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WELCOME TO SPRING AT THE ACADEMY



Performing is a way of life at the Academy, and in all our disciplines we encourage students to explore their musical horizons to the limit. That's why our graduates make their mark in concert halls, opera houses, theatres, recording studios and every other kind of venue throughout the world.

Our students benefit from a stimulating curriculum and, as you will see in the pages that follow, an ambitious range of concerts and events. They work regularly with renowned visiting professors and guests in performances, SIDE-BY-SIDE projects and masterclasses they will remember for the rest of their lives – formative experiences that lay the groundwork for fulfilling and diverse careers.

We are proud to have performed nearly 300 Bach cantatas in the last 15 years. Whilst it was hard to tear ourselves away from this endlessly rewarding journey, we are looking forward to our new performance series, Resounding Shores, as we enter our third century.

This series will explore the extraordinary range and depth of expression of Henry Purcell's music and it also gives us the chance to re-evaluate his work alongside the forebears and contemporaries he is known to have cherished such as Blow, Byrd, Dowland, Gibbons, Lawes, Jenkins and Locke. The generosity of Dr Michelle Kohn, continuing the legacy of her father Sir Ralph Kohn, and Fondation Meyer, is deeply appreciated. More details about the series are on pages 9 and 21.

I look forward to seeing you at some of the exciting events to be held this term. In the meantime, I want to thank our valued audiences for their ongoing support of our students and our historic but forward-looking institution.

Professor Jonathan Freeman-Attwood CBE Principal

ACADEMY PIANO SERIES AT WIGMORE HALL



£10 FROM WIGMORE-HALL.ORG.UK; BOOKING FEES APPLY

WED 10 JAN, 1PM VEDRAN JANJANIN

HAYDN Piano Sonata in E, Hob XVI:31 **JS BACH/RACHMANINOV** Suite from the Violin Partita No 3 in E

LANA JANJANIN Folk Song No 1 from Nobody's Folklore

DAVOR BOBIĆ Hommage à Scriabin **SCRIABIN** Polonaise in B flat minor, Op 21; Deux poèmes, Op 32; Fragilité, Op 51 No 1; Feuillet d'album, Op 58; Piano Sonata in F sharp minor, Op 53

A programme inspired by the fiery poetry of Scriabin, performed alongside works by celebrated Croatian composers, including Vedran's sister, composer and jazz musician Lana Janjanin.

Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore Street, London W1U 2BP Director John Gilhooly

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WED 21 FEB, 1PM YUZHANG LI

RACHMANINOV 10 Preludes, Op 23 **BEETHOVEN** Piano Sonata in A, Op 101

A recital presenting two pillars of piano repertory: Beethoven's late, luminous A major sonata, and the complete set of Op 23 Preludes by Rachmaninov, evoking emotional power and virtuosic drama.

WED 13 MAR, 1PM TRACY TANG

SCRIABIN Piano Sonata in F minor, Op 6 **VALENTIN SILVESTROV** Two Waltzes, Op 153

PROKOFIEV Piano Sonata No 8 in B flat, Op 84

This programme imaginatively links works from Russia and Ukraine, contrasting Silvestrov's haunting music with the last of Prokofiev's celebrated 'War Sonatas'.

SUN 14 JAN, 3PM

ACADEMY SONG CIRCLE

WIGMORE HALL £18 (CONCESSIONS £16); BOOKING FEES APPLY

Clara Orif soprano
Angharad Rowlands mezzo-soprano
Samuel Stopford tenor
Johannes Moore baritone
Zany Denyer, Chunmeng Ge,
Daniel Silcock and Jiewei Yu piano

The Academy Song Circle presents a recital of songs by European composers celebrating Italy and its rich culture.

FAURÉ Cinq mélodies 'de Venise', Op 58 LISZT Tre sonetti di Petrarca DEBUSSY Ariettes oubliées VAUGHAN WILLIAMS The House of Life

WIGMORE HALL

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MON 15 - WED 17 JAN

STUDENTS CREATE

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

VARIOUS VENUES FREE

The annual Students Create Festival sees Academy students taking over performance venues from lunchtime into the evening over the course of three days. Produced by the Artist Development Team in association with the Students' Union, the festival programme embraces an eclectic and imaginative mix of concerts, staged events and video, created entirely by students. See ram.ac.uk/events for full programme details.

