# The Nicholas Thorpe/Peter Wood Composition Awards

## In association with Southwell Choral Society

## Prize £650

## Closing date 1st September 2026. Applicants must be under 25 years old on the closing date.

## Composers are invited to submit a work of between 5 and 7 minutes duration for Amateur Choral Society (SATB, no soloists) and piano or organ.

To be performed by Southwell Choral Society on 21st November 2026.

The result will be announced 14th September 2026.

The work must be performable by a mixed voice amateur choral society, without soloists, and piano or organ.

The composer is free to chose an appropriate text with a *Remembrance* theme. *Requiem* by Bob Chilcott will be performed in the second half of the concert.

The work must not have been previously performed.

**The score should be submitted electronically (PDF file) to reach the adjudicators by the closing date.**

Entries should be emailed to nthorpe@me.com

**Scores must be accompanied by proof of age and full contact details of the composer.**

The work will remain the property of the composer.

A panel of experienced choral practitioners, including the conductor of Southwell Choral Society, selected and chaired by Nicholas Thorpe will judge the entries.

**All entrants will be contacted and the winner announced.**
The judges' decision will be final.
The organisers reserve the right not to award the prize.
Multiple awards may given if appropriate.

The winning composer will be invited to attend the first performance and be presented with the prize.

Southwell Choral Society will discuss arrangements for the production of performance materials with the composer and be responsible for all aspects of the performance.

Please follow this link to the Composers' Advice Sheet before submitting.