

Dear Music Lovers,

Spring is here and our spring season is up and running.

An exciting season started on 3 February with guest artists Lauri & Pascal Guitar Duo. Although this was to be the start of the spring season, London was this day covered in snow. With three of the performers stuck in Sweden due to the weather, we had to improvise a bit. As Swedes in London we could not cancel a concert because of snow so we went ahead with a slightly changed programme.

The next concert is on the 3 March and we are very happy to welcome the Swedish pianist Martin Sturfält together with the British cellist Marie Macleod to the Swedish Hall. They will perform music by Mendelssohn, Vaughan Williams, Valkare and Rachmaninoff.

Described by The Guardian as 'powerfully eloquent' and The Strad as 'a cellist who can hold a stage and captivate an audience', Marie Macleod is a passionate and diverse artist, performing extensively as soloist and chamber musician at major concert venues across Europe. She has appeared as soloist with orchestras throughout the UK and Sweden such as the London Symphony Orchestra and the Ulster Orchestra, and her performances are frequently broadcast by the BBC, Classic FM, Dutch Radio 4 and Swedish Radio.

Swedish pianist Martin Sturfält enjoys a busy international career as a concerto soloist and recitalist, and is also a passionate chamber musician. In recent years he has gained much recognition for his performances of the piano music by Swedish late romantic composer Wilhelm Stenhammar. In October last year British label Hyperion released a disc of Stenhammar's piano music with Martin.

Concerts always start at 7.30pm and are always on a Tuesday. More information about the society can be found on our website www.swedish-hall.org.uk where you can find up-to-date information about our concerts, the performers and tickets.

You can also join as a friend of Swedish Hall Concerts through buying our combined subscription & friend package. Not only would you then help our work and contribute to the future of the society, but you also enjoy the following benefits:

- 2 tickets to each of the 7 concerts
- A glass of wine at every concert
- A CD with highlights from each year's series
- A newsletter to keep you updated with the latest information

Friends will also be mentioned in programmes and on the website.

We look forward to seeing you at our concerts!

Kind regards



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