JANUARY



WED 10 JAN, 3PM THE DELUSION OF URTEXT

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Guitar professor Stephen Goss illuminates the murky process of collaboration between a composer and a guitarist. What contribution comes from the collaborating performer? How is that contribution measured and recognised? Were guitarists Andrés Segovia, Julian Bream and John Williams more involved in composition than is generally known?

TUES 16 JAN, 6.30PM LOU HARRISON: A CELEBRATION

DUKE'S HALL FREE

Neil Percy conductor
Hamish Wagstaff organ
Emil Hartikainen violin
with Academy percussion students

HARRISON Concerto for Organ with Percussion Orchestra; Concerto for Violin with Percussion Orchestra

The Timpani and Percussion Department presents a celebration of American composer Lou Harrison (1917-2003), who was best known for incorporating elements of non-Western cultures into his work, including pieces written for Javanese gamelan instruments.

THURS 18 JAN, 1PM ZENITH QUARTET

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Chloe Bowers-Soriano and Jonasz Szachtmajer violin Andrea Fages viola Julius Maknickas cello

FANNY MENDELSSOHN String Quartet in E flat

FELIX MENDELSSOHN String Quartet in F minor, Op 80

The Zenith Quartet is a 2023/24 Frost ASSET Scheme quartet, generously supported by the Albert and Eugenie Frost Music Trust





LASSIK UNDERGROUND

Academy students reimagine the art of presenting classical music in this unique pair of concerts. The culmination of a partnership with Tahlia Petrosian, director of the internationally acclaimed concert series KLASSIK underground and viola player of the Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra, and a team of expert creative collaborators, these concerts experiment with new ways of performing to 21st-century audiences. Join us for this innovative festival where students perform chamber music of the highest calibre while simultaneously unleashing their creativity.

TUES 23 JAN, 1PM

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

STRAVINSKY Septet **BEETHOVEN** Septet in E flat, Op 20

THURS 25 JAN, 6.30PM

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

RAVEL Trois poèmes de Mallarmé **PROKOFIEV** Quintet in G minor, Op 39 **POULENC** Sextet



JANUARY



FRI 26 JAN, 6PM VISION FUGITIVE: A PERFORMANCE FILM

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Filmed in the Susie Sainsbury Theatre in December 2022, Vision Fugitive is a concert film by pianist and PhD student Ivan Moshchuk and director of photography Andy Staples. This 50-minute work was captured in a single uninterrupted shot and choreographed collaboratively by performer and director.

TUES 30 JAN, 1PM

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Camille Buitenhuis and Samuel Cutajar violin

Gordon Cervoni viola
Bella Lorenzo-Giguere cello

HAYDN String Quartet in G, Op 33 No 5, 'How do you do'

MENDELSSOHN String Quartet in E flat, Op 44 No 3

JESSIE MONTGOMERY Strum

MON 29 JAN, 6.30PM ACADEMY SONG CIRCLE: THE FOUR SEASONS

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

The Academy Song Circle presents a concert celebrating the nature surrounding us and the beauty of the changing seasons with a programme including songs by Dring, Fauré and Schubert

TUES 30 JAN, 6.30PM THE LIGHT ON THE EDGE

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Erika Clevejärn and Louis Moisan guitar Aisha Palmer harp Elissavet Archontidi-Tsaldaraki and Zosia Herlihy-O'Brien violin Dorota Kolinek viola Jessica Abrahams cello Eleanor Grant double bass Lizzie Knatt recorder Matthew Brett percussion

HOUGHTON The Light on the Edge LAURA SNOWDEN Into the Light STEPHEN GOSS The Flower of Cities

JANUARY/FEBRUARY



WED 31 JAN, 3PM THE PIANO MUSIC OF FRANCIS EDWARD BACHE

MUSEUM PIANO GALLERY FREE

This lecture-recital, given by alumna Elizabeth French, explores the solo piano works of British composer-pianist Francis Edward Bache (1833-58), whose manuscripts are held in the Academy Library. She scrutinises his compositional processes and style as the pieces are placed in context alongside other composers of the period.

