

Newsletter

News ...

Greetings friends and supporters! We hope you have all managed to keep well during the past two years.

CATHERINE ENNIS—R.I.P.

It was with enormous sadness that we learnt of the death of one of our founding trustees Catherine Ennis, on Christmas Eve 2020.

Catherine was a pupil of Nicholas Danby while organ scholar at St Hugh's Oxford, in the 1970s. She was an inspirational performer and teacher.

The NDT benefitted hugely from her charismatic sympathy, understanding of the aspirations and needs of young players and the inspirational support, kindness and friendship she gave us all.

We remember her with great love, and she is deeply mourned. (For a full tribute to Catherine see our website: www.danbytrust.org.)



DR CHERRY JAMES

We are delighted to announce that Cherry James, MA LLM, PhD, Solicitor, has agreed to join the Nicholas Danby Trustees. Cherry is a lecturer in Law at a London university and has a special interest in student mobility - a subject on which she has written a book and a number of published articles. At her university she looks after students

visiting from European universities and also runs a module which incorporates short visits to European universities, allowing her students to study for a week or two alongside their European counterparts: experiences which have proved of great mutual value.

Cherry also has first-hand experience of the work of the NDT as the parent of Freddie James, who, in 2009 was our first bursary award winner (taking him to Amsterdam's Sweelinck Conservatorium to study for a year with Jacques van Oortmessen) and subsequently, in 2014, the winner of the NDT Scholarship, enabling a two year postgraduate course with Ludger Lohmann at the Musikhochschule, Stuttgart. Freddie now lives in Lucerne, where he is organist of the Franciscan Church and has a busy freelance career playing both organ and harpsichord and teaching organ at the Conservatoire.

Cherry is an enthusiastic amateur musician, enjoying choral singing, playing the piano and attending concerts. We welcome Cherry to the NDT and are indeed fortunate that she has agreed to join us.

APPLICATIONS

The trustees welcome applications for their awards. Details and application formats can be found on our website: www.danbytrust.org

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Award News ...

OPHELIA AMAR

In 2021 the Nicholas Danby Scholarship was awarded to Ophelia Amar, who is half French and half British. Until last year, Ophelia had been studying with Eric Lebrun at the Conservatoire de Saint-Maur-des-Fossés.



In September 2021 she commenced her studies for a Master's degree at The Royal Academy of Music, London, with David Titterington. Ophelia has formerly studied at the Sorbonne and at the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universitaet in Munich and has experience as a concert performer, recording artist and church organist. In addition to her studies she is now able to spend time with the members of her family who live in England. www.opheliaamar.com

Events ...

For the past two years we have been unable to hold our annual NDT event, due to covid restrictions. We are now happy to announce that this will take place on Thursday, 16th June, at 7 p.m. at The Temple Church, London EC4. We are delighted that the recital will be given by **ROGER SAYER, Organist of the Temple Church** and a former pupil of Nicholas Danby. The recital will be followed by a Soirée in the famous "Round" at the West End of the Church. This event will be in aid of the NDT. More information will be available in due course.

NDT Event 2022

THE TEMPLE CHURCH, LONDON EC4
Thursday 16th June 7.00 p.m.

Please check our website for further details:
www.danbytrust.org

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THIS VERY VALUABLE WORK!**

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our website: www.danbytrust.org)*

**Thank you for your support! We have no
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into our awards.**

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