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Give the gift of music this Christmas!
There's something for everyone
in our hand-picked selection of 2026
concerts from Scotland's National
Orchestra.

**For the timeless
romantic**

Rachmaninov & The Mermaid

ABN Thu 12 Feb **EDN** Fri 13 Feb
GLW Sat 14 Feb

The perfect Valentine's date night?
We think so! Kevin John Edusei conducts
Tchaikovsky's *Romeo and Juliet Fantasy Overture* before he's
joined by RSNO favourite Makoto Ozone for Rachmaninov's
deliriously romantic *Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini*.

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Nicola Benedetti plays Elgar

DND Thu 14 May **EDN** Fri 15 May **GLW** Sat 16 May

Scotland's best-loved violinist, Nicola Benedetti,
will bring Elgar's lyrical Violin Concerto
to life. Her performance is the big,
passionate heart of a concert that
ends amid the glittering romance of
Stravinsky's great ballet *The Firebird*.
Music doesn't get more colourful!



For the movie buff Gladiator in Concert

EDN Fri 13 Mar **GLW** Sat 14 Mar

Presented in association with
CineConcerts, enjoy sword-and-
sandals epic *Gladiator* like you've never
experienced it before! Relive the legendary
film on the big screen, with the RSNO and
its Chorus performing Hans Zimmer and Lisa
Gerrard's award-winning score live on stage.

The Music of John Williams

DND Thu 7 May **EDN** Fri 8 May
GLW Sat 9 May

No one writes a movie theme
like John Williams! Join Hollywood
conductor Richard Kaufman for hit
after hit; from *Schindler's List*, *E.T.* and
Superman to the music of *Harry Potter*,
we've got your favourites covered.



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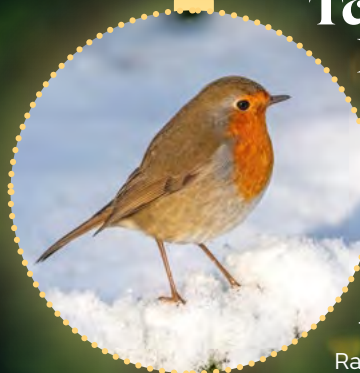
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For the adventurer

Tchaikovsky's Fourth Symphony

DND Thu 19 Mar **EDN** Fri 20 Mar
GLW Sat 21 Mar

Experience the world premiere of
a wonderful new set of songs from
Elena Langer, inspired by the songs
of birds and the nature poetry of Glyn
Maxwell*. It's the tranquil introduction to
Tchaikovsky's shattering Fourth Symphony.
Raw tragedy, roof-raising triumph: it's
explosive stuff.



*Commissioned by the RSNO. Elena Langer's *The Lives of Birds* is generously
supported by **Javan Herberg KC** and **Jessica Boyd KC**.

For the piano lover

Ethan Loch Plays Gershwin

EDN Fri 27 Mar **GLW** Sat 28 Mar

There's something truly magical about young Scottish pianist Ethan Loch, who has been blind since birth. What better way to hear him than in Gershwin's fabulous *Rhapsody in Blue*? Speaking of magic, enjoy the wizardry of *The Sorcerer's Apprentice* and Ravel's ravishing mini-opera *L'enfant et les sortilèges*.

This performance is kindly supported by the **CMS Charitable Trust**, **Iain and Pamela Sinclair Legacy**, **John Mather Charitable Trust** and **Scops Arts Trust**.

Sir Stephen Hough Plays Rachmaninov

ABN Thu 23 Apr **EDN** Fri 24 Apr

GLW Sat 25 Apr

Sir Stephen Hough: a pianist whose effortless brilliance at the keyboard has been described as little short of genius. Hear him take on Rachmaninov's showstopping Piano Concerto No1 in a concert that concludes with Vaughan Williams' glorious technicolour Symphony No2 *A London Symphony*.



For the thrill-seeker

Felix Klieser Plays Strauss

EDN Fri 20 Feb

GLW Sat 21 Feb

Phenomenal horn player Felix Klieser takes the spotlight in Richard Strauss' swashbuckling Horn Concerto No1. This is before the RSNO embarks on one of the greatest adventures in 19th-century music; Bruckner's colossal Eighth Symphony.

In memory of **Sir Alexander & Lady Veronica Gibson**.

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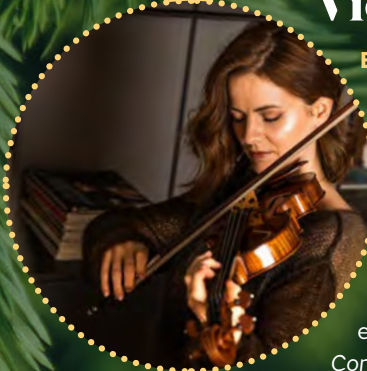
Beethoven's Violin Concerto

EDN Fri 27 Feb

GLW Sat 28 Feb

Musician extraordinaire, Jörg Widmann's talents know no bounds. Experience his dynamism as he conducts Mendelssohn's dramatic Symphony No5, his own explosive composition, *Con brio*, and joins the

'extraordinary' (Gramophone) violinist Veronika Eberle in Beethoven's radiant Violin Concerto.





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