WED 31 JAN, 7.30PM ASSET SHOWCASE

DAVID JOSEFOWITZ RECITAL HALL FREE

A concert showcasing string quartets from the Academy's Frost ASSET (Advanced Specialist Strings Ensemble Training) Scheme, which are selected by audition each year, including works by Haydn, Mendelssohn and Shostakovich. This scheme would not be possible without the generous support of the Albert and Eugenie Frost Music Trust.

THURS 1 FEB, 1PM GUITAR RECITAL

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Georgi Dimitrov, Gonçalo Maia Caetano and **Gus McQuade** guitar

JS BACH Prelude, Fugue and Allegro in E flat, BWV 998; Partita in C minor, BWV 826 (excerpts); Ciaccona from Partita in D minor, BWV 1004

Academy guitarists perform solo works by Bach.

FRI 2 FEB, 6PM IN SEARCH OF GERRY MULLIGAN

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Alyn Shipton, broadcaster, author, and Research Fellow at the Academy, offers insights into the research behind his most recent book, *The Gerry Mulligan 1950s Quartets*. He shares historical interviews, archive manuscript sources and Mulligan's recordings to illuminate the progress of this accomplished arranger, instrumentalist and composer.

SAT 3 FEB, 6PM

LONDON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA SIDE-BY-SIDE

ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL FREE, NO BOOKING REQUIRED

Edward Gardner conductor

STRAVINSKY Symphonies of Wind Instruments

TANIA LEÓN Ácana

TIPPETT Little Music for String Orchestra

DANIELS Deep Forest

Academy students join forces with members of the London Philharmonic Orchestra and its current cohort of Foyle Future First musicians for a vibrant performance led by Edward Gardner, Sir Charles Mackerras Chair of Conducting at the Academy and Principal Conductor of the LPO.

Alongside works by Stravinsky and Tippett that showcase the different sections of the ensemble, the programme features music inspired by trees, including Tania León's Ácana, named after a tree that grows in the composer's native Cuba, prized for its beauty and durability. Mabel Daniels' Deep Forest was inspired by the New Hampshire woods, where the American composer spent several summers.



FEBRUARY



TUES 6 FEB, 1PM

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Siyuan Xu piano Emily Harrison violin Yena Gook cello

LILI BOULANGER D'un matin de printemps; D'un soir triste **SCHMITT** Très lent from Sonatine en trio, Op 85

FARRENC Piano Trio in D minor, Op 34

TUES 6 FEB, 6.30PM NEW WORKS FOR GUITAR

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

After six months of close collaboration between the Academy's Guitar and Composition departments, this concert showcases five new works.

WED 7 FEB, 6.30PM LOVE NOTES

DAVID JOSEFOWITZ RECITAL HALL FREE

Chantefable:

Mariana Rodrigues soprano Andrew Cowie harpsichord Intesa:

Nathan Giorgetti viola da gamba/cello Lucine Musaelian viola da gamba/voice

A concert exploring the theme of love through Renaissance and Baroque song, including works by Strozzi, Monteverdi, Charpentier and Handel.

THURS 8 FEB, 1PM ACADEMY SAXOPHONES

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Vlad Biliachenko, Joseph Compton, Abby Tyson and Chun Kei Wong saxophone

A programme of solo repertoire, as well as works by Beethoven and Malcolm Arnold, arranged for saxophone trio.



RACHMANINOV

Piano Concerto No 2 in C minor, Op 18

RIMSKY-KORSAKOV

Scheherazade, Op 35

Our Henry Wood Chair of Conducting, John Wilson, conducts Rachmaninov's Second Piano Concerto, featuring student soloist Kasparas Mikužis, and Rimsky-Korsakov's symphonic suite named after the storyteller of the of tales known as *One Thousand and One Nights*.

