

PRESS RELEASE

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THE LATE DINAH MOLLOY-THOMPSON



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The Eric Thompson Trust for Organists and Organ Music was founded in 1993 to commemorate the life and work of Eric Thompson OBE.

Following Eric's untimely death in 1992 his widow Dinah, with close friends, founded the Trust to perpetuate his legacy. Dinah passed away in October 2019, and a celebration of her life is being held at The Dutch Church, London, on Tuesday 24 March.

Eric himself was always interested in the organ and took care to ensure that the instrument, its players and its repertoire were properly represented in the work of the Arts Council and in concerts arranged by the British Council.

Trust Chairman Robin Jéquier commented, 'Dinah was an inspirational supporter of the Trust's work. We make grants to aspiring young organists to attend master classes, summer schools, or lessons from distinguished teachers outside regular studies.' He said, 'Since it was founded the Trust has supported over 100 young organists, and it's wonderful that many of them now hold prestigious positions in cathedrals, colleges, churches and schools.'

Robin continued, 'Dinah and her husband had a long association with The Dutch Church in London, where Eric's memorial service was held in 1992, so it's especially fitting to celebrate Dinah's life there. It will be our opportunity to commemorate her many achievements in music and other areas.'

The Eric Thompson Trust cordially invites all readers to celebrate Dinah Molloy-Thompson's life in words and music, at the Dutch Church, 7 Austin Friars, London EC2N 2HA on Tuesday 24 March. Beginning at 12:30pm and followed by a Reception, the event will end at around 2:00pm.

Admission to the 24 March event is free, with a retiring collection. To manage guest numbers, please register your attendance in advance at [Organ.Eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.organtrust.org/organ-eventbrite)

The event itself is not a fundraiser however, in memory of Dinah, chairman Robin Jéquier is running a half-marathon in aid of the Trust in April 2020. For further details and to support him, please visit [RobinsRun.org](https://www.robinsrun.org)

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