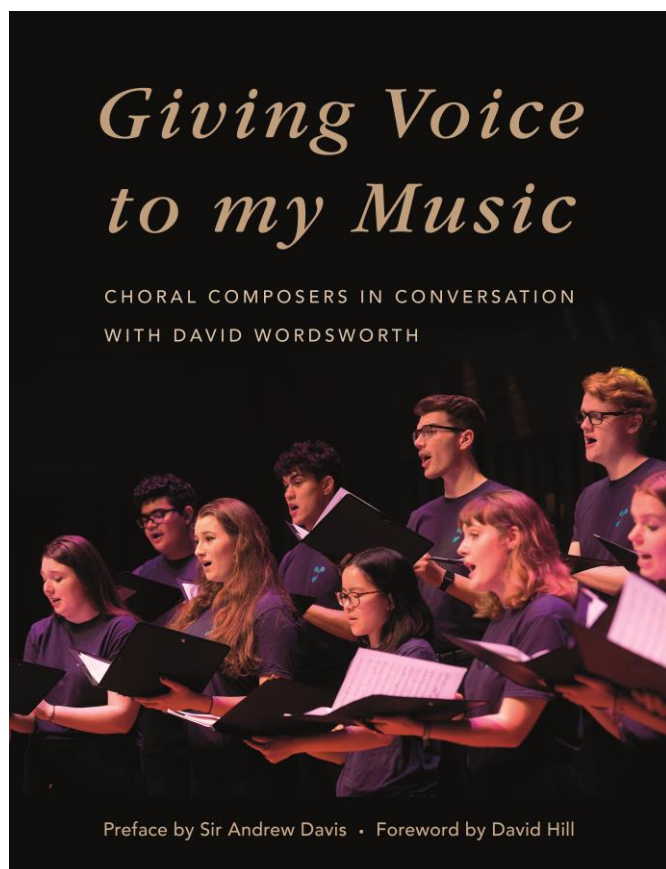


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Choral Composers in Conversation

with David Wordsworth

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In *Giving Voice to My Music*, David Wordsworth's engrossing interviews take us into the world of twenty-four leading composers of choral music, composers for whom writing for choirs is central to their very existence.

Here, they give voice to their inspirations, their passions and the challenges they have faced in working through the pandemic of 2020/21. They reveal how their life experiences have influenced their compositions, how they choose and relate to the texts they set, and how they interact with commissioners, singers and conductors alike. Enhanced by an extensive reference section and a revelatory list of the composers' own favourite pieces, readers will discover music that has enriched these composers' lives and encouraged their creativity. *Giving Voice to my Music* will be relished by singers, composers, conductors and above all audiences, for the new insights it offers into works that are already well-known but also for its introductions to new choral music that deserves to be better known.

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“Such an interesting book revealing the thoughts of each composer. It was a privilege to be asked to write the foreword.”

David Hill – Musical Director, The Bach Choir

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David Wordsworth has worked as a teacher, pianist, publisher, writer on music and a promoter of choral and contemporary music and of composers. He has been Musical Director of the London-based Addison Singers for over twenty years and has conducted a wide range of choral groups in many parts of the world.

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