Bay.

And the green Kerry hills overlooking the sea And the fuschias are blooming so brightly and sweet, And the ocean could carry our worries away On the winding way down to Kell's Bay.

On the winding way down to Kell's Bay. Yes the ocean could carry our worries away On the winding way down to Kell's Bay. There's a saint on the hillside i dteach deas beag buí On the winding way down to Kell's Bay. Lean isteach leat a stóirín agus lig do scíth On the winding down to Kell's Bay.

And when the bell rings then we'll all head away On the winding road down to Kell's Bay. Where the ocean could carry our troubles away On the winding way down to Kell's Bay.

Fidelity Regina Spektor arr. Anna Whelan I never loved nobody fully, Always one foot on the ground,

And by protecting my heart truly, I got lost in the sounds I hear in my mind All of these voices, I hear in my mind All of these words, I hear in my mind All of this music, and it breaks my heart.

Suppose I never, ever met you, Suppose we never fell in love, Suppose I never ever let you kiss me so sweet and so soft?

Suppose I never, ever saw you, Suppose we never, ever called, Suppose I kept on singing love songs just to break my own fall?

All my friends say that of course, It's gonna get better.
I never loved nobody fully,
Always one foot on the ground.

And by protecting my heart truly I got lost in the sounds I hear in my mind, All of these voices, I hear in my mind All of these words, I hear in my mind All of this music and it breaks my heart.

Bloom Radiohead arr. James Lonergan Open your mouth wide,
A universal sigh.
And while the ocean blooms,
It's what keeps me alive.
So why does it still hurt?
Don't blow your mind with whys.
I'm moving out of orbit,
Turning in somersaults.
A giant turtle's eye,
As jellyfish float by.

## **Dowry Strings**

Dowry string ensemble was founded in 2018 and specialises in cross-timbral & cross-genre collaborations. Notable projects include a long-standing relationship with Bell X1, performing acoustic arrangements of their beloved back catalogue as well as recording new material on their most recent album Merciful Hour.

Violin I Aoife Dowdall

Violin II Éna Brennan\* Director of Dowry Strings

Viola Aoise O'Dwyer

Cello Yseult Cooper Stockdale.

### Dulciana Vocal Ensemble

Founded in January 2015 by Eoghan Desmond and Judith Lyons, Dulciana is a chamber choir committed to performing the very best in music for upper voices from across the ages. Since its very inception, part of Dulciana's mission has been the promotion of music by female-identifying composers, both those neglected by history, and those currently making history. This first manifested itself in the form of a concert consisting entirely of music by female composers – five pieces written for Dulciana by composers based in Dublin, alongside music by Rebecca Clarke and Imogen Holst. The following year, on International Women's Day, they launched a call for scores for music by emerging female composers, and some months later Dulciana received over 80 scores from around the world. Highlighting the many talented musicians within the group, their most recent stand-alone concert featured a programme consisting entirely of work composed or arranged by members of the ensemble.

They are also firm supporters of contemporary Irish composers, and alongside many others, Dulciana have premiered works by Éna Brennan, Eoin Mulvany and Jonathan Nangle. Further recent performances and accolades include collaborations with multi-instrumentalist and composer Dowry, performing with the RTÉ Concert orchestra for the opening of the 2022 Pipeworks Festival, guest slots at Kaleidescope nights, First Prize in the Female Equal Voice Category at the Derry International Choral Festival 2022 and Best Overall Choir and Best Performance of a Contemporary Irish Work in Lyric FM's Choirs for Christmas Competition 2022.

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