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### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM of the Dvořák Society will take place on

**Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> May 2016**

Royal Pump Rooms,  
Leamington Spa  
at 2.30pm

To be followed by refreshments and an illustrated talk.

With the exception of Bill Marsden and Shawn Pullman current Committee Members offer themselves for re-election. Nominations for places on the Committee should be made in writing to the Honorary Secretary ([secretary@dvorak-society.org](mailto:secretary@dvorak-society.org)) by Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2016.

The Agenda is given on page 2. The AGM has been arranged to coincide with the Leamington Music Festival Weekend so that members have the opportunity to attend both Festival and AGM.

**RSVP – to Hon. Secretary (address in the Yearbook)**

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#### Editorial

Two students, Lukáš Pohůnek (pictured opposite) and Marek Blaha, supported by the Society have given brief reports on their progress (pp. 9 and 10). Congratulations to conductor Jakub Hruša on receiving the Sir Charles Mackerras Award (p.6) and to pianist Tomáš Víšek for winning first prize at the international competition 'Music without Limits' (p.6). There

are details of the Pavel Haas Day at Cardiff and of the Leamington Music Festival Weekend both on p.12

Finally it is interesting to read the different views of the Czech Centre sponsored evening *Inspired by Martinů* at The Forge in Camden Town on pages 3 and 7.



**Kurt Masur (seated), Tomoko Masur (behind), Lukáš Pohůnek (extreme right), three other students on a conducting masterclass at the Mendelssohn Academie in Leipzig.**

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