



July 2017

Dear Colleague,

The Salomon Prize

I am writing to encourage you to spread the word about the **Salomon Prize** – awarded annually by the Royal Philharmonic Society and the Association of British Orchestras to recognise the extraordinary contributions made by individual orchestral players in the UK.

This £1,000 Prize is awarded each year to an orchestral musician who has shown commitment and dedication above and beyond the expected service asked by their orchestra. They will have been 'an inspiration to their fellow colleagues and engendered a greater spirit of teamwork within the orchestra'. The prize is named after renowned violinist Johann Peter Salomon, one of the founding members of the Philharmonic Society in 1813.

Last year's Salomon Prize winner was Lennox Mackenzie, long-standing member of the London Symphony Orchestra. Since joining the LSO in 1980, he has served as a Board Member and as Chairman twice, from 1988-92 and then from 2004 until he handed over the reins in February 2016, making him the longest serving Chairman in the LSO's 112-year history.

To be considered for the Salomon Prize, nominees must be proposed and endorsed by five musicians within the ensemble. Final applications should be submitted by an ensemble's Chief Executive or Orchestral Director. Full details are outlined in the enclosed terms of application for the Prize and in the Awards Section of the RPS website: www.philharmonicsociety.uk/awards/the_salomon_prize

Applications should be sent to the RPS by **Friday 29 September 2017.**

This is a unique opportunity to celebrate an individual orchestral player. Please circulate this information to your musicians and encourage them to nominate.

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Rosemary Johnson
Executive Director
Royal Philharmonic Society

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Mark Pemberton
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