

ARCHers update - 3 June 2021

Dear ARCHers

Thank you to those of you who came to our event last Sunday. It was great to be with you all to discuss some of the issues that came out of watching our video (concept and creation by Molará Awen) - NVN Discussing Race and Equality. [You can watch this here](#) if you haven't had a chance yet.

Here is the video of last Sunday's event for those of you who weren't there:
<https://youtu.be/wf4Vd0eH-c4>

NEXT EVENTS:



The ARCHers Sharing Circles

Anti-racism sharing circles, facilitated by Fran - limited numbers 12 people per session

Sessions are **FREE**, but on a first come first served basis.

It is essential to book via eventbrite here:

<https://archers-sharing-circles.eventbrite.com>

If you end up not being able to make your session, please let me know and cancel your ticket, so the space can be offered to someone else.

Sessions are planned to be 1.5hrs, however due to the organic nature of circle spaces, the sessions may run up to 15 minutes later.

Mon 14th June, 2 - 3.30pm

Weds 16th June, 7.30 - 9pm

Sun 20th June, 11 - 12.30pm

These circles will be spaces to drop deep together into both our longings and challenges in doing anti-racism and cultural honouring work as community. We will spend time in breakout rooms, in paired / small group sharing enquiries and time sharing and listening together in the main zoom space.

These circles will be spaces to hear YOUR voices. To simply speak, hear others and be received just as you are on this topic of race, and where you are with it in your choirs and in your life.

If your voice around race is gentle, tentative, and even hesitant, know you are welcome.

If your voice around race is growing, coming out of hiding, and even blossoming, know you are welcome.

If your voice is strong, clear and confident talking about race, know you are welcome.

These sessions will be a place to continue to cultivate trust between us in this community, so sessions will not be recorded and confidentiality will be agreed at the start of each session.

Online Harmony Singing Workshop with Lea Morris 'Be the Light'

Sunday 27th June, 7.30 - 9pm

Book tickets here: <https://buytickets.at/franandr/531603>

£12.50 / £10.50 - admission for the online event (limited number of concessions)

£32 / £27 - choir leader package, recording of songs taught to keep, and permission to teach songs (limited number of concessions)

Here is an opportunity to learn from an absolutely inspired artist, and choir composer, and properly honour her for her compositions!

Lea will teach 5-6 songs during the event, plus sharing her wisdom about the songs and how to best get inside them to bring them wholeheartedly to your singers. So, it's really like paying for a songbook for £19.50, which is really excellent value, plus an opportunity to properly recompense a black composer for her work.

Watch these three videos to see a few of the awesome songs Lea will be bringing to us. She will also be bringing us several others which she will decide on during the session, depending on what she feels we are wanting.

Be the Light: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TQCrE2As1Xw>

Make Good Trouble: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9nGomUt8gLQ>

Honour the Dark: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oEztYa9uqKY>

This workshop is open to all, so please do share this with your singers!

Best wishes, Fran & Molara