# SOUTHAMPTON YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Conductor

KEITH SMITH

THE GUILDHALL SOUTHAMPTON

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 29th 7.45 p.m. 1979

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Leaders

Robin Scurlock

Jeanette Chalk

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### Programme

Overture "SANTIAGO DE ESPADA ... ... Williamson

Adagio from "SPARTACUS" (Onedin Line Theme) ... Khachaturian

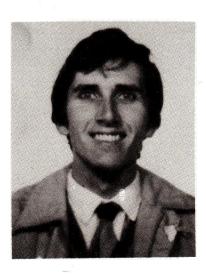
Interval

Symphony No 8 in G major

**Guitar Concerto** 

Dvorak

Rodrigo



Tonight's soloist, Peter White, whose home is in Gosport, was born in 1956 and began to study the guitar at the age of fourteen with Adrian Neville in Southampton. In 1975 he entered the Royal Northern College of Music, Manchester, where he is still working as a post-graduate student with Gordon Crosskey and visiting tutor John Williams. He has participated in master-classes given by Aliro Diaz, John Williams, Michael Lorimer and John Mills and has played on B.B.C. Television. This summer in Salzburg, Peter White gave several performances of the Rodrigo Concerto with the New English Orchestra.

It was in 1953 that Malcolm Williamson, now Master of the Queen's Music, first came to London from Australia to study composition. By 1958 he was already attracting much attention, especially with his First Piano Concerto, which he recently performed in Southampton with the Youth Orchestra. The Overture 'Santiago de Espada', also from that period, is probably his most-performed orchestral work. It is dedicated to Sir Adrian Boult, and is a consise rhythmical, yet highly tuneful work. It clearly shows the composer's ability to produce an individual and taut work based on one musical idea. From this single unit various contrasting rhythmic and melodic elements have been evolved, which in the final majestic section are combined in true counterpoint.

ADAGIO from the Ballet 'SPARTACUS' (Theme music from 'The Onedin Line')

Aram Khachaturian 1903 – 1978

The Armenian composer Khachaturian has received every honour available in the Soviet Union, but in the West he is best known for a few individual movements from his Ballet scores. These include the Sabre Dance from 'Gayane' and the present work, the Adagio from 'Spartacus', which seems so appropriate as the theme music for television's 'Onedin Line'.

CONCIERTO DE ARANJUEZ for Guitar and Orchestra

Joaquin Rodrigo b. 1902

Soloist - Peter White

Allegro con spirito; Adagio; Allegro gentile

Joaquim Rodrigo, who has been blind since the age of three, was born at Sagunto in the province of Valencia. The spirit of his native province runs throughout his works. After initial study in Spain he moved to Paris in 1927 in order to study with Dukas. He was also greatly influenced by fellow Spaniards Albeniz and Manuel de Falla who were also working in Paris at that time. After travelling widely Rodrigo returned to Spain at the outbreak of the Civil War in 1936, and devoted himself to directing radio concerts and composition. In 1939 he won instant fame with his Aranjuez Concerto for guitar and orchestra. Few works have received so enthusiastic an ovation at a first hearing.

Many of his early works had obvious sinuous melodies and Spanish rhythms, but in this work which is an outstandingly well-balanced composition, Rodrigo explores new fields of harmony and rhythm, and opens up vistas in the use of the orchestra with a solo guitar.

### INTERVAL OF TWENTY MINUTES

SYMPHONY No 8 in G MAJOR. Op. 88

Antonin Dvorak 1841 – 1904

10.00

Allegro con brio; Adagio; Allegretto grazioso; Allegro ma non troppo

Two events particularly associate this G major symphony with England. Firstly it was played at Dvorak's installation as Doctor of Music at Cambridge in 1891, and secondly was published by Novello in the following year. The work had, however, been composed in 1889.

Dvorak was a composer with a natural flair for melody, and this gift is particularly underlined in this work. is openhearted, expressive music; the expression of a simple delight in the sights and sounds of nature and an obvious love of his native land and its folk music.

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| 1st VIOLINS         | VIOLAS             | FLUTES          | HORNS                 |
|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Robin Scurlock      | David Cox          | Hazel Comber    | Sarah Poore           |
| Jeanette Chalk      | Bernadette Norman  | Isabelle Carré  | Ian Keith Moore       |
| Nigel Mountford     | Colin Lord         | Clare Cowhie    | Katerina Webb         |
| Linda Maddock       | Linda Collings     | Maria Roberts   | Jonathan Cox          |
| Simon Thorpe        | Helen Langdon      |                 | e                     |
| Cecilia Davis       | Helen Carter       | OBOES           | TRUMPETS              |
| Sheila Wanstall     | Caroline Frost     | Helen Cornford  | David Comford         |
| Virgina Brill       | Karen Pavey        | Sarah Cox       | Adrian Early          |
| Michael Cox         | Tracy Smith        | Carol Hunt      | Stephen Giles         |
| Megan Owen          |                    | Martin Packman  | Jonathan Bickle       |
| Marian Holness      | 'CELLOS            |                 |                       |
| Anne Knowles        | Adam Hunter        | CLARINETS       | 1                     |
| Elizabeth Clague    | Michael Mace       | A. Woods        | TROMBONES             |
| Sarah Key           | Olivia Landsberg   | Adrian Bickle   | Stuart Milne          |
|                     | Jacqueline Coleman | Harriet Fuller  | Barry Pointer         |
| 2nd VIOLINS         | Joanna Williams    | Paul Wellicome  | Paul Atkinson         |
| Ariane Pacifico     | Ingrid Karlsen     |                 |                       |
| Joanne Ford         | Sarah Chalk        | BASSOONS        | TUBAS                 |
| Ingrid Heintz       | Paul Boulton Smith | J. Spalding     | Peter Gosney          |
| Jacqueline Ayres    | Claire Stoodley    | Dawn Maling     |                       |
| Katherine Hay       | Wendy Rule         | Stephen Cashman |                       |
| Julia Ford          | Sarah Yates        |                 | TIMP'ANI & PERCUSSION |
| Claire Watson       |                    |                 | Anthony Taylor        |
| James Cleak         | DOUBLE BASS        |                 | Philip Wood           |
| Jacqueline Wanstall | Perri Seymour      |                 | Simon Hughes          |
| Rosalind Munday     | Donald Brown       |                 | " t                   |
| Vanessa Harwood     | Petrina Ridge      |                 |                       |
| Fiona Rogers        | Rachel Williams    |                 | A company             |
|                     | Keith Hammond      |                 |                       |