



Hailsham

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RAFA Band Concert to Get You in the Festive Mood

22 November 2017

The Deputy Mayor of Hailsham will be among those to attend the Hailsham branch of the Royal Air Force Association's Christmas Concert on Sunday 3rd December.

The concert, which takes place at the Hailsham Civic Community Hall in Vicarage Lane from 3pm, will feature a string of classic Christmas tunes performed by Wealden Brass including *Winter Wonderland* and *Marching Through Christmas*, in addition to tunes from musicals and 'Keep Smiling Through' - a special tribute to Dame Vera Lynn, who celebrated her 100th birthday earlier this year.

The Hailsham Community College Orchestra are scheduled to play during the interval and will perform *Waltz of the Flowers* by Tchaikovsky and *Finlandia* by Sibelius.

All funds raised from the concert will go towards the RAFA Wings Appeal, a fundraising project set up to provide welfare support for veterans from those involved in World War II through to today's serving RAF personnel and their families.

"The Royal Air Force Association has offered a programme that is filled with all the old festive favourites as well as more contemporary pieces of music," said Deputy Town Mayor Councillor Amanda O'Rawe, who is delighted to be attending the concert.

"The Wings Appeal serves to help people remember those who gave their lives selflessly to protect Britain and preserve the way of life we enjoy. I hope that our veterans and residents will take the time to go along to the concert, which will help raise vital funds for such a good cause."

The concert starts at 3pm. Tickets are priced at £7 each for adults or £4 for children under 16. Family tickets are available for £18 (two adults and one child - additional children free).

With limited seats available, early bookings are strongly recommended. Tickets will be available in the Quintins Centre from Monday 27th November - also on sale at Chapter 12 Wine Bar (Hailsham High Street) or by calling 01323 841364.

For more information about the RAFA Wings Appeal, visit www.rafa.org.uk/wingsappeal.asp

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