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Welcome to the Kirklees Concert Season. Presented by Opera North and Kirklees Council, this annual season brings captivating concerts to Huddersfield and Dewsbury Town Halls.

The Orchestra of Opera North is unique amongst professional British orchestras in that it has a year-round programme of performances both in opera houses and concert halls. Each and every member of the Orchestra holds a passion for making music for the widest possible audience. It is always a delight to take to the stage with conductors and soloists who share that passion, be they from the Opera North family, or guests who are some of the brightest talents on the international scene. Great music is good for the soul. It is firm in that belief and in that spirit that we bring world-class music-making to your doorstep in Kirklees.

This year you can look forward to another fantastic selection of music in our orchestral series. In common with previous seasons, we have something for everyone. Whether you are looking for the intimacy of Mozart's 'Linz' Symphony and Debussy's impressionistic and dreamlike *Prélude à l'après-midi d'un faune*, or the large-scale romantic classics such as Ravel's *La valse*, Brahms' Symphony No. 3 or Mahler's Symphony No. 9, we've got it covered. Look out too for lesser-known masterpieces such as Sibelius' Symphony No. 6 and Bruch's Double Concerto – they won't disappoint.

Our chamber concerts in Dewsbury feature and are curated by members of the Orchestra and Chorus of Opera North. This year you will find string quintets, clarinet quintets, trios and more, as each programme showcases the unique textures and colours to be found in smaller ensembles of instruments. With food available beforehand, these concerts make for a musical lunchtime treat.

Back in Huddersfield, Town Hall Organist David Pipe has invited some of his finest fellow organists from across the country to perform on the marvellous 'Father' Willis organ, which has been delighting audiences at the Town Hall for over a century. This year, we welcome organists from Denmark, France, Germany and Greece, as well as star players from the UK.

There is so much to choose from and be inspired by. Whether you join us for an orchestral classic, a reflective moment of chamber music or a powerful organ recital, or all of the above, we look forward to giving you a warm welcome at a concert soon.

Orchestral concerts

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Prokofiev's Fifth Symphony

Thu 24 Sep, 7.30pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

Two wartime symphonies bookend a dazzling piece for solo cello and orchestra. Sibelius' Sixth Symphony finds peace in a nature-inspired reverie. Prokofiev's Fifth Symphony, meanwhile, sounds as if it has been hewn from the factory floor rather than nature – there's bite and energy, but dark lyrical moments too, before an outwardly triumphant finale. The light-hearted centre of the concert is Tchaikovsky's spirited 'Rococo' Variations with soloist Guy Johnston.

Sibelius Symphony No. 6
Tchaikovsky Variations on a Rococo Theme
Prokofiev Symphony No. 5

Garry Walker conductor
Guy Johnston cello
Orchestra of Opera North

Opera North Youth Orchestra

Tchaikovsky's Second Symphony and more

Sun 1 Nov, 3.30pm
Dewsbury Town Hall

The Opera North Youth Orchestra (ONYO) returns to Dewsbury with a fantastic programme which showcases each section of the orchestra. ONYO is made up of young musicians aged 16–21 from across the North, led by conductor Oliver Rundell and coached by members of the Orchestra of Opera North. Join us in celebrating their achievements so far this academic year with an afternoon of exciting repertoire including:

Dukas Fanfare from La Péri
Elgar Serenade for Strings
Bruch Violin Concerto No. 1
Pärt Fratres
Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 2

Oliver Rundell conductor
Matteo Cimatti violin
Opera North Youth Orchestra

Debussy, Ravel and more

Thu 3 Dec, 7.30pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

All the opulence and sensuality of late Romanticism is captured in this quartet of concert hall classics. Debussy's *Prélude à l'après-midi d'un faune* is a remarkable example of literature transformed into music. The lilt and courtly charms of the Viennese waltz course through both Strauss' *Der Rosenkavalier* suite and Ravel's *La valse*. Liza Ferschtman is soloist in Korngold's much-loved Violin Concerto, rich with unforgettable melodies borrowed from the composer's Hollywood movie scores.

Debussy *Prélude à l'après-midi d'un faune*
Korngold Violin Concerto
R. Strauss *Der Rosenkavalier* – Suite
Ravel *La valse*

Antony Hermus conductor
Liza Ferschtman violin
Orchestra of Opera North

Christmas Gala

Thu 10 Dec, 7.30pm
Dewsbury Town Hall

Gather together with family and friends and get your celebrations off to a magical start with a feast of Christmas music, new and old. There will be carols for all to sing (including *O Come, All Ye Faithful* and *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*) plus festive favourites performed by the Orchestra of Opera North, joined by the many singers of the Opera North Chorus, Youth Chorus and Young Voices.

