

ELLIS, LEWIS (1761 - 1823), musician

Name: Lewis Ellis
Date of birth: 1761
Date of death: 1823
Child: Richard Ellis
Gender: Male
Occupation: musician
Area of activity: Music; Performing Arts
Author: Robert David Griffith

Born in the parish of Llansadwrn, Anglesey. He was precentor at Beaumaris church and he and his sons played various instruments in the church service. About the year 1787 he constructed an organ at his house at Pent r, Henblas, this being the first organ to be built in the isle of Anglesey. In 1796 he moved it from his house and reconstructed it inside Beaumaris church. The following entry appears in the corporation of Beaumaris records: 'Year ended Michaelmas 1796. Voucher, Lewis Ellis for what ordered to be given him out of the Corporation Fund, towards satisfying him for an organ built by him for the use of Beaumaris Church, £10.10.0.' He was organist of the church until 1800. He died 25 March 1823 and was buried in Beaumaris churchyard.

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