



JOIN US FOR THE BIG SING

An Olympiad Celebration – Sunday 24 June, 1pm to 5pm

Kingston Town Centre & Market Place

To celebrate the Olympics in Kingston choirs are invited to join the Big Sing, a huge outdoor participatory music event led by the renowned international gospel singer, conductor and composer, Ken Burton (X Factor, Choir of the Year, Songs of Praise), on Sunday 24 June 2012.

We are looking for choirs and participants of all ages to get involved and get Kingston singing with us! All you need is lots of enthusiasm and the willingness to learn a few new pieces in your choir. We'll be covering, rock, pop, classical and many different genres, so there should be something to suit all tastes and ages. You can also choose your own pieces to perform to showcase the fantastic range of music-making taking place in the borough.

Choirs will be invited to perform a medley of their own pieces from 1pm to 2pm in five different locations in the town centre. This will be followed by a fun and interactive workshop with Ken Burton from 2pm at All Saints Church, followed by an informal programme of music performed by all the choirs in the Market Place from 3.30pm, accompanied by live musicians.

There is also the opportunity to win £500 for anyone who would like to compose an **'Anthem for Kingston'** which will be premiered at The Big Sing and at other high profile events in Kingston's Cultural Olympiad programme. The competition will be administered by Dr David Osbon, Head of Collegiate Music, Kingston University, **please see attached details for more information.**

If you would like to get involved in the Big Sing please contact Kathryn Woodvine, RBK Arts Manager or Sarah Lee, Kingston Music Service.

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The Big Sing is organised in collaboration with the borough's Arts Office, Kingston Music Service, Collegiate Music, Kingston University and Tiffin Boys' School.

The Big Sing

An Anthem For Kingston

Calling all composers!!

To celebrate the London 2012 Cultural Olympiad we are inviting composers of all styles and genres to enter a competition to write an “Anthem For Kingston”.

In addition to a £500 prize the winning work will be performed at Olympic events across the Borough including a massive public premiere on June 24th 2012.

The winning piece will be for choir (with optional piano/keyboard accompaniment) and must be accessible for singers of all ages and all levels. Maximum duration 4 minutes.

Deadline: 5pm Friday 30th March 2012

Submissions to be sent to:

Dr. David Osbon, Head of Collegiate Music,

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