

Newsletter

Award News ...

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GREETINGS FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS!

We hope you have all managed to keep well during the past extremely difficult year.

After the end of the BREXIT transition period on 31st December 2020, the support that the Nicholas Danby Trust gives to European and UK students wishing to study outside their home tradition will become even more crucial. For UK students the outlook for study in the EU is not yet clear, but in many EU countries it is likely to be significantly more costly. Meanwhile, EU

students studying here will, from September 2021, have to pay full international fees, previously paid only paid by non-EU students. These can be nearly double what they would previously have paid. We do hope we can rely on your ongoing support ... and thank you!

Owing to the pandemic we have no new awards to report this year, but we thought you might like a few short updates on some recent NDT award recipients (see over). For more details of these and all award winners please go to our website: www.danbytrust.org.



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Following the death of NICHOLAS DANBY in 1997, the Nicholas Danby Trust was founded and we launched the Nicholas Danby Scholarship: a major postgraduate award, awarded biennially, for up to two years of European organ study. Later we introduced undergraduate bursaries, on the same lines, but for a course of one year.

Since 1998 we have made twelve awards to young organists, eight to UK students wishing to study in the EU and four to EU students for study in the UK. Overleaf you will find updates on the careers of five recent recipients ...

APPLICATIONS

The Nicholas Danby Scholarship will again (hopefully) be available in 2021. Bursaries are also available. Details and application formats are on our website: www.danbytrust.org

NDT Event 2021

THE TEMPLE CHURCH, LONDON EC4



ROGER SAYER, Organist of the Temple Church and a distinguished former pupil of Nicholas Danby, will give a recital for the NDT. This will be followed by a reception in the famous "Round" at the West End of the church.

Originally planned for June 2020, this recital has been tentatively rescheduled for
Thursday 3rd June at 7.30 p.m.

Please check our website:
www.danbytrust.org



PLEASE HELP US TO CONTINUE THIS VERY VALUABLE WORK!

(See tear-off slip below, or download from our website: www.danbytrust.org)

Thank you for your support! We have no paid staff, and all donations go directly into our awards.

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Some recent NDT award beneficiaries



RICHARD GOWERS (UK)
2014

Felix Mendelssohn Conservatoire, LEIPZIG.

Richard finished as organ scholar of King's College, Cambridge, in 2017 and has since pursued a freelance career jointly as a pianist and organist in London and has collaborated with a number of the UK's leading ensembles. He has recently given organ recitals at St Eustache, Paris, St John's Smith Square, Toulouse Les Orgues and Westminster Abbey. He is currently Director of Music at St Saviour's, Pimlico, and teaches at Cambridge University, Westminster School, Tiffins and Trinity Laban.



ANDRZEJ MALITOWSKI
(POLAND)
2017

The Royal Academy of Music, LONDON.

Andrzej has now returned to Poland, has married and is organist of St Francis of Assisi, Chorzov. He teaches organ at the Diocesan Music School in Gilvice and hopes soon to recapture his promising recital career (halted by Covid-19), including his recitals in the UK.

JAS HUTCHINSON BAZELY (UK)
2018

The Conservatorium van AMSTERDAM.

COVID-19 denied Jas of his many scheduled recitals last year (with the exception of King's College Cambridge, on 29th February.) He has now joined the music staff at Sevenoaks School as Graduate Music Assistant. We look forward to hearing him again from 2021!



FREDDIE JAMES (UK)
2015

Musikhochschule, STUTTGART

Freddie will shortly be moving from Basel, where he has been Organist at the Church of St Peter & Paul, whilst furthering his studies with organ and harpsichord at the Schola Cantorum.

In October 2020 he won first prize at the "Pierre de Manchicourt" competition in Béthune, France (together with prizes in Innsbruck, Alkmaar, Sion, Wiesbaden, Treviso and Pistoia).

From June 2021 he will become Organist of the Franciscan Church in Lucerne (famous for its two historic organs) and will teach organ at the Musikhochschule, Lucerne.



JEREMIAH STEPHENSON (UK)
2015

Conservatoire de Musique, TOULOUSE.

"As all my colleagues, I look forward with tentative hope to concerts resuming again! I was honoured to open the celebrity recital series at Selby Abbey before the pandemic struck. Other engagements include Buckfast Abbey and Uppsala Cathedral, Sweden.

"I was able to return to France this summer to perform in the Rocamadour Musique Sacrée Festival. I am currently Associate Director of Music at All Saints' Church, Margaret St, London.

"I am always realising new ways in which living and studying outside the UK has shaped my life and career. I hope the opportunities offered by the NDT will continue to give transformative experiences to other young organists seeking to broaden their horizons."

