



### **Come and sing in a January sunrise**

On Saturday 27 January 2018 The Whitehall Orchestra is running a workshop on the complete ballet score of Ravel's *Daphnis et Chloé*.

This masterpiece is scored for large orchestra and an SATB chorus. You can read about it at [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daphnis\\_et\\_Chloé](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daphnis_et_Chloé) . It runs for about 55 minutes. You can listen to a performance by the Montréal Symphony Orchestra and Chorus under Charles Dutoit at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YHrstmOPKBQ> . Or you can watch a Royal Ballet performance at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H1XSculJrRs&list=PL62D4173FAE313D67> .

The wordless chorus is kept pretty busy throughout. One of the most tremendous sections is the sunrise scene about 40 minutes in – just the thing to dispel January gloom!

The chorus will rehearse on its own from 13.30 to 14.30. The Chorus Master will be Stephen Hall, Music Director of Etcetera - the Civil Service Choir (<http://www.civilservicechoir.org.uk/> ). After a break, the chorus will rehearse with the orchestra from 15.00 to 16.30. The workshop performance will be at 17.00. The conductor will be Michael Nebe, Musical Director of the Whitehall Orchestra (<https://www.whitehallorchestra.org.uk/> )

The workshop takes place in St Sepulchre Holborn, EC1A 2DQ. Vocal scores will be provided on the day – singers are welcome to arrive at any time from 10.00 onwards if they want to look through beforehand whilst the orchestra rehearses.

**If you would like to sing, please E-mail [events@whitehallorchestra.org.uk](mailto:events@whitehallorchestra.org.uk)** with your name and voice part and – just to give us some idea of how far this publicity has reached - the name(s) of the choir(s) in which you usually sing. There will be no charge for the event, but donations to help cover the Orchestra's costs will be very welcome, preferably through Gift Aid using a form that will be provided.