The Lachrimae Consort

presents

The English Orpheus

The extraordinary life and music of John Dowland, the greatest lute player and songwriter of the Elizabethan age

Friday 27th May at 7.30pm in Dorridge Village Hall, Solihull, B93 8QA Saturday 28th May at 7.30pm at The 1620s House, Coalville, LE67 2FW





The lute was the iconic instrument of Elizabethan times and the greatest of all players was John Dowland – famed throughout Europe but spurned at the English court because of his religion. Queen Elizabeth called him "a man to serve any prince in the world – but an obstinate papist!" His songs are amongst the finest ever written in the English language, and his instrumental compositions range from dolorous pavanes to foot-tapping galliards.

His fascinating story is narrated by actor John Seeley. Dowland's music and songs are performed by the Lachrimae Consort with instruments of the time.

The Lachrimae Consort is finally returning to both venues where they have given many memorable performances in the past.

Ticket information from:

Dorridge - £10 (including light refreshment) - contact mashley256@aol.com 1620s House - £8 - contact doningtonleheath.org.uk

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