



The Company of Angels has made a significant difference to their careers: help us do more.

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Please Join Us



INVITATION TO JOIN THE COMPANY OF ANGELS

We invite you to support us in finding truly outstanding young artists and making a significant difference to their operatic careers.

Since 2002 Les Azuriales Opera has had an excellent track record at identifying and encouraging talented young singers through our Masterclass and Competition programme. In 2011 we decided to cease running a festival and we are now focused on supporting young artists working in opera.

Our activities include

- Conducting our rigorous selection auditions;
- Organising our masterclasses and singing competition in the South of France during August;
- Continuing our annual London showcase concert;
- Arranging another week long programme for young artists;
- Providing young artists with performance opportunities;
- Awarding scholarships to help young artists with specific projects which will make a significant difference to their careers;
- Encouraging in the creation of new work for the voice.

Jung Soo Yun, the winner of the 2010 Ozone Les Azuriales Prize and who played the title role in our 2011 production of *Werther*, also won the very prestigious Montserrat Caballe Prize (2011). He says of Les Azuriales Opera: *"It was a joy to be with other singers in Cap Ferrat, one of the most beautiful places in the world. Much of my success is thanks to Les Azuriales Opera, giving me support, connections and opportunities"*. Jung Soo epitomizes what we want to achieve. He has the potential to be a great singer.

To continue have this impact, we need to raise as much as £50,000 each year. To achieve this, we have created ***The Company of Angels***, an exclusive support group with four levels through which we:

- Involve you as closely as possible with our young artists and give you the enjoyment of participating in our new adventure - this is a key feature of the Company which we believe will give you confidence in what we do and how your money is spent;
- Ensure that as much as possible of your donation goes to help young artists;

The details of the Company of Angels are on the next page and we invite you to choose a level of support. The higher the level of support the more involved you will become. If you have any ideas to enhance the programme or the Company of Angels, we would love to hear from you.

If you are interested in being an Archangel (the highest level), please talk to us about what you would like your donation to achieve. We have a number of donors who have done this and they have seen how their donations can make a significant difference to a young singer's career.

To join all you have to do is complete the application form. Please read carefully the notes to the description of the levels.

We hope that you will support us in this endeavour. Please help us help a singer - they will be eternally grateful - and with your support he or she might become a star.

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COMPANY OF ANGELS - LEVELS

| | Angel | Cherub | Seraph | Archangel |
|--|--|--|---|--|
| Use of donation | Aggregated to support a specific event or item | Aggregated to support a specific event or item | Fund an <i>Azuriales Opera Bursary</i> for an artist on one of our programmes | Fund named scholarship(s) e.g. <i>The John & Susan Azuriales Opera Scholarship</i> Note 2 |
| Attendance at our public young artist events | Paid | Free | Free | Free |
| Possibility of inviting a young artist to give a recital | x | x | ✓ Note 3 | ✓ Note 3 |
| Invitation to meet the artists to whom bursaries are awarded | x | | Collectively Note 4 | Individually Note 5 |
| Donation – Note 6 | £300 p.a. | £600 p.a. | £1,250 p.a. | Minimum £2,500 p.a. Note 7 |

Notes

1. All donors will be listed in all our programmes.
2. We will endeavour to work with Archangels on the purpose and the award of your scholarship
3. This is subject to payment of appropriate fees and expenses.
4. Seraphs will be invited to an event at which we will ask as many recipients of the bursaries to be present.
5. Archangels will, where possible, be invited to meet the recipient(s) of their scholarships privately.
6. We ask all new donors to commit to giving for two years. This will help us plan.
7. We hope that Archangels will consider giving more than the minimum. We have a number of people who generously do this.

COMPANY OF ANGELS

Name:

Home Address:

Mobile:

E-mail (*please note that we usually communicate by email*):

We would like to be listed as

ANGEL LEVEL

We / I would like to be (please tick the appropriate level):

- | | |
|--|----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ANGEL | £300 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CHERUB | £600 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SERAPH | £1,250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHANGEL | Minimum £2,500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ADDITIONAL DONATION | £..... |

PAYMENT

- ☐ I enclose a **STERLING CHEQUE** payable to **LES AZURIALES OPERA TRUST**; or
- ☐ I have made a (Sterling) **BACS PAYMENT** to Coutts & Co - Sort Code: 18-00-02 - Account No: 03445585 on **DATE**:
- ☐ I wish to pay in **EUROS** or **US DOLLARS**, please contact me.

Please tick the following as appropriate:

- ☐ **GIFT AID DECLARATION** (See box below) I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference. *Note you must (1) tick this box (2) complete your full address details above (as these are needed to identify you as a current UK taxpayer), and (3) sign and date this form below.*
- ☐ We are happy to join the Company of Angels for two years (please tick). *Note the above are annual donations.*
- ☐ We do **not** wish to receive information that we may occasionally send you about other opera events or charities, which we feel it is appropriate to support especially if they are connected with a Young Artist supported by us. Note that all information collected by Azuriales Opera is processed in compliance with the UK's Data Protection Act 1998, under which the Association and the Trust are registered.

Signed:.....

Dated:.....

GIFT AID - UK TAXPAYERS ONLY

Les Azuriales Opera Trust is a UK Registered Charity (No.1077210). Please boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate. Gift Aid is reclaimed by us from the tax you pay for the current tax year.

Please notify us, if you (1) want to cancel this declaration (2) change your name or home address (3) no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains.

If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.

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