

# HOME ALONE

## IN CONCERT



**FRIDAY 12 DEC 2025: 7.00PM**  
**USHER HALL, EDINBURGH**

**SATURDAY 13 DEC 2025: 2.30PM AND 7.00PM**  
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A true Christmas favourite, *Home Alone* features renowned composer John Williams' charming and delightful score performed live to picture by the Royal Scottish National Orchestra. Macaulay Culkin stars as Kevin McCallister, an eight-year-old boy who's accidentally left behind when his family leaves for Christmas vacation, and who must defend his home against two bungling thieves. Nominated for two Academy Awards® for Best Original Score and Best Original Song (*Somewhere in My Memory*), *Home Alone* is hilarious, heart-warming festive fun for the entire family!



## Royal Scottish National Orchestra

Formed in 1891, the Royal Scottish National Orchestra (RSNO) plays an integral part in Scotland's musical life, with regular concerts in Glasgow, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Perth and Inverness. The Orchestra's artistic team is led by Danish conductor Thomas Søndergård, who was appointed Music Director in 2018.

The RSNO is supported by the Scottish Government and is one of Scotland's five National Performing Companies. The Orchestra appears regularly at the

Edinburgh International Festival and the BBC Proms, and has made recent tours to the USA, China and Europe.

The RSNO believes music can enrich lives, and aims to inspire, educate and entertain people throughout Scotland and beyond with its performances, recordings and engagement programmes. Supporting schools, families, young professionals and wider communities, the RSNO delivers high-quality initiatives for all ages and abilities.



# Royal Scottish National Orchestra

## FIRST VIOLIN

Maya Iwabuchi  
LEADER  
Lena Zeliszewska  
ASSOCIATE LEADER  
Tamás Fejes  
ASSISTANT LEADER  
Patrick Curlett  
Caroline Parry  
Ursula Heidecker Allen  
Elizabeth Bamping  
Lorna Rough  
Susannah Lowdon  
Alan Manson  
Liam Lynch  
Veronica Marziano  
Stewart Webster  
Gillian Risi

## SECOND VIOLIN

Jacqueline Speirs  
ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL  
Marion Wilson  
Nigel Mason  
Emily Nenniger  
Paul Medd  
Anne Bünemann  
Sophie Lang  
Robin Wilson  
Kirstin Drew  
Colin McKee  
Helena Rose  
Fiona Stephen  
Joana Rodriguez

## VIOLA

Tom Dunn  
PRINCIPAL  
Felix Tanner  
Asher Zaccardelli  
Susan Buchan  
Lisa Rourke  
Claire Dunn  
Nicola McWhirter  
Maria Trittinger  
Beth Woodford  
Elaine Koene

## CELLO

Pei-Jee Ng  
PRINCIPAL  
Kennedy Leitch  
Yuuki Bouterey-Ishido  
Rachael Lee  
Sarah Digger  
Robert Anderson  
Gunda Baranauskaitė  
Erdem Akca

## DOUBLE BASS

Nikita Naumov  
PRINCIPAL  
Michael Rae  
Moray Jones  
Alexandre Cruz dos Santos  
Olaya Garcia Alvarez  
Chris Sergeant

## FLUTE

Katherine Bryan  
PRINCIPAL  
Oliver Roberts  
Adam Richardson  
GUEST PRINCIPAL PICCOLO

## OBOE

Adrian Wilson  
PRINCIPAL  
Peter Dykes  
Henry Clay  
PRINCIPAL COR ANGLAIS

## CLARINET

Timothy Orpen  
PRINCIPAL  
William Knight  
Duncan Swindells  
PRINCIPAL BASS CLARINET

## BASSOON

David Hubbard  
PRINCIPAL  
Jamie Louise White  
Paolo Dutto  
PRINCIPAL CONTRABASSOON

## HORN

Amadea Dazeley-Gaist  
PRINCIPAL  
Alison Murray  
Andrew McLean  
David McClenaghan  
Martin Murphy

## TRUMPET

Christopher Hart  
PRINCIPAL  
Juliette Murphy  
Jason Lewis

## TROMBONE

Dávur Juul Magnussen  
PRINCIPAL  
Cillian Ó Ceallacháin  
Alastair Sinclair  
PRINCIPAL BASS TROMBONE

