

WESTON MUSIC SOCIETY



Notus Winds

Wind quintet from the Royal Academy of Music

*The RAM 'Patrons' Award' 2013 prize-winners
play Danzi, Poulenc, Ligeti, Piazzolla and more*

**Saturday 21st March 2015 at 7.30 pm
in Weston Parish Church SG4 7DJ**

Tickets (£12.00, under 19s free!)
from Weston Stores, David's Music,
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Notus Winds comprises five London-based musicians each holding full scholarships to the Royal Academy of Music. Twice finalists of the Royal Overseas League Chamber Music Competition in 2013 and 2014, they were the winners of the Elias Fawcett Award for Outstanding Chamber Music as a result of their performance throughout the competition. They also won the Nicholas Blake Ensemble prize at the Royal Academy, and were successful in competing to go to São Paulo, Brazil, for the Festival de Inverno in July. Last year, they were the winners of the Royal Academy's most prestigious competition, the Patrons' Award, and consequently gave an evening recital at the Wigmore Hall in May 2014. Most recently, they performed Sir Harrison Birtwistle's *Five Distances* for the composer's 80th birthday celebration BBC Prom Portrait concert, broadcast on BBC Radio 3.

Whilst the group was formed in 2011, members have been playing with each other in various ensembles for several years. Before joining the Royal Academy, four members of Notus attended specialist music establishments, including Chethams School of Music, the Purcell School and the Junior Departments of the Royal Academy and the Royal College of Music. Three were appointed section principals in the National Youth Orchestra of Great Britain, whilst a fourth led the bassoons in the National Youth Orchestra of Wales.

Members of the quintet have trained on the prestigious LSO Academies and with the Britten-Pears Orchestra, and have worked professionally with orchestras and ensembles including the Gabrieli Consort, the BBC National Orchestra of Wales, the BBC Symphony Orchestra, the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra, the Philharmonia, the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, Welsh National Opera, London Winds and the London Sinfonietta.

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