

**St Giles Orchestra**  
**Rehearsals and Concert at St Andrews Church**  
**Covid 19 Precautions**

The risk assessment that we have used for our normal rehearsals has been adapted to help keep the orchestra and audience as safe as possible. For a fuller explanation of the precautions listed here, please refer to the risk assessment.

As we will be spacing the orchestra more widely than usual, please arrive as early as possible for rehearsals to help. Please be patient. We will ensure ventilation which might make the church cooler than usual – please dress appropriately.

Before coming to the church for the rehearsals and concert, please carry out a lateral flow test if possible.

You must not attend a rehearsal or the concert if you should be self-isolating or if you have any symptoms of Covid 19 (a high temperature, a new continuous cough, a new loss or change to your sense of smell or taste). In addition to the most common symptoms, other symptoms such as runny nose, sore throat, headache, conjunctivitis and diarrhoea, can all be symptoms of Covid.

Provide your own music stand. You will not be able to share a stand. Bring a stand light if you have one.

Don't share pencils or rubbers.

Before entering the building put on a face covering and sanitise your hands. (Please provide your own sanitiser if possible).

Everyone must sign in on the printed register (in the side corridor for rehearsals and concert) confirming that to the best of your knowledge you are not Covid-19 positive.

In addition, if you have the Covid App you will be able to use it to register using a QR code.

Wind and brass should put a towel or similar on the floor by their seat to collect any drips from their instrument.

Avoid "mingling". Conversations should be limited and always from a distance of two metres.

Face coverings can be removed once you are seated but please be sensitive to those around you.

Avoid moving around if possible. If you do move, please wear your face covering. During the break / interval you may leave the church to go outside or into the corridors but please socially distance as much as possible.

Use hand sanitiser / soap and water before and after using the cloakrooms to reduce the risk of contamination of door handles etc.

**Concert Precautions**

Cash payments will be possible with hand sanitiser available on the ticket desk.

Orchestra members should use cloakrooms upstairs to minimise contact with audience.

String players may wear face coverings for the concert if they wish.

To avoid crowding in the green room you should also use the corridor outside to leave cases etc

No audience refreshments will be served during the interval.

Audience members will be encouraged to wear face coverings at least until they are seated, with the option they may be retained during the concert. They will also be encouraged to observe social distancing when choosing their seat.

**After the rehearsals and concert, if you experience Covid symptoms or test positive, please inform Olwen who will advise the rest of the orchestra without revealing your name.**