Selections from Tchaikovsky's *The Nutcracker Suite*, *The Christmas Song* as made famous by Nat King Cole, carols by John Rutter and Eric Whitacre, the ever-popular *Sleigh Ride ...and much more!*

Anthony Kraus conductor
Orchestra and Chorus of Opera North
Opera North Youth Chorus and Young Voices

Brahms' Third Symphony

Thu 21 Jan, 7.30pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

Ryan Wigglesworth conducts Mendelssohn and Brahms alongside a work by one of classical music's greatest radicals. Brahms wrote his Third Symphony while at the height of his powers – it was an immediate success and the third movement contains one of the most beautifully yearning melodies he ever wrote. It's paired with a rippling, elegant overture by then child prodigy Felix Mendelssohn, and a passionate, lovelorn song-cycle with soloist Sophie Bevan.

Mendelssohn Die schöne Melusine
Berlioz Les nuits d'été
Brahms Symphony No. 3

Ryan Wigglesworth conductor
Sophie Bevan soprano
Orchestra of Opera North

Opera North Youth Orchestra

Beach's Gaelic Symphony and more

Sun 21 Mar, 3.30pm
Dewsbury Town Hall

The Opera North Youth Orchestra (ONYO) make their second appearance of the season at Dewsbury Town Hall. ONYO is made up of young musicians aged 16-21 from across the North, led by conductor Oliver Rundell and coached by members of the Orchestra of Opera North. Their concert programme includes the first symphony by an American female composer.

Carwithen Bishop Rock – Overture
R. Strauss Horn Concerto No. 2
Beach Symphony in E minor, 'Gaelic'

Oliver Rundell conductor
Toby Johnson-Jones horn
Opera North Youth Orchestra

Mozart and Mahler

Thu 22 Apr, 7.30pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

Mahler's Ninth (and final complete) Symphony is the ultimate farewell from a composer who was truly a master of a seismic symphony! The music is peppered with allusions to the 'great beyond' and hums with a thirst for life. 'It is the expression of a tremendous love for this earth' wrote fellow composer Alban Berg. Mozart's sunny 'Linz' Symphony – one of his finest – opens the concert. It is a light contrast to the Ninth Symphony by Mahler, who was himself a huge exponent of Mozart's work.

Mozart Symphony No. 36, 'Linz'
Mahler Symphony No. 9

Garry Walker conductor
Orchestra of Opera North

Sibelius' Second Symphony

Thu 27 May, 7.30pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

In his Second Symphony, Sibelius summons one of the great feel-good finales of the symphonic repertoire – despite his inner grief and anxiety over his daughter's ill health – a musical balm wrought in shining orchestral colours. Strauss pours forth his own despair in *Metamorphosen*, written as Europe limped towards the close of the Second World War. The Orchestra of Opera North's own David Aspin and Oliver Casanovas Nuevo display the warm sonorities of the clarinet and viola as soloists in Bruch's Double Concerto.

R. Strauss Metamorphosen
Bruch Double Concerto for Clarinet and Viola
Sibelius Symphony No. 2

Erina Yashima conductor
David Aspin viola
Oliver Casanovas Nuevo clarinet
Orchestra of Opera North

Schubert's Fifth Symphony

Sun 4 Jul, 4pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

The season rounds off with a delightful afternoon concert directed by Orchestra of Opera North Leader, Katie Stillman. There's an American accent in parts: Jessie Montgomery's *Banner* draws on patriotic songs of the US, while Copland's *Appalachian Spring* is rich with wide, open harmonies and rhythmic vitality. It's not all American though and we also hear Grieg's Suite for string orchestra, modelled on a series of dances, and Schubert's Fifth Symphony, a cheerful tribute to the style of his beloved predecessor Mozart.

Jessie Montgomery Banner
Grieg Holberg Suite
Copland Appalachian Spring
Schubert Symphony No. 5

Katie Stillman director
Orchestra of Opera North

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The Reviews Hub



Strings of Opera North

Wed 2 Sep, 12.30pm
Dewsbury Town Hall

The string section of the Orchestra of Opera North takes centre stage for the first chamber lunchtime concert of the season, directed by Leader Katie Stillman. The playful *Entr'acte* from Pulitzer Prize-winning composer Caroline Shaw opens the programme. Tchaikovsky's *Souvenir de Florence* for string sextet was completed following a stay in its namesake city, and has become a mainstay of the string chamber repertoire.

