

Celebrating Sir Edgar's links to musical greats

A centenary concert is being held at the Auden Theatre in Holt on Monday to mark the musical patronage of Sir Edgar Speyer.

The Edwardian financier, who died in 1932, fled his Overstrand home in 1915 over unfounded suspicions he was a German spy.

He was actually a generous benefactor whose money saved The Proms from financial collapse. And he helped nurture international musical talent including composers Edvard Grieg, Edward Elgar, Claude Debussy and Richard Strauss.

The concert at the Gresham's School theatre will see pupils performing works associated with Speyer. Proceeds will go to the school charity, the Olpalagilagi Primary School in Kenya. Tickets for the 8pm concert are £10 via the box Office at 01263 713444 or boxoffice@greshams.com