FEBRUARY



MON 12 FEB, 6.30PM ORGAN RECITAL

DUKE'S HALL FREE

MESSIAEN La Nativité du Seigneur

Organ students perform the nine meditations of Olivier Messiaen's exquisite organ cycle of 1935.

TUES 13 FEB, 1PM SLATE QUARTET

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Jenny Clare and Tiago Soares Silva violin Carys Barnes viola Oona Lowther cello

DVOŘÁK String Quartet in F, Op 96, 'American'

BARBER String Quartet in B minor, Op 11 **PRICE** Adoration

TUES 13 FEB, 7.30PM STEPHEN GOSS AT 60

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

STEPHEN GOSS American Pastoral; Threnody; The Autumn Song; Wynwood Walls (UK premiere); From Honey to Ashes; Under Milk Wood Songs; Miami Beach (world premiere); Cocktail List (UK premiere)

A celebration of alumnus and professor Stephen Goss, one of the UK's leading composers for classical guitar, whose work is inspired by time and space. This anniversary programme comprises a sample of his work from the last 35 years.

THURS 15 FEB, 6PM FRI 16 FEB, 3PM ROYAL ACADEMY OPERA SCENES

SUSIE SAINSBURY THEATRE £8 (CONCESSIONS £6)

Victoria Newlyn director

Under the musical guidance of Head of Opera, Brenda Hurley, members of Royal Academy Opera and the Preparatory Opera course, alongside the Répétiteur Fellows and students from the Conducting Department, present a varied programme of operatic scenes. An integral part of the RAO training programme, the focus is on combining singing with movement and stagecraft.

FRI 16 FEB, 6.30PM

RIOT ENSEMBLE SIDE-BY-SIDE



DUKE'S HALL

FREE



Fabián Panisello conductor

TOBY ANDERSON New work (world premiere) WILL HARMER New work (world premiere)

YAN EE TO New work (world premiere)
FABIÁN PANISELLO Concierto
de cámara

Students play with musicians from the Composition Department's Ensemble in Residence, Riot Ensemble, a collective that specialises in contemporary music. The programme features three brandnew works by composition students and culminates in a chamber concerto by the Argentinian-Spanish composer Fabián Panisello, who also conducts this evening's concert.

FEBRUARY



TUES 20 FEB, 1PM ISLA STRING QUARTET

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Mio Takahashi and Kynan Walker violin Catherine White viola Danushka Edirisinghe cello

HAYDN String Quartet in D, Op 20 No 4 **SHOSTAKOVICH** String Quartet No 7 in F sharp minor, Op 108

The Isla String Quartet is a 2023/24 Frost ASSET Scheme quartet, generously supported by the Albert and Eugenie Frost Music Trust.

WED 21 FEB, 6PM SCHUMANN LIEDER PRIZE

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Generously supported by Edward Brooks and Lyndon van der Pump, prizes are given to singers and accompanists in memory of Joan Chissell and Rex Stephens. Finalists present a programme of Lieder by Robert Schumann.

THURS 22 FEB, 1PM PIANO QUARTETS

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Junyan Chen piano Charlotte Spruit violin Edgar Francis viola Hugh Mackay cello

MOZART Piano Quartet in G minor, K 478 **FAURÉ** Piano Quartet in G minor, Op 45

THURS 22 FEB, 6.30PM

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Allyn Wu baritone
Mariana Rodrigues soprano
Charlotte Spruit and Małgorzata
Zwierzchowska violin
Elizabeth van't Voort viola
Jude Chandler violone
Nathan Giorgetti viola da gamba/cello
Louis Moisan theorbo
Grace Scott Deuchar oboe
Thomas Pickering flute
Lizzie Knatt bassoon
Andrew Cowie harpsichord

HANDEL Apollo e Dafne, HWV 122

A complete performance of Handel's lesser-known cantata depicting the ancient Greek story of the god Apollo and nymph Dafne.



DUKE'S HALL £8 (CONCESSIONS £6)

Ryan Wigglesworth conductor

NIELSEN arr HANS ABRAHAMSEN

Commotio, Op 58; Symphony No 6, 'Sinfonia semplice'

Ryan Wigglesworth, Chief Conductor of the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra and Richard Rodney Bennett Professor of Music at the Academy, conducts an all-Nielsen programme, presented in arrangements by Hans Abrahamsen, our Oliver Knussen Professor of Composition.

