The Holywell Music Room is the oldest custom built concert hall in Europe, opening its doors to the public for the first time in 1748. Designed by Thomas Camplin, Vice-Principal of St Edmund Hall, the building was probably the brainchild of William Hayes, then Professor of Music at the University. It is now a delightful chamber music venue that is used by performance students at the University and external hirers.

The 2020-2021 charges for current music students and Faculty members are as follows:

£50 for hire of the room
£60 +VAT for hire of the piano
£30 +VAT for hire of the harpsichord

The following rules and guidelines apply to the subsidised charges:

- Faculty members and students can only book during term-time. The dates of term are available to view on the University website.
- Bookings should be made at least 6 weeks in advance of the event.
- A booking will be confirmed when a Booking Form is received along with payment in full.
- The booker, organiser, promoter, responsible person on site and person liable for the bill of the event must be a current music student or Faculty member. Student societies that have a ‘music student as a member’ will not qualify to book at the Music Student rate.
- Any publicity associated with the event (posters, programmes etc.) must acknowledge that the event is “Supported by the Faculty of Music”.

For music student or Faculty member bookings please email: events@music.ox.ac.uk

For all other external bookings please email: events@wadham.ox.ac.uk

We hope that these rates will encourage you to take advantage of this wonderful resource available to you as Music Students and Faculty Members at Oxford.