

COMMENTS ON HANDEL'S MESSIAH ON 24 MARCH 2018

"I thought the choir sang their socks off"

One of trumpet players in the orchestra

"I was particularly impressed with the choir who sang with real verve and polish and I thought the pp start to the Amen was extremely effective - as, indeed, was the participation "Hallelujah"

Nigel Davies

"Things that are in my memory still that unaccompanied Amen. I think, having spoken to a couple of the chorus yesterday, that that is one of the bits they were proudest of too. "

Martin le Poidevin (bass soloist)

"absolutely fabulous", "vivid and enthusiastic ", "moved to tears"

"I thoroughly enjoyed the concert on Saturday night - a really impressive performance. I tried not to join in out of fairness to those sitting around me, but I did hum along to the Hallelujah chorus and I breathed every breath with you altos throughout the rest of the evening! The unaccompanied Amens took me by surprise and you executed them very well - when the orchestra joined in you were still beautifully in pitch and that's not easy, I know. The whole choir seemed very alert, very attentive and very together. And the words were very clear. Well done. It really was very good."

Members of the audience