

PRESS INFORMATION

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WESSEX MALE CHOIR WINS FIRST PLACE AT INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL!

Swindon's Wessex Male Choir is celebrating having achieved first place at the International Music Eisteddfod in Llangollen this weekend (Saturday 9th July).

The choir, which has its ten-year anniversary this year, was awarded first place in the Male Choir competition and sang three pieces - 'Psalm 150', 'Spas Eniye Sodelal' (Salvation is Created) and 'Demon in my View'.

The competition took place in front of an audience of over 3,000 and Wessex beat three past winners to take first place. It also won by an impressive seven points over the 2nd place choir, Rhosllanercrugog from Wales.

The competition was judged by a panel of International adjudicators whose Chairman, Professor Peter Erdei from Hungary, commented, 'Wessex sung with immense control and communication.'

Musical Director Robert Elliott said, 'It really is a dream come true to have won at this prestigious competition in Llangollen. We have been perfecting our pieces for most of the past year and the guys performed them in an immaculate fashion on Saturday.'

Wessex Male Choir also came third in the Chamber Choir competition.

The International Eisteddfod is held in Llangollen in North-East Wales every year and attracts performers from across the globe. Around 4,000 performers sing and dance in a number of competitions and performances.

Wessex Male Choir was formed in 2001 by its musical director, Robert Elliott, and started with just 25 choristers. It now has over 60 members and performs throughout the year all over the UK.

The choir rehearses on Tuesday evenings between 7:30 - 9:30pm in Abbey Meads, Swindon. To find out more email membership@wessexmalechoir.co.uk or call Rob Elliott on 07939 249021.

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