



STRAWBERRY HILL
Horace Walpole's Gothic Castle

The Carillon of Cythera
Enchanted Gardens in 17th and 18th Century
Harpsichord Music

Music by William Byrd, François Couperin,
George Frideric Handel and others



Yeo Yat-Soon: Harpsichord

7.30pm on Thursday 14th July 2016

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Tickets £16.00 (Children £10.00) available from:
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Prize-winning harpsichordist and distinguished teacher Yeo Yat-Soon returns to Strawberry Hill with a fascinating and beguiling programme of music inspired by enchanted gardens.



From 1747, Horace Walpole began creating a landscape garden to be connected with his proposed picturesque house which would become known as Strawberry Hill House. Over the next twenty five years he created a magnificent villa in the style which became known as 18th century Gothic. Walpole's garden is now being restored to its original appearance and his grove of lime trees is being replanted. To celebrate this Yeo Yat-Soon has devised a programme of music which reflects the many aspects of enchanted gardens which inspired composers from the 17th and 18th century ranging from the late Elizabethan gardens from the time of William Byrd to the recreations of mythological gardens in the Versailles of Louis XIV and the musical stage of Handel's London.



Yeo Yat-Soon studied at King's College London and the Guildhall School of Music and Drama, where he won the prestigious Raymond Russell Prize for Harpsichord. Yat-Soon has specialised in baroque opera and has conducted major productions for London Baroque Opera, the City of London Festival and Opéra de Baugé. Yat-Soon works widely as a harpsichordist, performing regularly at prestigious historic venues in the UK and throughout Europe. Recent solo work has included performances at Handel House Museum for the British Harpsichord Society and the Friedenau Kammersaal for the Early Music Society of Berlin. He is a member of Follia, The Lovekyn Consort and the Berlin-based Camerata Berolinensis and has broadcast for BBC Radio 3 and Classic FM. Yat-Soon also has a long association with education, having been Director of Music at The Lady Eleanor Holles School and St Paul's Girls' School, during which time he conducted orchestras of national repute which toured China and the USA and broadcast for BBC and Channel 4 television.

For further details please visit:

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