Scottish Ensemble announce Concerts for a Summer's Night taking place across Scotland this June

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Scottish Ensemble have built a devoted following for their Concerts by Candlelight in the Midwinter, and they now present a series of concerts reveling in the long days and abundance of natural light around the Summer Solstice. Light-filled venues will resonate to the sounds of vibrant, uplifting music, performed with Scottish Ensemble's characteristic zest and warmth.

From the 17th to the 21st of June, Concerts for a Summer's Night will celebrate that magical juncture when daylight outlasts the night, filling the air with the promise of endless possibilities. Performances will take place in Rossie Byre in Perthshire, Strathpeffer Pavilion, Aberdeen Art Gallery, The National Museum of Scotland in Edinburgh and Glasgow's Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum.

Audiences can expect a treat as the ensemble blend classical and contemporary works for string orchestra into a joyful sonic summer cocktail. From familiar works by **Elgar** and **Mendelssohn** to the innovative sounds of **Tunde Jegede and Sigur Rós**, the programme promises to transport listeners through centuries and musical styles, focusing on themes of joy and connection.

The much-awaited second instalment of **Glasgow-based composer David Fennessy's** two-part commission will also feature. Following the warmly received debut of RAIN I during Scottish Ensemble's Concerts by Candlelight performances last December, this new piece promises to captivate and inspire.

Jonathan Morton, Artistic Director of Scottish Ensemble, said: "Following on from last year's second and warmly received Concerts for a Summer's Night, I am looking forward to the third edition! We hope these events will become - like Concerts by Candlelight in December - a regular and anticipated feature of our season.

At this time of year, natural light is almost a constant, tempting us to spend more time outside and reconnect with the natural world as well as with each other. There is a unique kind of energy around the time of the summer solstice, and I hope that hearing live music in these light-filled venues will be a vibrant and memorable experience."

Tickets range from £9 - £22.50 and are free for under 16s. Tickets are available here.