



### **NYO Tour to Normandy 22 – 28 July 2010**

This summer the NYO will be travelling on tour to Normandy. This was actually the location of the orchestra's very first tour abroad in 1989, and we think it's particularly appropriate that we should go back in what will be our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary season. We will be based in a the Chateau du Baffy, a lovely 19<sup>th</sup> century chateau in the village of Coulombiers-sur-Seulles between Caen and Bayeux which is just 6km from the nearest beach. Accommodation will be in rooms of 2, 3 or 4, each with private bathroom. The D-Day landing sites, centred on Arromanches, are also close by, and we may manage a visit to Mont St Michel, perhaps taking in the beach at Deauville or Trouville on the way.

You can find out more about the Chateau at [www.chateaudubaffy.com](http://www.chateaudubaffy.com).

During our week in Normandy, we will give three concerts. Possible venues currently include Rouen Cathedral, the Abbaye aux Dames in Caen, and a church in Bayeux. Accommodation will be in rooms of 2, 3 or 4, each with private bathroom. As soon as concert times and places are confirmed we will let you know. As we are within reasonably easy travelling distance of the UK this time, we hope that some parents may manage to join us for a concert or two.

We will leave Nottingham (very!) early on Thursday 22nd July 2009, returning late on Wednesday 28th July. The post-tour concert will be on Friday 30th July at 7.30pm with an afternoon rehearsal.

The full cost per person is likely to be around £575 — the final figure will depend on how many players sign up to go. This will include 6 nights half-board at the Chateau, all travel to and from Normandy, insurance (excluding musical instruments), costs related to the concerts, as well as entrance to the Bayeux Tapestry and the D-Day museums in Arromanches.

We will endeavour to help any members who are prevented from going on purely financial grounds. Everyone who has been awarded a bursary for subscriptions will be eligible for a tour bursary, but others are also welcome to apply. If you would like to apply for a tour bursary, please contact me on 01636 815193 or our treasurer David Walker on 01332 8424655 as soon as possible. We will be very happy to help any individual fund-raising efforts, including busking, and can help put you in touch with other organisations such as rotary clubs, Lions clubs or local trust funds who might help with your costs.

A booking form for the tour is attached. Could you please return this, along with a non-returnable deposit of £100, to Paula Watt, Northfield House, 21 Station Road, Southwell, Notts NG25 0ET **by 26<sup>th</sup> November 2009**.

### **Important information**

If anyone knows that they will definitely **not** be going on tour, please let me or Paula Watt know as soon as possible — it's important for us to know early on who is not coming so that we can plan to fill gaps.

Best wishes,  
Margaret

**NYO TOUR TO NORMANDY 22nd– 28th JULY 2010 BOOKING FORM**

NAME .....Instrument.....

Contact Address.....

Contact Tel. No(s).....

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Will be able to join the NYO Tour to Normandy and we enclose a cheque for **£100** deposit made payable to 'Nottingham Youth Orchestra'

Player's age on tour will be.....

Parents' e-mail address is..... Tel no .....

Player's e-mail address is..... Mobile .....

Any requests or problems (e.g. diet or health)

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SIGNED.....Parent/Guardian

SIGNED.....Member over 18

Dated.....

Please return form and cheque to:-  
Paula Watt  
Northfield House, 21 Station Road, Southwell, Notts  
NG25 0ET

Any queries please ring Margaret on 01636 815193 or 07813 752725  
Alternatively e-mail [youthadmin@nottinghamyouthorchestra.org](mailto:youthadmin@nottinghamyouthorchestra.org)