



Soloist Profile: Organist: Andrew Cooper

Andrew started piano lessons at the age of seven, and then the organ at the age of nine (when his legs were long enough to reach the pedals!).

He was lucky enough to be taught to play the instrument by Kathleen Ingram and Kathleen Lower, both highly regarded island musicians.

Andrew then went on to receive further tuition from Catherine Ennis at St Marylebone Parish Church, London.

He also trained as an organ builder under Henry Willis IV, a member of the famous organ building dynasty.

As a player, he has given recitals in some major U.K. venues, as well as accompanying various choirs at several cathedrals.

Since 1995 Andrew has been organist at All Saints' Church, Ryde. He became their Director of Music in 2016.

He has served on the Organs Committee of the Archbishop's Council, which advises the Archbishop on matters related to the conservation and restoration of pipe organs.

Andrew runs his own established and renowned organ building and restoration company. He and his staff of three, carry out restoration, repair and tuning of pipe organs at home and abroad.

Recent and current work includes projects here on the island, throughout the southern counties of England, also Jersey, Guernsey, London and further afield in Lisbon and Gibraltar.