

## Apollo5 – 2023/24 Season Biography

Critically acclaimed *a cappella* five-piece Apollo5 is one of Britain's smallest but most formidable vocal groups. Comprising a soprano, mezzo-soprano, two tenors and a bass, the ensemble has become known for its rich, dynamic sound, demonstrating how powerful five voices alone can be. With a versatile approach to music programming, and a repertoire spanning renaissance, classical and contemporary choral works to folk, jazz and pop, the group's five voices bring the music of five centuries to life.

During its 13-year career, Apollo5 has delivered an ambitious education programme and accumulated a busy touring schedule that has taken the group to many European countries, the USA and Asia. In addition to performing at prestigious UK venues such as the Barbican Centre, Wigmore Hall, Cadogan Hall, St John's Smith Square and Wembley Arena, the group has toured extensively across Belgium, Germany and France.

The group is signed to Voces8 Records and has released a number of critically acclaimed albums under this label. Two recent studio albums, *Where All Roses Go* and *O Radiant Dawn*, charted in the top 5 of the UK Classical Charts. Other albums include *Renewal?* and *Reflections*, both collaborations with Voces8 and with music by its co-founder Paul Smith, jazz and pop album *With A Song In My Heart*, and recent album *Invocations*, a piano-accompanied treasury of favourite songs recorded with composer and arranger Fraser Wilson. *Haven*, which explores the music and words of troubled, displaced and persecuted authors, will be released during the 2023/24 season.

As part of the Voces8 Foundation, Apollo5 works alongside Voces8 and Paul Smith to deliver a transformative programme of workshops, masterclasses and concerts to over 40,000 young people annually in the UK, Europe, the USA and Asia.