

OUR NEWEST VOICES



Janet Chow and Max Chiu (soprano & tenor)

Both grew up in Hong Kong but left to start a new life in Birmingham: *“it was an exciting decision, looking for a fresh start after all the significant changes in HK post 2019”* (Max)

Now settling here Janet works in accounts & Max as a programmer. Both have sung in various choirs since 2005 including Christian church groups. Keen to find a choir in this area a previous Birmingham Bach Choir member strongly recommended this choir, which they’re glad they did, and say they

“enjoy singing here.....looking forward to the coming concerts”

When not working or singing they’re often found outdoors: running, rambling and hiking, including marathon racing.

Delia Stokes (Alto)

Is a returning member. Brought up in nearby Wolverhampton she works in the safeguarding team at Worcester diocese and lives with her sport-centric family in Bromsgrove so she’s often found at their sports events.

Music was part of her childhood, learning piano & violin and playing with her school orchestra. Choral singing became part of her life at university and then at Gloucester Cathedral before joining this choir which she gave up a few years ago to study for a diploma in counselling. But she missed and has returned!

“I missed the singing, being challenged musically and all the wonderful people”

James Adams (baritone)

Originally from Lichfield James moved to Birmingham last year. He’s been singing “for as long as I can remember”: choral, light opera, oratorio and church music where his singing started in a church choir, then as a Lichfield chorister. He also plays the drums but says he’s “failed at the piano!” .

Apart from music making he enjoys climbing, walking & travelling and works as a carpenter on restoring listed churches and buildings. As a big fan of Bach’s B Minor Mass he was tempted to join the choir and says: “Everyone has been really friendly and welcoming. It’s nice to be in an environment with people who are passionate about the music.”

