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La Folia

Be part of something extraordinary:

Young singers wanted!

Are you a young singer who would like to take part in Howard Moody's opera PUSH in August 2018? La Folia in association with Wiltshire Creative wants to to hear from you!

PUSH tells the story of Simon Gronowski, who, when he was 11 years old, was pushed by his mother off a train bound for Auschwitz in order to save his life. He survived, but didn't speak of his experiences for many years. When Howard met Simon in Brussels and heard his story, he promised that it would be the subject of his next opera.

Howard kept his promise! PUSH was commissioned by Glyndebourne Opera and Battle Festival to mark the 900th anniversary of the Battle of Hastings. It was first performed in Sussex in 2016 and again in Chichester Cathedral this year on Holocaust Memorial Day. You may have spotted it on television news...

World-class director Simon Iorio (Glyndebourne Opera) will lead the Salisbury performance in St Thomas's Church, with Howard Moody as musical director. The cast will include internationally-renowned soloists, 115 adult singers and a children's chorus, all accompanied by the La Folia orchestra.

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Despite the sombre story, PUSH is full of hope and belief in the 'power of human goodness' and packed with memorable scenes and great tunes – **the young people who have sung in it before are asking to come to Salisbury to do it again!** Simon Gronowski himself will be with us for the performances and also giving a talk about his life.

Dates of rehearsals and performances can be found below. To express an interest in taking part, **please contact Sue Kent: sue.kent@lafoliamusic.org / 01722 714249**

day	time	what	where
Monday May 21	17.00 – 20.00	rehearsal	Salberg Studio, Salisbury Playhouse
Tuesday May 22	17.00 – 20.00	rehearsal	Salberg Studio, Salisbury Playhouse
Wednesday July 11	17.00 – 20.00	rehearsal	Salberg Studio, Salisbury Playhouse
Monday August 20	17.00 – 20.00	rehearsal	St Thomas's Church
Tuesday August 21	17.00 – 20.00	rehearsal	St Thomas's Church
Thursday August 23	17.00 – 20.00	dress rehearsal 1 (with piano)	St Thomas's Church
Friday August 24	16.00 – 21.00	dress rehearsal 2 (with band)	St Thomas's Church
Saturday August 25	14.00 – 16.00 17.00 – 18.15 20.00 – 21.15	rehearsal performance 1 performance 2	St Thomas's Church