

ELIZABETH THE VIRGIN QUEEN

Elizabeth I, one of the most famous and admired of English monarchs, died in 1603 after a life filled with trauma and success, trials and victories. This programme (introduced and narrated by Andrew Carwood) traces her remarkable life. The first half concerns the early years until her coronation in 1558. Here are the imposing characters of her father and mother, Henry VIII and Anne Boleyn, her brother and sister, Edward VI and Mary and her great ally Cardinal Pole, together with the story of the Reformation. Whilst in the second half is music concerned with her reign, celebrating the defeat of the Spanish Armada and the long list of Elizabeth's suitors.

PROGRAMME

Kyrie orbis factor
Pastime with good company
Christe Jesu, pastor bone
I give you a new commandment

If ye love me

Te spectant, Reginalde, poli

Ave Maria Sing joyfully

Loquebantur variis linquis

Deliver me from mine enemies Congregati sunt inimici nostri

Haec dies Allegra, Anglia Thus Bonny-Boots Turn about and see me

This sweet and merry month of May

O Lord consider my distress
I am the resurrection and the life
Hark, hear you not (Oriannaes Farewell)

O clap your hands together

Christopher Tye (c1505-c.1572)

Henry VIII (1491-1547)
John Taverner (c.1490-1545)
John Sheppard (c.1500-1559)
Thomas Tallis (c.1505-1585)
Orlandus Lassus (1532-1594)
Robert Parsons (c.1530-1572)
William Byrd (1539/40?-1623)

Thomas Tallis

Robert Parsons (d.1570)

Don Fernando de las Infantas (1534-c.1610)

William Byrd

Anon

John Holmes (c.1580-c.1610) John Mundy (c.1555-1630)

William Byrd

John Dowland (c.1563-1626) Thomas Morley (1557/8-1602) Thomas Bateson (c.1570-1630) Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

No of performers 9 – SSAATTBB 8 + Andrew Carwood

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