Caroline Shaw *Entr'acte*
Tchaikovsky *Souvenir de Florence*

Katie Stillman director
Strings of the Orchestra of Opera North

Ravel, Debussy and Bax

Trios for flute, viola & harp

Wed 11 Nov, 12.30pm
Dewsbury Town Hall

The combination of flute, viola and harp was not first imagined by Debussy, but his colourful, playful *Sonata* of 1915 (a staple for the ensemble) did make it a more popular trio. Bax's reflective *Elegiac Trio* dates from around the same time, while an arrangement of Ravel's *Sonatine* for piano is another shining demonstration of this grouping's unique sound.

Ravel *Sonatine* arranged for flute, viola and harp
Bax *Elegiac Trio*
Debussy *Sonata* for flute, viola and harp

Luke O'Toole flute
David Aspin viola
Celine Saout harp

Schubert's String Quintet

Wed 28 Oct, 12.30pm
Dewsbury Town Hall

The String Quintet in C major was the last piece Schubert completed. Though it remained unpublished for some 30 years, it has gradually gained recognition as a masterpiece among chamber music. The music is a rich tapestry of beauty and darkness, balancing unsettling drama with sublime euphoria.

Schubert String Quintet in C major

Byron Parish violin
Oliver Baily violin
Lourenço Macedo Sampaio viola
Lydia Dobson cello
Damion Browne cello

University of Huddersfield Brass Band

Mon 7 Dec, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

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Mon 14 Dec, 12.30pm
Dewsbury Town Hall

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Mozart's Clarinet Quintet

Music for reed and strings

Wed 27 Jan, 12.30pm
Dewsbury Town Hall

Mozart's Clarinet Quintet was one of the earliest and now best-known pieces written specifically for the instrument. The beautiful blend of the clarinet with strings inspired many future composers. Pulitzer Prize and Grammy Award-winning Corigliano wrote for the same ensemble, where as Françaix's *Divertissement* puts the bassoon centre stage with the strings.

Mozart Clarinet Quintet
John Corigliano Soliloquy
Françaix *Divertissement* for bassoon and string quintet

Andrew Mason clarinet
Claire Osborne violin
Catherine Landen violin
Anne Trygstad viola
Daniel Bull cello
Adam Mackenzie bassoon

Korngold and Frank Bridge Trios

Wed 24 Feb, 12.30pm
Dewsbury Town Hall

A delightful collection of chamber music for soprano, trombone and piano, curated by Opera North trombonist Blair Sinclair and featuring Chorus member Pasquale Orchard. The concert includes a beautifully evocative song cycle by Frank Bridge and a piece by Schubert that pays homage to Beethoven, plus more to be announced.

Korngold Was du mir bist?
Bridge Three Songs
Schubert Auf dem Strom

Pasquale Orchard soprano
Blair Sinclair trombone

Beethoven's To the distant beloved

Songs for soprano and tenor

Wed 31 Mar, 12.30pm
Dewsbury Town Hall

Two members of the Chorus of Opera North bring a selection of songs to Dewsbury Town Hall for the final lunchtime chamber concert of the season. The programme includes Beethoven's popular *An die ferne Geliebte* (*To the distant beloved*), a tender, sentimental setting of poetry by Alois Jeitteles.

Beethoven An die ferne Geliebte
R. Strauss Songs from 'Sechs Lieder Op. 68'
Britten On this Island

Plus a selection of Neapolitan songs and Romances

Charlie Drummond soprano
Kamil Bien tenor
David Cowan piano

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Invest in our world-class Orchestra and Chorus

At Opera North we take immense pride in the success of our Orchestra and Chorus. As the arts and culture industries continue to navigate an increasingly challenging economic environment, with some of our peers compelled to reduce these vital artistic forces, we are firmly committed to large, full-time permanent ensembles.

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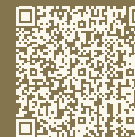
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Amy Edwards, Amplify Supporter

'I have had the privilege of attending sitzprobes and rehearsals, it has given me fascinating insights into the creative processes behind an opera. It's an amazing experience and highly recommended!'

