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Academy of St Olave's 2007-2008 season

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The Academy of St Olave's begins its 2007-2008 season at St Olave's Church, York, tomorrow when Bach's Concerto for Two Violins is the centerpiece of the 8pm programme.

The soloists are orchestra leader Claire Jowett and Clare Howard, who often is principal second violin, and the evening ends with Beethoven's mighty Eroica Symphony.

The season's spotlight falls on double concertos. In the winter concert on January 19, the Academy gives the first performance of Dick Blackford's Concerto for Two Horns, a work commissioned by Jonathan Hunter, who will be one of the soloists along with Janus Wadsworth.

In the summer concert on June 21, Louise Evans and Georgina Wells are the soloists for Mozart's Concerto for Flute and Harp. During the morning, in a special event for children, Ian Small will be the narrator for Ravel's sumptuous score of Babar The Elephant.

Tickets are available from Ticket World, tel 01904 644194, or the church before each concert and cost £9, concessions £8, including a free programme and interval soft drink.

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