FEBRUARY



FRI 23 FEB, 6PM 'UNFORGETTING' JUSTIN CONNOLLY'S VIBRANT MUSICAL PRACTICE

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Mihailo Trandafilovski violin Peter Sheppard Skærved viola Neil Heyde cello Academy students

This event explores the forgotten music of Justin Connolly (1933-2020), an Academy professor who was widely recognised as one of the most important British composers of the late 20th century. Alongside discussion of his approach to collaboration by composer Andrew McBirnie, it presents the premiere of Connolly's String Trio and explores pieces for four violins and for three violas and accordion.

TUES 27 FEB, 1PM TEMPORAL HARMONIES INC.

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Mikołaj Piszczorowicz cello Lydia Walquist flute Xiaowen Shang piano

FARRENC Trio in E minor, Op 45 **DEBUSSY** Piano Trio in G **LILI BOULANGER** D'un matin de printemps

THURS 29 FEB, 1PM ACADEMY WIND ENSEMBLE

ST JOHN'S SMITH SQUARE £10; BOOKING FEES APPLY

Fraser Gordon conductor

STRAUSS arr NIGEL SHORE

Der Rosenkavalier Suite, Op 59

The Academy Wind Ensemble, conducted by our Head of Woodwind, performs an arrangement of music from Richard Strauss' rom-com opera *Der Rosenkavalier*. This event is part of a new series of lunchtime concerts by Academy students at St John's Smith Square.

THURS 29 FEB, 1PM JUNO DUO

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Isabella Hulbert soprano/violin **Maryna Vosmirova** guitar/voice

A programme of cabaret songs by Kander and Ebb, Benjamin Britten, Kurt Weill and George Gershwin. RESOUNDING
SHORES
MUSIC FOR
THE THEATRE
AND THE
ALEHOUSE

DUKE'S HALL £20 (CONCESSIONS £16)

Bjarte Eike director/violin Hans Knut Sveen keyboards Academy Baroque Soloists

LOCKE Suite from The Tempest BLOW Suite from Venus and Adonis PURCELL Theatre music

Violinist Bjarte Eike, who is blazing a trail for Baroque music with his charismatic performance style, leads a high-energy spectacle of suites from music for the theatre by Matthew Locke, John Blow and Henry Purcell. Expect an experience that pushes the boundaries of the traditional concert format, connecting 'high' and 'low' music cultures from 17th-century London.



MARCH



TUES 5 MAR, 1PM QUINTESSENTIAL

DAVID JOSEFOWITZ RECITAL HALL FREE

Daisy Noton flute
Harvey Jones oboe
Louisa Buchan clarinet
Rory McGregor bassoon
Hannah Williams horn

VALERIE COLEMAN Umoja STRAVINSKY Suite No 2 IBERT Trois pièces brèves JS BACH arr RECHTMAN Concerto No 2 in D minor 'after Vivaldi', BWV 593 LIGETI Six Bagatelles MALANDO arr JOACHIM SCHMEISSER Olé Guapa

WED 6 MAR, 6.30PM COMPOSERS' PLATFORM

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

An exciting mix of brand-new pieces by Academy composition students.

THURS 7 MAR, 1PM ZEPHYR PIANO TRIO

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Caitlin Wiranata piano Laura Kim violin Yunxiaotian Pan cello

BRIDGE Miniatures, H 87-89; Phantasie, H 79

THURS 7 MAR, 3PM DEMYSTIFYING THE DIVA

MUSEUM PIANO GALLERY FREE

In celebration of International Women's Day, soprano Victoria Hodgkinson gives insight into her PhD research, which focuses on female performance identity, across time, in Handel's opera seria. Using an original harpsichord from the Academy's keyboard collection, this lecture-recital presents Handel's arias for notable singers alongside a new work by composer Geoffrey King that explores how we collectively remember historical female performers.

