

NEIL JENKINS

NEIL JENKINS has been a professional singer for over forty years. He made his debut in 1967, and sang with the Deller Consort for ten years, whilst establishing himself as an opera singer. He was appointed as professor at the RCM by Sir David Willcocks, for whom he became a regular soloist with the Bach Choir. He is equally at home as an Operatic, Oratorio and Recital singer; and combines this with work as a musicologist. Neil has edited all of Bach's choral works for *Novello*, & Haydn's oratorios for *King's Music*. He has produced song albums for OUP & Kevin Mayhew Ltd.

Neil has sung with all of Britain's opera companies, especially Kent Opera, Scottish Opera, WNO & Glyndebourne. His performances in *King Priam*, *Lulu* and *Higglety Pigglety Pop* are available on video. He joined WNO again in 2008 for Verdi's *Falstaff*, starring Bryn Terfel, which was recorded and televised. In 2004 Neil was honoured by the *Worshipful Company of Musicians* for his achievements in his career. Neil celebrated the 40th anniversary of his debut in 2007 in concert with his choir, the *Sussex Chorus* and the *NJ Chorale*, which is composed of family members, pupils and friends.

Neil teaches at several international summer schools, including AIMS which he runs with his wife Penny, gives regular Masterclasses at venues such as *Jackdaws* in Somerset, and sits on international singing juries. He is an extremely busy Adjudicator in the Federation these days.

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