

**Principal Conductor** : André de Ridder  
**Principal Guest Conductor** : Nicholas Kok  
**Composer in the House** : Anna Meredith  
**Leader/Artistic Advisor** : Benedict Holland  
**Choral Advisor** : David Lawrence



sinfonia ViVA was founded in 1982 and is a national orchestra based in the East Midlands. It has an integrated approach to concert giving, outreach and audience development work, performing in a wide range of venues in urban and rural areas.

sinfonia ViVA is a creative music organisation offering relevant and enriching experiences for all.

- We embrace new opportunities and ways of working whilst nurturing the best of existing practice, making music accessible to the widest audience.
- We connect participants, communities and professional musicians through shared creative activities and performances.
- We provide an exciting and imaginative performance experience for audiences and participants.
- We collaborate with partners to devise, develop and deliver original musical opportunities.
- We act as an ambassador for music making in the East Midlands and beyond.

The Orchestra has toured to Ireland (including performing as part of the Cork 2005: European Capital of Culture programme) and Berlin, has broadcast on BBC Radio 3 and has been part of a project for Granada Television. In addition, sinfonia ViVA made its London debut in May 2009 as part of an Indian music festival in London's Kings Place, building on its partnership with top Indian classical violinist Kala Ramnath. The Orchestra also appears on the latest Gorillaz album *Plastic Beach*.

André de Ridder has been ViVA's Principal Conductor since 2007 and continues to lead the Orchestra with his dynamic and eye-catching programmes combining the familiar with the new.

sinfonia ViVA has been participating in one of only five national Department for Education Music Partnership Projects, working in the Daventry area of Northampton.

In February 2011, the Orchestra hosted the Association of British Orchestras' national conference in Derby.

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