MARCH



THURS 7 MAR, 6.30PM GUITARIA: SCHUBERTIADE

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

SCHUBERT Die schöne Müllerin, D 795 (excerpts); Gesänge des Harfners, D 478; Sei mir gegrüsst, D 741; Frühlingsglaube, D 686; Hänflings Liebeswerbung, D 552; Heidenröslein, D 257; Schäfers Klagelied, D 121; Die Nacht, D deest; Jägers Abendlied, D 368; Liebhaber in allen Gestalten, D 558; Seligkeit, D 433; Terzetto: Ertöne, Leier. zur Festesfeier. D 80

In a special programme devised by Christoph Denoth to celebrate the bicentenary of the Schubertiade of 1824, Academy singers and guitarists explore Franz Schubert's wonderful legacy of songs, many of them inspired by the composer's affection for the guitar.

FRI 8 MAR, 6.30PM ORGAN RECITAL

DUKE'S HALL FRFF

Organ students present a programme of works by Marcel Dupré, Gaston Litaize, Jean-Louis Florentz and Jean-Baptiste Robin.

MON 11 MAR, 7.30PM ACCORDION CHAMBER MUSIC

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

A programme of chamber music featuring the accordion.

MARCH



TUES 12 MAR, 1PM LISSON TRIO

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Sejin Yoon piano Felix Pascoe violin Daniel Schultz cello

ARENSKY Piano Trio in F minor, Op 73 **SIBELIUS** Allegretto in E flat; La pompeuse Marche d'Asis, JS 116; Allegro in D minor

THURS 14 MAR, 1PM HARP CHAMBER MUSIC

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL FREE

Zhaoyi Huang, Megan Humphries, Katie Lo, Anna Phillips, Katie Sherratt and Grace Tanner harp Other musicians to be announced

MOZART arr SKAILA KANGA Rondo in A for flute, viola and harp, K 386 BANTOCK Pibroch and Hamabdil for cello and harp

RICHARD BISSILL Panoply for solo flute and two harps

SAINT-SAËNS Fantaisie for violin and harp, Op 124

RAVEL Introduction and Allegro for harp, flute, clarinet and string quartet

WED 20 MAR, 6.30PM ACADEMY STRING ORCHESTRA

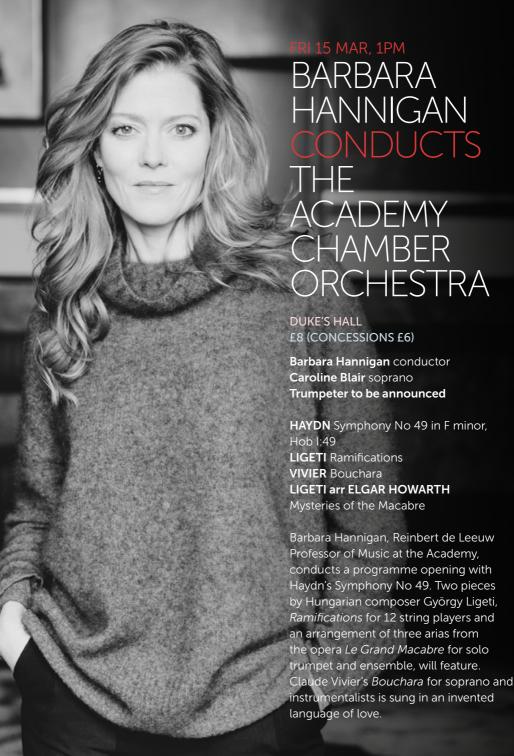
DUKE'S HALL FRFF

Magnus Johnston director

WARLOCK Capriol Suite BARBER Adagio for Strings TCHAIKOVSKY Serenade for Strings in C, Op 48

Violinist Magnus Johnston directs the Academy String Orchestra, comprised of first-year string students, in a programme that opens with Peter Warlock's 1926 work inspired by Renaissance dances. Two further masterworks of the string orchestra repertoire follow: Barber's Adagio for Strings and Tchaikovsky's Serenade for Strings.







