



Wednesday 9th February 2022 7.30pm *(on Zoom)*

Life, Death and Singing in the English Reformation

An Illustrated talk by **Kerry McCarthy**

English musicians lived through a time of unprecedented change in the sixteenth century. The life stories of Byrd and Tallis are relatively well-known, but they were only two of the many Tudor composers who navigated the turbulent waters of the Reformation and Counter-Reformation. This talk is a journey through some of those experiences, illustrated with music examples, architecture, and art. There will also be ample time for questions and conversation.

Kerry McCarthy is a musician and author known for her work on the English Renaissance. Her recent publications include biographies of Thomas Tallis (Oxford University Press; 2021 AMS award for early music book of the year) and William Byrd (Oxford University Press; 2014 ASCAP Slonimsky Award for musical biography of the year). She is also active as a professional singer, and her current research project is a wide-ranging study of the lives of singers in Tudor England. She will be in residence as a Visiting Fellow at Magdalen College, Oxford in spring 2022.

How to book: Please book online: click on this link [BOOK NOW](#), fill in the form, and click "SUBMIT" at the end. No bookings can be accepted after 5pm on 9th February.

Payment details: £5/head*

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