Press Release
For release: 17 October 2014

Royal Philharmonic Society on the move...

RPS offices to move to 48 Great Marlborough Street, London W1, the home of Schott Music

The Royal Philharmonic Society is leaving Stratford Place, W1, its home for the past 33 years, and heading down the road to Great Marlborough Street, to take up residence on the second floor of the Schott Music building. The new office will open on **27 October 2014** – full contact details are listed below, including a new office telephone number and web address.

Schott and the RPS enjoy an historic link: Schott was the first publisher of Beethoven's 9th Symphony, which was commissioned by the Society. The new office is also close to the Philharmonic Society's original home in Argyll Street (1813-1830) where the first UK performance of Beethoven's symphony took place (today marked by a Westminster City Council Green Plaque). To mark the new partnership between Schott and the RPS, the Society's 19th century Schaller bust of Beethoven will take pride of place, looking over the atrium in Great Marlborough Street. The building also contains a performance space, practice rooms and an on-site music shop.

Rosemary Johnson comments:
"Both the RPS and Schott Music have a long history of working with living composers; the RPS dating back to 1813, and Schott to 1770. We're excited to be opening a new musical chapter in partnership with Schott Music, and to be part of a building with music at its heart and at the heart of music, well known to composers and musicians. We look forward to welcoming old and new friends to the second floor over the coming months."

Judith Webb, Managing Director of Schott Music Ltd, comments:
"We are delighted to welcome the Royal Philharmonic Society to our famous house of music in London's West End. Schott Music and the RPS already share a passion for classical music and for supporting composers and performers. We now look forward to sharing our listed building. We are sure Beethoven would approve of

the view! 48 Great Marlborough Street has long been at the heart of all that is excellent in classical music. From here we have published the Music of Our Time, together with a large catalogue of works for music education. Our roster of composers and long list of exciting publications continues to grow in the 21st century. For more information, check our international publishing website: www.schott-music.com or our London retail site: www.schott-music.co.uk"

ROYAL PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY NEW CONTACT DETAILS

New address:
Royal Philharmonic Society
48 Great Marlborough Street
London
W1F 7BB

Phone: +44 (0)20 7287 0019
Fax: +44 (0)20 7439 8358

Web address: www.philharmonicsociety.uk
Email: admin@philharmonicsociety.uk

Further press information:
Sophie Cohen on 020 7428 9850 07711 551 787
sophiecohen@blueyonder.co.uk

* Stratford Place is closing for refurbishment. The building, which is owned by the Royal Society of Musicians, has been home to the RPS and a number of other music organisations since the 1980s.