



Guernsey Music Centre

March
2023

Spring Term 2023

20th March – 24th March

Trinity practical examinations at the PRCPA

Monday 27th March

ABRSM practical examinations at the PRCPA

****Tuesday 28th March****

Eisteddfod Gala Concert – details to be confirmed.

Tuesday 28th-Thursday 30th March

Primary Schools Choral Project

Brilliant the Dinosaur

PRCPA 7pm

Tuesday 28th – Thursday 30th March

Primary, Junior, Intermediate, Cantabile and Guernsey Girls' Choirs cancelled

Friday 31st March

No Jazz rehearsals

****Friday 31st March****

Concert – St Saviour's Church

Brass Band, Flute Choir & Clarinet Choir.

7.30pm – refreshments from 7pm

Thursday 6th April

Last day of instrumental lessons in State schools.

Summer Term 2023

Tuesday 25th April

Instrumental lessons in school & weekend choirs recommence.

Friday 28th April

Jazz rehearsals recommence.

Saturday 29th April

Music Centre recommences.

Saturday 6th May

No Music Centre

King Charles Coronation

Summer Term 2023

Saturday 13th May

No Music Centre – auditions for Youth Training Orchestra, Concert Wind Band and Youth Orchestra – by invitation only.

Saturday 13th May

Rehearsal for Youth Chamber

Orchestra 9:00 to 9:45am at PRCPA

**** Saturday 13th May** Concert - Vale Church**

Youth Chamber Orchestra &

String Chamber Music Groups

7.30pm – refreshments from 7pm

****Saturday 20th May****

Flute Choir and Music Centre Chamber Choir

St Martin's Flower Festival – details tbc

Saturday 20th May

Southbank Sinfonia musicians visit - details tbc

****Sunday 21st May ****

Youth Jazz and Training Jazz Orchestras at Candie Gardens, 3pm.

Fridays 26th May and 2nd June

No Jazz rehearsals

Saturdays 27th May and 3rd June

No Music Centre around half term

****Saturday 17th June****

His Majesty's Official Birthday Reception at Government House – Concert Wind Band and Youth Jazz to perform – details to follow.

****Friday 23rd June****

Summer Concert - Youth Wind Band, Youth Training Orchestra, Intermediate & Girls' Choirs.

7:30pm at St James

****Saturday 24th June****

Leavers' Concert - Youth Orchestra, Concert Wind Band & Youth Choir.

7:30pm at St James

Summer Term 2023

****Saturday 1st July****

Open Morning, Grammar School.

Friday 7th July

Last day of instrumental lessons

Friday 14th July – Friday 21st July

Music Centre trip to Biberach for Youth Orchestra, Youth Choir and Concert Wind Band

Future Diary Dates

****Friday 26th January 2024****

Winter Concert - Youth Wind Band, Youth Training Orchestra, Intermediate & Girls' Choirs.

****Saturday 27th January 2024****

Winter Concert - Youth Orchestra, Concert Wind Band & Youth Choir.

****Saturday 16th March 2024****

Friends of Guernsey Music Centre Jazz Evening 7.30pm at PRCPA

Head of Service

Tim Wright

Heads of Department

Woodwind

Elizabeth Green

Brass & Percussion

Neill Hadden

Strings

Carmen Craven-Grew

Vocal Studies

Rachel Wright

Teaching Staff

Woodwind

Daniel Madden

Woodwind

Katie Gough

Brass

James Hatton

Upper Strings

Sarah van Vlymen

Lower Strings

Chris Holland

Part Time Teaching Staff

Brass & Woodwind

Neil Burton (Alderney)

Upper Strings

Alessia Orme

Lower Strings

Sam Holland

Theory

Juanita Byrne

Office Staff

Executive Officer

Sue Tostevin-Hall

Admin Assistant

Jo Feist

Music Centre Staff

Accessories Shop

Antonio Strappini

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Grace Sarre

For Saturday Music Centre, please telephone 01481 222953



Southbank Sinfonia Workshops/Mentoring

Musicians from the Southbank Sinfonia visited Guernsey in November to continue to strengthen the bond between this orchestra for young professionals and young musicians in Guernsey. Southbank musicians worked with our bassoon, French horn and oboe pupils. We look forward to their next visit in May.



Music Centre alumni Maisie Whiteman and Jacob Wright also had the opportunity as part of their support from the Guernsey Music Bursary to sit in on rehearsals with the Southbank Sinfonia in London earlier this month, with Jacob being invited to perform with the orchestra in concerts in London and Marlborough College.

Performances This Term

Music Centre is very grateful to Butterfield for their continued generous sponsorship of both Winter Concerts which took place this year at St James on 20th and 21st January.



Music Centre pupils also had the honour of performing at the Rotary Club of Guernsey's Centenary Dinner at St Pierre Park on Friday 3rd March.

Music Service Alumni Updates

Congratulations to Music Centre alumni Jack Tostevin-Hall and Annabelle Pizzey on gaining places on post-graduate courses in September 2023. Jack will be staying on at the Royal Academy of Music and Annabelle will be moving from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland to the Royal College of Music. Both studied oboe with Mrs Green.

Congratulations also go to trombonist Gregory Male and trumpeter Ben Tasker who have just entered the Royal Marines Band Service, and will join the other five Music Centre alumni who are currently serving with the Royal Marines Bands.

Friends of Guernsey Music Centre

Following collections at the Christmas Open Morning on 10th December and another very successful Jazz evening at St James in January, the Friends of Guernsey Music Centre have raised valuable funds which will help support the Music Service in many practical ways. Many thanks go to the performers, parents and friends who supported these events.

Eisteddfod

Congratulations to all musicians who participated in the recent Festival. Music Centre groups were again successful in many classes.