

HEATHER BILLS.....

Heather was born in Adelaide, South Australia and came to the UK on a scholarship to take up studies at the Royal College of Music in London, studying with Christopher Bunting & Amaryllis Fleming, during which time she won the Australia Prize of the Royal Overseas League Competition and prizes for chamber music at the RCM. She participated in solo and chamber music courses with such esteemed musicians as William Pleeth, Jacqueline du Pre, Ralph Kirshbaum and Emmanuel Hurwitz in Banff, Dartington, Prussia Cove, Monterosso & Perugia respectively, where her love for chamber music was firmly established. Heather was the Co-principal Cellist of the Halle Orchestra in Manchester from '83-'90 before moving to Anglesey, North Wales where she became a member of the chamber group Ensemble Cymru & principal cellist of the Welsh Chamber Orchestra. In 2008 she returned to Manchester & re-established a busy freelance career.