

Friday 22nd November 2024, 1.15pm

Sharon Zhou (Violin)

Sharon is a violinist and conductor, studying her undergraduate degree at the Royal College of Music with Professor Detlef Hahn and Toby Purser respectively. An avid explorer of new music, her repertoire spans from classical to contemporary works and is recognised for her individual versatility as a musician.

Since the start of her musical journey, she has given many concerts as a soloist, chamber and orchestral musician in the UK, Europe and China. When she was 14, Sharon made her concerto debut performing Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto and is regularly invited as a guest soloist by a range of orchestras. From a young age, she has participated in several international masterclasses, gaining insight from



some of the most renowned musicians at Astona International, Valdres Sommer Symphoni, Verão Classico, Internationale Sommerakademie Mozarteum Salzburg, alongside others. At the 34th Eastbourne Young Soloist Competition, she was awarded the St Cecilia's Bequest, for the best performer under 18, as well as the Colonel Howes Prize.

She received the silver award at the Internationales Musikfest in Vienna last year, where she made her debut at the Musikverein. Sharon is a recipient of the 2023 RPS Julius Isserlis Scholarship which supported her studies at the Universität für Musik und darstellende Kunst Wien as part of an exchange programme, where she studied with Professor Ernst Kovacic.