

Biography – Joseph W G Morris (Updated 01/2024)

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Growing up in Canterbury, Joseph became a founder member of the Canterbury Choral Society Youth Choir, led by Richard Cooke, where he developed his love of choral music. Joseph was heavily involved in the life of the Simon Langton Grammar School for Boys music department and attended the Rodolfus Choral Courses over multiple years which developed his skills singing in larger choirs and in smaller vocal ensembles.

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