

Royal Holloway plays host to Gareth Malone's The Choir

At the end of November, Gareth Malone's *The Choir: Best in Britain* reached the semi-final stage, with Royal Holloway providing the back drop to the contest to find Britain's most entertaining, undiscovered amateur choir.

The choirs spent a week on campus, honing their singing skills in their own dedicated rehearsal space in one of The Windsor Building's many flexible seminar rooms, with additional rehearsals taking place in the stunning non-denominational chapel. The choirs all stayed in accommodation within the Founder's Building and enjoyed their meals in the original Victorian Dining Hall. The week culminated in the choirs performing on stage in the Windsor Building in front of a 400 strong audience, each vying for a spot in the live final.

"It's an amazingly imposing building to come into," said Gareth Malone about Founder's Building, "It's the kind of place that makes you think, 'I need to do a really good job!'"

Royal Holloway's distinctive Founder's Building and stunning grounds have proved to be a popular location in the production of a range of TV shows and films, including Avengers: Age of Ultron, Downton Abbey, Celebrity Masterchef and Midsomer Murders.

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