Alasdair MacCuish,
Patron & Amplify Supporter



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Kirklees Concert Season Calendar

2026

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Mon 7 Sep	1.00pm	David Pipe	Organ	HTH
Mon 21 Sep	1.00pm	Joshua Simões	Organ	HTH
Thu 24 Sep	7.30pm	Prokofiev's Fifth Symphony	Orchestral	HTH
Mon 5 Oct	1.00pm	Svyati Duo	Organ	HTH
Mon 19 Oct	1.00pm	Emmanuel Hocdé	Organ	HTH
Wed 28 Oct	12.30pm	Schubert's String Quintet	Chamber	DTH
Sun 1 Nov	3.30pm	Opera North Youth Orchestra	Orchestral	DTH
Mon 2 Nov	1.00pm	Peter King	Organ	HTH
Wed 11 Nov	12.30pm	Ravel, Debussy and Bax	Chamber	DTH
Mon 16 Nov	1.00pm	Paul Carr	Organ	HTH
Mon 30 Nov	1.00pm	Stephen Disley	Organ	HTH
Thu 3 Dec	7.30pm	Debussy, Ravel and more	Orchestral	HTH
Mon 7 Dec	1.00pm	University of Huddersfield Brass Band	Organ	HTH
Thu 10 Dec	7.30pm	Christmas Gala	Orchestral	DTH
Mon 14 Dec	12.30pm	University of Huddersfield Brass Band	Chamber	DTH
Fri 18 Dec	1.00pm	Music for Christmas	Organ	HTH

2027

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Thu 21 Jan	7.30pm	Brahms' Third Symphony	Orchestral	HTH
Mon 25 Jan	1.00pm	William Campbell	Organ	HTH
Wed 27 Jan	12.30pm	Mozart's Clarinet Quintet	Chamber	DTH
Mon 1 Feb	1.00pm	Friedhelm Flamme	Organ	HTH
Mon 15 Feb	1.00pm	Tina Christiansen	Organ	HTH
Wed 24 Feb	12.30pm	Korngold and Frank Bridge Trios	Chamber	DTH
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David Pipe

Mon 7 Sep, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

David Pipe opens the new season with a concert of works inspired by the variation form.

Karg-Elert Barber	Homage to Handel Wondrous Love, Variations on a Shape-Note Hymn
J. S. Bach Sweelinck Bonnet	Passacaglia Mein junges Leben hat ein End Variations de concert

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Joshua Simões

Mon 21 Sep, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

Joshua Simões, prizewinning Assistant Director of Music at His Majesty's Chapel Royal, Hampton Court, makes his debut in Huddersfield. His programme includes some of the most demanding pieces in the repertoire.

Olsson	Prelude and Fugue in D-sharp minor
Mendelssohn Gerald Barry	Variations sérieuses The Chair
Reger	Symphonic Fantasia and Fugue in D minor, 'Inferno'

Svyati Duo

Mon 5 Oct, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

The Svyati Duo have forged an international reputation for their stunning recitals and pioneering commissioning of music for cello and organ. With beautiful melodies and stirring dances, the programme includes:

Zsolt Gárdonyi Jongen	Variations on a Hungarian Chorale Humoresque
Ad Warmmes	The day that was
Piazzolla	Libertango

Rebecca Hepplewhite cello
Julian Collings organ

Emmanuel Hocdé Peter King

Mon 19 Oct, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

French organist Emmanuel Hocdé plays in the Town Hall for the first time. Organist of Laval Cathedral in France's Pays de la Loire region, he won the prestigious Chartres International Organ Competition in 2002. His programme includes some of the great French masterpieces:

J. S. Bach	Toccatà, Adagio and Fugue in C major
Franck Vierne Alain	Prélude, fugue et variation Carillon de Westminster Litanies

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Mon 2 Nov, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

The celebrated Organist Emeritus of Bath Abbey brings a virtuosic programme to Kirklees. Recognised for his authoritative performances, Peter delivers a stunning selection with some of his own arrangements of music by Respighi, Schumann and Ligeti. The programme includes:

Respighi Ligeti	Preludio from 'The Birds' Musica ricercata
Saint-Saëns Iain Farrington	Danse macabre Voices of the World

Paul Carr

Mon 16 Nov, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

Paul Carr is based in Birmingham, as an organist, recitalist, choral director, accompanist and teacher. His concerts take him round the world, and he has been Artistic Director to the Thursday Live organ recital series in St Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham, since 2016. The programme includes:

Gigout J. S. Bach Walton Guilmant	Grand chœur dialogué Prelude and Fugue in D major Popular Song from 'Façade' Sonata No. 1 in D minor
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Stephen Disley

Mon 30 Nov, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

Stephen Disley makes a welcome return to Huddersfield. He has collaborated with choirs and orchestras around the world, with recent performances including Janáček's *Glagolitic Mass* at the Montepulciano Festival in Italy. The programme includes:

Roderick Elms Naji Hakim Sowerby Ravel	Carillon Festivo To Call My True Love to My Dance Comes Autumn Time Toccatà from 'Le Tombeau de Couperin'
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University of Huddersfield Brass Band

Mon 7 Dec, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

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Mon 14 Dec, 12.30pm
Dewsbury Town Hall

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University of Huddersfield Brass Band

Music for Christmas

Fri 18 Dec, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

The Huddersfield Youth Choirs present a selection of Christmas music from around the world. With the hall decorated colourfully, carols for all to sing, and the beautiful voices of the choirs joined by David Pipe at the mighty Willis organ, this will surely get you into the festive spirit!

