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## **LANCASHIRE CHAMBER ORCHESTRA WIND ENSEMBLE ON STAGE FOR ALTRINCHAM CONCERT**

Lancashire Chamber Orchestra offers a rare chance to hear Mozart's glorious Gran Partita (Serenade No 10) in Altrincham on the afternoon of Sunday 10 March – performed by a 13-strong wind ensemble featuring two rarely-heard basset horns.

Strings take a back seat for this concert as the entire programme is devoted to the orchestra's wind instruments, performing Mozart's amazing full-length work scored for two oboes, two clarinets, two basset horns, two bassoons, four horns and a contrabassoon.

Now thought to have been originally composed in two sections for two different concerts staged around 1781, the Serenade combines both pieces into a single work which consists of seven distinctive movements and will be performed in two halves, with the popular tea and cake interval providing a break after the fourth movement.

The Lancashire Chamber Orchestra will again be under the baton of conductor Robert Chasey, former violin section leader with the BBC Philharmonic Orchestra, with oboist Lindsay Kershaw as ensemble leader.

Bob said: "We are delighted to showcase our group of extremely talented wind players for this unusual concert, which offers a rare opportunity to hear

Mozart's brilliant Gran Partita. The string section are taking a rest but will return with a concert devoted to string music on Sunday 9 June and the whole orchestra reunites on Sunday 10 November for our usual autumn performance."

The concert will be held at Altrincham Grammar School for Girls, on Sunday 10 March, starting at 3pm. Tickets cost £12 (children free), including a programme, and free tea and cakes in the interval. They may be reserved in advance by ringing the LCO box office on 07941 826511. For more information, visit <https://lancashirechamberorchestra.co.uk>.

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