NASH ENSEMBLE SIDE-BY-SIDE

WIGMORE HALL £5; BOOKING FEES APPLY

With the friendly support of the Ernst von Siemens Music Foundation

David Adams viola Alasdair Beatson and Junyan Chen piano

WIGMORE HALL

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BIRTWISTLE Verses **MARY OFFER** Lamentations (world premiere)

BIRTWISTLE Oockooing Bird; Sad Song **TOBY ANDERSON** falling free (world premiere)

BIRTWISTLE Entr'actes

Academy students perform alongside members of the Nash Ensemble in this programme of works by Harrison Birtwistle. Two new pieces by composition students have been commissioned by the Nash Ensemble for this concert.



WED 31 JAN, 7.30PM

ACADEMY JAZZ ORCHESTRA GIACOMO SMITH

SUSIE SAINSBURY THEATRE £12 (CONCESSIONS £10; UNDER 35s £5)

Renowned composer, producer and multi-instrumentalist Giacomo Smith conducts the Academy Jazz Orchestra in a concert celebrating the centennial year of the great Thad Jones, exploring his shared musical lineage and legacy with Count Basie. Basie's blues and riff-based explorations became the foundation for jazz orchestra music, and Jones joined his trumpet section in 1954 and soon began writing for Basie's big band. In 1966, Jones co-founded a legendary ensemble with drummer Mel Lewis. notable for its racially integrated line-up. Jones' iconic music seamlessly retained the Basie essence while integrating his harmonic and rhythmic advancements as a composer.



WED 14 - THURS 15 FEB ACADEMY JAZZ FESTIVAL

DAVID JOSEFOWITZ RECITAL HALL E5

Now in its 10th year, the annual Academy Jazz Festival has become one of the highlights of our calendar, with students working alongside guest artists who lead small ensembles performing their own music. This year, we welcome back award-winning jazz trumpeter and composer Laura Jurd and two stars of the European Jazz scene: vibraphonist Jim Hart and pianist Kit Downes. Other guests appear in the festival for the first time: South Korean drummer and rising star Sun-Mi Hong, MOBOnominated guitarist and composer Femi Temowo and trumpeter, bandleader and founder of Banger Factory Records,

WED 14 FEB, 6PM

Kit Downes, Sun-Mi Hong, Mark Kavuma

Mark Kavuma.

THURS 15 FEB, 6PM

Jim Hart, Laura Jurd, Femi Temowo





FRI 8 MAR, 7PM AND 9.15PM
ACADEMY
JAZZ
ORCHESTRA
NIKKI ILES
AND INGRID
JENSEN

VORTEX JAZZ CLUB £20 (CONCESSIONS £15)

Join us at this iconic London jazz venue for a celebration of International Women's Day, featuring two of the world's leading jazz musicians. Ingrid Jensen, Visiting Professor of Jazz at the Academy, is one of the most celebrated contemporary trumpet players on the scene. Alongside her distinguished career, she is Dean of Jazz Arts at the Manhattan School of Music and a member of the supergroup Artemis.

Nikki lles is one of the UK's greatest pianists. She is Composer in Residence 2023 for the famous NDR Bigband in Hamburg and leads her own celebrated ensembles: The Printmakers and the Nikki Iles Jazz Orchestra. Tonight, these two artists collaborate for the first time, performing a programme of their own music and some pieces by mutual friends and colleagues.

MASTERCLASSES

classes £5

Great artists work with Academy students, discussing musical interpretation, exploring new perspectives and bringing out more detail in their playing.



MON 8 JAN, 2PM MARK ALMOND

DAVID JOSEFOWITZ RECITAL HALL

Principal Horn of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Mark Almond, gives his first masterclass at the Academy.



MON 22 JAN, 10.30AM BBC SINGERS

DUKE'S HALL

The Academy's choral conducting students work with one of Europe's premier choral groups and their chief conductor, Sofi Jeannin, in music from the Romantic and modern eras.



THURS 11 JAN, 10.30AM SUSAN BULLOCK

DAVID JOSEFOWITZ RECITAL HALL

Susan Bullock, international dramatic soprano and Marjorie Thomas Visiting Professor of Singing at the Academy, makes a welcome return to give a masterclass with our vocal students.