## TUBA

John Whitener  
PRINCIPAL

## TIMPANI

Dominick Hackett  
GUEST PRINCIPAL

## PERCUSSION

Simon Lowdon  
PRINCIPAL  
Phil Hague  
Pete Murch  
Robbie Bremner

## HARP

Pippa Tunnell

## PIANO

Lynda Cochrane

## KEYBOARD/SYNTHESISER

Michael Barnett

# RSNO Chorus

## SOPRANO

Amelie Masters  
Catherine Taylor  
Carol McLean  
Caroline Cradock  
Charlotte McKechnie  
Elspeth Waugh  
Jennifer Stoddart  
Judith Pexton  
Laura Gorman  
Mairi Therese Cleary  
Margaret Mills  
Mhairi Hendry  
Morag Kean  
Morven MacDonald  
Roberta Yule  
Sally Sandground  
Sarah Greer  
Seonaid Eadie

## ALTO

Alison Bryce  
Anne Murphy  
Brenda Williamson  
Catriona Eadie  
Denny Henderson  
Esther McMillan  
Gillian Downie  
Jane Stansfield  
Julia King  
Louise Reid  
Marita McMillan  
Marrian Murray  
Olivia Howe Gillespie  
Ruth Townsend  
Sophy Ying

## TENOR

Andrew Clifford  
Calum Lowe  
Cosma Gottardi  
David Miller  
George Lloyd  
Kerr Noble  
Laurie Nelson  
Nathan Dunsmore  
Robert Paterson  
Sandy Eadie  
Stuart Tait

## BASS

Alan Maxwell  
Alistair Laird  
Andrew Lyons  
Graeme Simpson  
Ian Mills

Melvyn Davies  
Robin Watson  
Stephen Lipton  
Stephen Penman  
Stewart Macfarlane  
Toby Reed

## RSNO CHORUS DIRECTOR

Stephen Doughty

## RSNO CHORUS PIANIST

Edward Cohen

## RSNO CHORUS VOCAL COACH

Polly Beck

## Stephen Doughty DIRECTOR, RSNO CHORUS

Stephen Doughty was appointed Director of the RSNO Chorus from the start of the 2022:23 Season. Since his arrival the Chorus has seen an influx of new members, and an abundance of varied and critically acclaimed performances, including Verdi's *Requiem*, Britten's *War Requiem*, Bruckner's *E Minor Mass* and the Scottish premiere of Sir James MacMillan's *Christmas Oratorio*. He directed the Chorus on their concert tour to Budapest last month.

Prior to this appointment, Stephen's 12-year tenure as Chorus Master of Belfast Philharmonic Choir included a number of world premieres, most significantly James Whitbourn's

*The Seven Heavens* and Philip Hammond's *Requiem for the Lost Souls of the Titanic*. Stephen particularly enjoys working with amateur singers; he was Musical Director of Edinburgh Bach Choir and has been Musical Director of the Garleton Singers since 1994.

Away from the podium Stephen is in demand as an arranger and orchestrator, with commissions from the BBC, RSNO, Ulster Orchestra and others. He has also produced arrangements of Christopher Norton's popular piano music for wind sextet, and piano duet, with a new set of arrangements for piano six hands recently published.



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## Ben Palmer CONDUCTOR

Ben Palmer is Artistic Director of Covent Garden Sinfonia and Chief Conductor of the Orchestra da Camera di Pordenone and Babylon Orchester Berlin. From 2017 to 2024 he was Chief Conductor of the Deutsche Philharmonie Merck, ending his tenure with three performances of Mahler's Symphony No8.

Ben is a regular visitor to the Aalborg Symphony Orchestra, Arctic Philharmonic, City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra, Hallé, London Symphony Orchestra, Montreal Symphony Orchestra, Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra, Royal Northern Sinfonia, RSNO and the five BBC orchestras. In 2022 he made his debut at the BBC Proms with the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra. In December 2024 he conducted the BBC SSO in Seoul as part of BBC Proms Korea.

Recent and upcoming debuts include the Copenhagen Philharmonic, London Philharmonic Orchestra (in the presence of composer Howard Shore), Munich Symphony Orchestra, Oakland Symphony,

Odense Symphony Orchestra, Orchestre National d'Île-de-France and San Francisco Symphony. As a guest conductor he has worked with the Antwerp Symphony Orchestra, BBC Singers, City of Prague Philharmonic, Hof Symphony Orchestra (Bavaria), Hong Kong Philharmonic, Philharmonia, National Symphony Orchestra (Dublin), NDR Radiophilharmonie (Hanover), Rotterdam Philharmonic and Zurich Chamber Orchestra.

Personally authorised by John Williams to conduct his film scores in concert, and acclaimed by Hans Zimmer as 'a masterclass in conducting', Ben is one of the world's most sought-after specialists in conducting to film, both live to picture (with a repertoire of more than 50 films) and in the recording studio. A trumpeter and composer by training, he studied at the University of Birmingham and the Royal Academy of Music, which elected him an Associate in 2017. He continues to be in great demand as a composer, arranger and orchestrator.

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