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RICHMOND MUSIC TRUST was established as a music education charity in April 1994. We provide a range of high quality musical and educational opportunities for the benefit of young people in and around the London Borough of Richmond.

Our provision includes instrumental and vocal tuition, groups and ensembles, large-scale projects and music therapy.

We also co-ordinate additional services to complement our practical activities, including curriculum support for classroom teachers, an instrumental loan scheme and a fee remission scheme.

This brochure gives information on the services that we offer and gives details on how to get involved in any of our activities.

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Instrumental and Vocal Tuition

EACH WEEK OUR TEAM of associate teachers visits over fifty schools in the borough of Richmond to deliver instrumental and vocal lessons. Pupils are usually taught in groups, and are given the opportunity to take practical and theory examinations. As part of the Trust's child protection policy all associate teachers are checked and receive enhanced clearance through the Criminal Records Bureau.

We recommend our Hands On events to help children decide which instrument they would like to learn. Hands On is designed to give children the chance to try out a wide range of instruments under the guidance of our team of experienced associate teachers. Details of forthcoming Hands On events are posted on the website.

To find out more visit

www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk/tuition.html



Music Centres

In addition to providing lessons in local primary and secondary schools, we also run two music centres every week where students receive tuition.

Our music centres also accommodate many of our group and ensemble rehearsals, and these attract young people from all areas of the borough and beyond. Members do not have to take tuition with us in order to participate in any of our groups. Both music centres give performances at the end of each term.

Both centres offer classes in Musicianship and Theory from beginner through to advanced level. These classes are also open to those who do not have instrumental lessons with us.

For more information visit

www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk/saturday.html or
www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk/midweek.html



Groups and Ensembles

RICHMOND MUSIC TRUST OFFERS a wide range of high quality groups and ensembles that cater for all instruments and levels of ability. These are open to all and members do not have to be receiving tuition with the Trust to take part.

The choice of groups and ensembles is such that we know that there will be something to suit everyone.

There are obvious benefits to joining an ensemble. Learning new skills, practising and performing with others of a similar ability adds an extra dimension to the weekly instrumental lesson. Many people also enjoy the social aspect of playing in a group and often stay friends with those in their ensemble for years to come.

To find out more visit

www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk/activities.html

STRING HOUR

ADVANCED BEGINNERS – GRADE 2

String Hour aims to develop performance skills through playing in an ensemble whilst focusing on the skills required for the ABRSM Grade 1 and 2 exams and the Music Medals scheme. String Hour is open to players of all string instruments. It is suitable for keen beginners who are eager to progress quickly and established players (up to grade 2) who want to develop their skills. Participation in String Hour also prepares students for joining a more advanced group such as the Richmond Youth Training Orchestra.

JUNIOR STRING ENSEMBLE

GRADES 1-3

A small, friendly group which is especially suitable for those with little or no ensemble experience, the Junior String Ensemble prepares players for joining more advanced groups. Pieces are specially written or arranged to suit the players.

MUSIC MAKERS

PRE-INSTRUMENTAL CLASSES FOR YEAR ONE CHILDREN AVAILABLE IN SELECTED SCHOOLS

This is a foundation course which prepares children for learning an instrument. Pupils are taught in small groups where they begin to acquire an understanding of basic music concepts and work on early ensemble skills. Classes involve developing aural skills, singing accuracy, and a practical experience of pulse, rhythm and other musical concepts using pitched and unpitched instruments. The children have great fun learning to play together whilst developing self-confidence and an enthusiasm for performing.

BEGINNER GUITAR ENSEMBLE

SUITABLE FOR THOSE WITH A MINIMUM OF HALF A TERM'S LESSONS UP TO GRADE 1

This group aims to support and develop the basic skills learnt by pupils in the early stages of their guitar tuition. Musicianship skills will be covered whilst learning repertoire appropriate for the level of the ensemble members.

CLASSICAL GUITAR ENSEMBLES

JUNIOR ENSEMBLE

GRADES 1–3

SENIOR ENSEMBLE

GRADE 4+

Exploring repertoire from Bach to the Beatles and working towards performances at the end of each term, the Junior and Senior Guitar Ensembles bring together guitar pupils from all over the borough.