Eleni Keventsidou William Campbell

Mon 11 Jan, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

We welcome the Greek virtuoso Eleni Keventsidou for her first trip to Huddersfield. A leading expert on the music of Max Reger, she performs his *Fantasy and Fugue on the name BACH*, alongside charming works from her native Greece:

Alain J. S. Bach	Scherzo from 'Suite pour Orgue'
J. S. Bach	Fantasia and Fugue in C minor
Yiannis Drositis	Greek traditional song from the Dodecanese islands
Reger	Fantasy and Fugue on the name BACH

Mon 25 Jan, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

William Campbell was recently appointed Assistant Director of Music at Peterborough Cathedral. A multi-instrumentalist and award-winning composer, his playing is recognised for its energy and passion.

Whitlock	Fantasia Choral No. 1 in D-flat major
Price	Retrospection (An Elf on a Moonbeam)
Vierne	Symphony No. 4 in G minor

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Friedhelm Flamme Tina Christiansen

Mon 1 Feb, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

Based in north Germany, Friedhelm Flamme has a vast repertoire and unparalleled discography of music from all periods and schools. As Artistic Director of the Vox Organi festival, he leads one of the world's largest celebrations of organ music. The programme includes:

Lübeck	Praeludium in D minor
J. S. Bach	Chromatic Fantasia and Fugue
Huw Morgan	Haven
Bartmuß	Toccata in C minor

Mon 15 Feb, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

Tina Christiansen visits from Denmark, where she is Organist and Director of Music at Ansgar's Church in Odense, and Artistic Director of the Odense International Organ Festival. Her programme includes:

Åhlén	Allegro festivo
J. S. Bach	Prelude and Fugue in A minor
Franck	Pièce héroïque
Nowowiejski	Finale: Improvazione from Symphony No. 9

Gordon Stewart

Mon 1 Mar, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

Gordon Stewart, Organist Emeritus, makes his ever-popular annual visit to the Town Hall, bringing his unrivalled knowledge of the 'Father' Willis organ's colours. The programme includes:

Lemare	Thanksgiving March
J. S. Bach	Prelude and Fugue in G minor
Carter	Passacaglia and Fugue
Hollins	Grand Choeur in G minor

David Pipe Organ Finale

Mon 15 Mar, 1pm
Huddersfield Town Hall

David Pipe takes us on a journey through music from film and television. Samuel Barber's haunting *Adagio* sits alongside modern American works, before Gershwin's playful dog-walk leads us into Saint-Saëns' rousing theme. The programme includes:

Barber	Adagio
John Williams	Hymn to the Fallen
Gershwin	Promenade: Walking the Dog
Saint-Saëns	Finale from Symphony No. 3

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Huddersfield Town Hall

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Dewsbury Town Hall

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Chamber and organ concerts*

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Christmas Gala*

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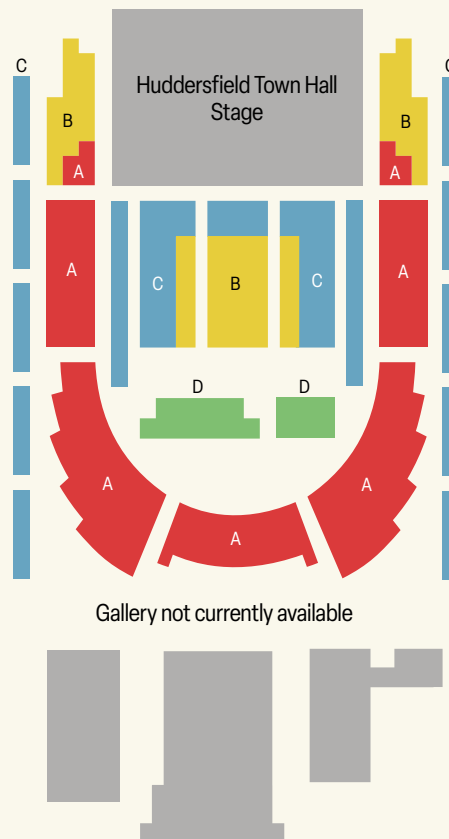
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Seating area _____

Seating Area	A	B	C	D
Stalls				
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