

Aberdeen and North east of Scotland Music Festival 2005

Adjudicator: **Ann Lampard**

Class: **Choirs aged 14 and under.**

Name: **Haddo Children's Choir**

Silver Shadows - Marsh

This had a lovely lazy feeling and quite as 'laid back' as the marking on the copy.

A full and unified sound here with excellent vowels and consonants. 3rds are the most difficult interval to keep in tune and there was some slight discrepancy in the opening couple of bars.

Sophisticated and simple at the same time.

Windy Nights - Gilbert

A cracking tempo here and your canon was so crisp and accurate.

Lots of louds and softs and a build to the final very loud chord which was vibrant and well in tune.

You really shaped the the phrases well.

Careful not to sing 'Byee' for the word 'By', it over short, shape slightly.

Very high standard work full of detail and so secure.

Category achieved: Outstanding, artistically and technically.

Winner: Fraserburgh Gold medal.

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Class: **Female voice choir Open.**

Name: **Haddo Youth Choir**

Summer- Holst

This had a lovely pastoral feeling – why 'Ah'?
Extremely unified sound here and a very rich dark tone.
In the narrative sections the words were quite beautifully painted and there were some magical moments with words like 'cool' and 'lit' – they really 'told'.
I would have loved an even more ppp at the end if possible – I am sure they can do it.
Gorgeous ringing tone quality and a feel of the hypnotic sounds of summer.

Dance to Your Daddy – Arr. Neum

A lovely contrast here and this had such tight rhythms and when you got to the cross rhythm section it was so clean and neat.
This is very high quality work – all the tiny details were acknowledged and great care in preparation combined with an obvious experience in fine control choral singing.
It had equally; strength, lightness and inflection.

I take my hat off to you.

**Category achieved: Outstanding, artistically and technically.
Winner: Crowmallie Cup**