WOODWIND STARTER GROUP

The Woodwind Starter Group is open to all woodwind instrumentalists including recorder players. It is suitable for keen beginners who are eager to progress quickly and established players (up to grade 2) who want to develop their skills. Participation in the Woodwind Starter Group also prepares students for joining a more advanced group such as the Richmond Youth Training Orchestra or the Junior Band.

RICHMOND JUNIOR CONCERT BAND

GRADES 1–3

Open to woodwind, brass and percussion players, the band provides an excellent foundation in ensemble playing and superb preparation for the Richmond Youth Concert Band.

BRASS ENSEMBLE

GRADE 2 AND ABOVE

An excellent opportunity for young players to develop basic skills in ensemble playing.

RICHMOND YOUTH TRAINING ORCHESTRA

GRADES 2–5

Open to orchestral musicians, the orchestra offers young players the opportunity to meet others of a similar standard whilst being challenged to progress with more advanced players. This orchestra also prepares members for the Richmond Youth Symphony Orchestra.

SATURDAY CENTRE WIND GROUP

The Wind Group is open to players of all orchestral wind instruments and saxophone* who are grade 2 and above. Players are taught for 1.5 hours per week, with 45 minutes as the Wind Group before going on to join in with the Richmond Youth Training Orchestra (RYTO) for the remaining 45 minutes of tuition. This enables players to experience both focused woodwind ensemble tuition and a more general orchestral rehearsal on a weekly basis.

*Please note that RYTO is not open to saxophonists but players are more than welcome to take part in the Wind Group for 45 minutes per week.

RICHMOND YOUTH JAZZ BAND **INTERMEDIATE STANDARD**

The band is open to all instrumentalists and includes many varied opportunities for public performance.

ROCK POP & JAZZ WORKSHOPS

AGE 11 AND ABOVE

All instruments & voice. The workshops cover group work, improvisation and performance.

RICHMOND YOUTH CONCERT BAND

GRADE 4 AND ABOVE

Open to woodwind, brass and percussion players. The concert band is great for players wishing to develop their ensemble skills. The band provides excellent opportunities for performance.

TRUMPET ENSEMBLE

GRADE 5 AND ABOVE

This is a specialist ensemble which aims to develop group performance skills.

RICHMOND YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

GRADE 5 AND ABOVE

Open to orchestral musicians, the symphony orchestra provides advanced orchestral training and excellent performance opportunities.

THEORY AND MUSICIANSHIP

GRADES 1-8

Classes include help with musicianship skills, aural tests, sight singing and preparation for exams.

PERCUSSION ENSEMBLES

GRADE 1-2 (YEARS 2-7)

GRADE 2-3

GRADE 3-4

GRADE 4 AND ABOVE

These groups provide young drummers and percussionists with the opportunity to perform on a wide range of instruments.

Ensembles are suitable for pupils who receive either drum kit tuition or percussion lessons. We will also consider entry from pupils who learn other instruments (eg pianists) who would like to be part of the percussion group experience.

RICHMOND VOICES

Open to those attending a Richmond secondary school or Richmond college and those teaching in one of the borough's primary or secondary schools.

Learn songs from popular, musical theatre, jazz and world music repertoire in a fun and informal atmosphere under the guidance of an experienced and enthusiastic vocal coach.

To find out more visit

www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk/activities.html



Performance Opportunities

DUE TO THE LARGE number of ensembles and groups that we run, performance opportunities are frequent and varied. Regular performances from all groups feature in our calendar of events, and many of our ensembles have built up impressive performance portfolios. Venues in recent years have included the Royal Albert Hall, Fairfield Hall, Southwark Cathedral and Richmond Theatre.

We also organise tours for members of the Richmond Youth Symphony Orchestra and the Richmond Youth Concert Band. The two groups tour together and so far have visited Italy, Prague, Catalonia and Lake Geneva.



Support for Schools

We offer advice on all aspects of music in the curriculum including the development of school music policies and the delivery of the national curriculum. This can be supported by school-based INSET.

We work with schools to establish and develop choirs and instrumental groups.

In line with the government's vision that part of the national curriculum for music at KS2 should be delivered by instrumental teachers working in partnership with class teachers, we offer Wider Opportunities programmes in strings, brass, woodwind, guitar, keyboard, percussion and voice.

