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> A day-long workshop for conductors of all types of choirs and observers, led by Patrick Russill (Royal Academy of Music, London Oratory) and David Stevens (Newcastle Cathedral).

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#### Info

Do you want to improve your conducting technique? Explore new repertoire for your choir? Conduct a cathedral choir? This workshop offers the opportunity for all of these things: all participants will receive one-on-one tuition in front of a class, and be able to try out their skills on the cathedral choir at the end of the day. After Registration, there will be two groups, 'beginner & intermediate' for those with some or no experience of choral conducting, and 'advanced' for those with regular conducting experience. Each class will explore different repertoire:

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## **Biographies**

Patrick Russill enjoys a distinguished place in English church music as a performer, pedagogue and



scholar of diverse interests. He is an Honorary Member of the Royal Academy of Music and an Honorary Fellow of both the Guild of Church Musicians and the Royal College of Organists – the highest accolade of each institution.

In 1987, Patrick was invited by the Academy to found Britain's first conservatoire church music department. This was further developed in 1997 to provide the UK's first specialist postgraduate choral conducting course, which now attracts students from all over the world. He is in demand as a juror (including the Llangollen International Eisteddfod in 2008) and for choral conducting masterclasses (including the Associations of both the Cathedral Organists in 2006 and Assistant Cathedral Organists in 2005 and the Music Masters' and Mistress's Association in 2007).

He combines his role as Head of Choral Conducting at the Academy, where he is also a professor of organ, with the post of Director of Music of the London Oratory. In addition, he is Chief Examiner of the Royal College of Organists and Visiting Professor of Choral Direction at the Leipzig Hochschule fur Musik und Theater.

David Stevens, a prize-winning graduate of Patrick Russill's MA in Choral Conducting course at the Royal Academy of Music, is the Director of the Girls Choir & Sub-Organist at Newcastle Cathedral and Director of Campus Music at Northumbria



University. He teaches choral conducting to organ scholars at Oxford and Durham universities, and leads conducting workshops for local associations of the Incorporated Association of Organists.

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