TUES 23 JAN, 10AM INON BARNATAN

DUKE'S HALL

International piano soloist, curator and collaborator Inon Barnatan gives his first masterclass at the Academy.

MASTERCLASSES



WED 31 JAN, 10AM HARTMUT ROHDE

DAVID JOSEFOWITZ RECITAL HALL

Visiting Professor of Viola Hartmut Rohde makes a welcome return for this masterclass.



MON 5 FEB, 6PM BURAK MARLALI

DAVID JOSEFOWITZ RECITAL HALL

Burak Marlali, Principal Double Bass of the Gewandhausorchester Leipzig, gives his first masterclass at the Academy.



MON 5 FEB, 10AM LEIF OVE ANDSNES

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL

Masterclass with Norwegian pianist Leif Ove Andsnes, Aud Jebsen Visiting Professor of Piano.



MON 12 FEB, 2PM BRINDLEY SHERRATT

DAVID JOSEFOWITZ RECITAL HALL

Highlights in the career of operatic bass Brindley Sherratt include roles at the Vienna State Opera, Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, Glyndebourne Festival Opera, Aldeburgh Festival, Welsh National Opera and Opera North.



MON 19 FEB, 10AM JAMES EHNES

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL

James Ehnes, Visiting Professor of Violin, delivers what promises to be an inspiring masterclass.



TUES 20 FEB, 3PM SHEKU KANNEH-MASON

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL

Classical BRIT Award-winner and Menuhin Visiting Professor of Performance Mentoring, Sheku Kanneh-Mason, returns for another masterclass with cello students



TUES 20 FEB, 6PM CLAUDE-MICHEL SCHÖNBERG

SUSIE SAINSBURY THEATRE

Claude-Michel Schönberg, Tony Awardwinner and world-renowned composer of Les Misérables and Miss Saigon, joins us for a masterclass in his role as Visiting Professor of Musical Theatre.



WED 21 FEB, 10AM SUSAN MANOFF

DAVID JOSEFOWITZ RECITAL HALL

Students from the Ensemble Piano and Vocal Departments work with Susan Manoff for the first time.



FRI 23 FEB, 3.30PM ERIC AUBIER

DUKE'S HALL

Eric Aubier, international soloist and Visiting Professor of Trumpet at the Academy, makes a welcome return for this masterclass.



MON 26 FEB, 10AM TIMOTHY RIDOUT

DAVID JOSEFOWITZ RECITAL HALL

A viola masterclass with alumnus Timothy Ridout, who appears as a soloist with orchestras around the world.



THURS 29 FEB, 6PM EDOARDO CATEMARIO

DAVID JOSEFOWITZ RECITAL HALL

The Academy is delighted to welcome back Italian guitar virtuoso Edoardo Catemario, whose many concerts and recordings have brought him international recognition.



TUES 5 MAR, 3PM ALISA WEILERSTEIN

DAVID JOSEFOWITZ RECITAL HALL

International soloist Alisa Weilerstein takes time out of her busy performing schedule to work with Academy cello students on core repertoire.



THURS 7 MAR, 10AM VERONIKA EBERLE

DAVID JOSEFOWITZ RECITAL HALL

German violinist Veronika Eberle gives her first masterclass at the Academy.



TUES 12 MAR, 3PM JONATHAN KELLY

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL

A masterclass with Jonathan Kelly, Principal Oboe of the Berlin Philharmonic and Visiting Professor of Oboe at the Academy.



MON 11 MAR, 2PM DONG-ILL SHIN

ST MARYLEBONE PARISH CHURCH

A masterclass with Dong-ill Shin, Head of Organ at Yonsei University, Seoul, and winner of the Grand Prix de Chartres. One of South Korea's leading musicians, he performs at prestigious venues and festivals worldwide.



THURS 14 MAR, 3PM SIMON KEENLYSIDE

ANGELA BURGESS RECITAL HALL

International baritone Simon Keenlyside enjoys an active career in opera and on the recital stage. He received a knighthood in the 2018 late Queen's Birthday Honours.

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