Primary schools receive a termly newsletter which contains details of current activities and initiatives.

We work with the London Borough of Richmond to deliver termly training and information sessions for music coordinators and NQT's.

We work with the University of Surrey to support initial teacher training programmes.

We provide support for the composition and performance elements of the GCSE music syllabus.

For more information visit

www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk/curriculum.html



Music Therapy

We run both individual and group music therapy sessions in our fully equipped music therapy studio. Sessions are usually held on a weekly basis and last for 30–45 minutes as appropriate. Our facility is easily accessible by public transport, and we have parking facilities and full access for wheelchair users. A waiting/observation area is also available.

Our music therapy service contributes towards the wider understanding of the benefits of music therapy within the local area and provides information and advice to local organisations wishing to set up music therapy. By working alongside carers, parents, teachers and health professionals, we provide high quality music therapy to the local community which is accessible to all.

For more information please visit

www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk/whatweoffer.html

Outreach Service

We can also provide a music therapy service to interested organisations on an outreach basis. This usually involves individual and/or group sessions at their premises.

Music Therapy Workshops and Presentations

We offer music therapy workshops to organisations such as schools, hospitals, residential homes, multidisciplinary teams and others. These workshops target parents, carers and professionals who work within the field of health and education and aim to inform and raise awareness of music therapy. The workshops and presentations are an excellent way to discover how individuals can benefit from music therapy.



Festivals and Projects

We offer a range of events which provide new and exciting opportunities for young people.

THE SINGING

FESTIVAL is an annual non-competitive event which encourages, develops and celebrates singing. In the spring term schools take part in a series of regional workshops that culminate in a final concert day. Support for choirs, whether established or new, is always available.

THE INSTRUMENTAL

DAY takes place in the summer term and brings together primary school ensembles to rehearse and perform in a large venue under the direction of a professional conductor. The day culminates in a massed performance of a specially composed piece.

Our reputation for delivering consistently successful events often enables us to work with other organisations to provide additional musical opportunities on both a local and national scale.

For more information visit

www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk/festivals.html



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Financial Support

Fee Remission Scheme

With evidence that a child is in receipt of free school meals or that parents are in receipt of certain benefits as a result of their financial situation, the Trust will remit 70% of the fee. In exceptional cases of hardship the Trust will remit 100% of the fee subject to available resources.

Instrumental Loan Scheme

The Trust has a limited stock of instruments that it can loan for a termly fee. In the case of individuals qualifying for remission, the loan of an instrument is free of charge. Benefit from the scheme is subject to availability. The Trust is always seeking to extend the number of instruments it has at its disposal and any donations are welcome. Details will also be given to parents wishing to purchase an instrument.

For more information call 020 8538 3866
or email admin@richmondmusictrust.org.uk

How do I apply?

Starting tuition with us is easy and there are several ways to apply. The most important thing is to complete an application form. The flow chart will take you through the application process step by step.

Which instrument would your child like to learn?

Check our website for details of the instruments that are taught at your child's school
www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk/instruments.html

Alternatively, call us on 020 8538 3866



Complete an application form.

You can obtain a form by:

- calling us on 020 8538 3866
- asking at your school office

Alternatively you can APPLY ONLINE at
www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk/apply.html



If applying by post, return your form to us;
see page 23 for address.

The Trust will place your child's name onto the waiting list for your chosen instrument or ensemble.

You will be contacted by the Trust as soon as a group is available for your child to join.

Contact Us

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We also have an online contact form at

www.richmondmusictrust.org.uk/contactus.html

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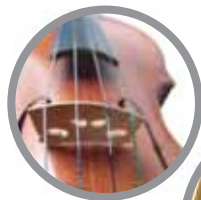


THE UK'S NO.1 FOR MUSICAL INSTRUMENT RENTALS

When you start your musical career, you need all the help you can get. Our specialist team can provide you with help and expert advice on all aspects of instrument selection and playing music.

Our low cost rental scheme (from as little as **£5 per month**) enables you to hire any instrument for as long as you like, before you decide to buy.

We also sell, buy, part-exchange and repair (free loan instrument supplied). Choose from a vast range of instruments, accessories and sheet music. We are dedicated to giving you the very best value and service.



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