

'Holding Homes, Shifting Seasons'
Choral Contemplations Term Card
Somerville Chapel
Trinity Term, 2024



Introduction: What does home mean to us? How do we create a sense of home, of belonging, amidst the shifting seasons of life, amidst displacement and social turmoil? *Who* is home for us? What do we cling to when conventional structures of home fail? We will gently hold these questions and more in our series of Choral Contemplations this term, with speakers: Dr. Rosie Canning, Fahad Zuberi, Conroy Harris and Trina Banerjee offering their own thoughts and experiences on the topic. As always, poetry and writings in different languages will feature heavily, and will be accompanied by generative choral music that speak to the idea of home, and of turning seasons. All are welcome.



'Holding Homes': Dr. Amy Doffegnies
Artwork by: Dr. Arzhia Habibi



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1st Week, Sunday 21st April

Introduction: ‘Holding Homes, Shifting Seasons’

By Trina Banerjee and Dr. Arzhia Habibi

Choral works by Bhatia, Wood and Bay

2nd Week, Sunday 28th April

‘The Warmth of Other Suns’

Joint Contemplation with Bedales School

Choral works by Bhatia, Robertson, Tavener, Rutter and Britten

3rd Week, Sunday 5th May

‘Seasons, Homes and Hiraeth in Muswell Hill’

By Dr. Rosie Canning

Researcher in and with the Care-Experienced Community

Choral works by Bhatia, Elgar and Carissimi

4th Week, Sunday 12th May

‘Falling Leaves, Paper Houses’

*Choral works by Bhatia, Franck, Alexander and Vaughan
Williams*

5th Week, Sunday 19th May

‘My Roof and the Monsoon’

By Fahad Zuberi

Researcher, Writer, Composer and Indira Ghandi Scholar at Somerville College

Choral works by Bhatia, Greene and Daves

6th Week, Sunday 26th May

‘Rites of Passage and Seasons of Life’

By Conroy Harris

CEO of a Band of Brothers

Choral works by Bhatia, Wood and Hella-Johnson

7th Week, Sunday 2nd June

Pride Contemplation

Choral works by Churcher, Thorogood, Arlen and Twist

8th Week, Sunday 9th June

Leavers Contemplation

Choral works by Daley, Da Rore, Erb and Balfour-Gardiner