

SUMMER CONCERT ROCKS THE STABLES GALLERY



DOMINIC BROWN PERFORMS WITH THE ROCK BAND

Visitors to the Orleans House Gallery on the 27th May were treated to an open-air concert in glorious sunshine. Our first ever Summer Concert was held in the courtyard of the Stables Gallery, situated in the grounds of Orleans House. The audience watched performances by the Whitton Area Starters Orchestra, the Richmond Junior Concert Band, Senior and Junior Guitar Ensembles, Heyoke, the Jazz Band and the Rock Band. The guitar ensembles were lucky enough to be able to perform in the beautiful Octagon Room, which provided the perfect acoustic for the groups. For more photos of the Summer Concert, please see our photo sheet.

INSTRUMENTAL FESTIVAL GROWS INTO ITS THIRD YEAR

Building on the success of our annual Singing Festival, the third Instrumental Festival took place in June. The popularity of the event has grown so much that this year we needed two venues to accommodate the school ensembles taking part. Over 250 young instrumentalists from eleven primary and secondary schools came together at Teddington and Waldegrave Schools. Each school played a short individual programme and all the players rehearsed a new piece together under the expert baton of conductor and composer Peter Currie. This year's piece, the "Teddington Tango", was written especially for the festival. Each event culminated in a rousing performance. The experience of working with a professional conductor and playing in a very large orchestra was both exciting and inspiring for players and teachers. Next year we plan to widen the festival to include more instrumentalists from both primary and secondary schools.

HANDS ON at the LANDMARK

On the 10th June, more than one hundred visitors came to the Landmark Centre to try out our instruments. There was a selection of brass, woodwind, string and percussion instruments to try. Our experienced team of teachers, who were able to demonstrate how to get a basic sound out of the instruments, helped visitors. The noise was phenomenal! ABC Music were also present to give advice on their rental schemes and hire costs. Many of the visitors left with application forms, inspired to take up tuition as soon as possible. We hope to run more Hands On Events in the next academic year, so if you missed this one, don't worry, there will be another chance to get involved next time.

TERM DATES 2004-2005

Autumn Term

6.9.04 - 17.12.04
Half Term wk 25.10.04

Spring Term

4.1.05 – 24.3.05
Half Term wk 14.2.05

Summer Term

11.4.05 – 22.7.05
Half Term wk 30.5.05

TEACHING WEEKS 2004-2005

Autumn Term

Week 1 20.9.04
Week 11 6.12.04

Spring Term

Week 1 10.1.05
Week 8 7.3.05

Summer Term

Week 1 18.4.05
Week 11 4.7.05

START DATES

Sat. Centre/
Training Orchestra
18.9.04

Mid Week Centre/
RJCB
22.9.04

RYSO
21.9.04

WASO
21.9.04

St. Edmunds Twilight
21.9.04

RYCB
22.9.04

St. Elizabeths
Guitars
22.9.04

EXAM DEADLINES and DATES

We will be running
ABRSM Practical and
Theory sessions in the
Autumn Term 2004.
Please note that
applications received
after the deadlines below
will not be entered.

Theory

Deadline 1.10.04
Exam 3.11.04

Practical

Deadline 22.10.04
Exams 13-15.12.04

APPLICATIONS DEADLINE

Please ensure that
applications for tuition
starting in the Spring Term
2005 reach us by
22.10.04.

INSTRUMENT HIRE

We now have on offer a
large selection of good
quality instruments in a
range of sizes available
for immediate hire.

Rental costs range from
£29 to £36 per term. If
you are interested in
hiring an instrument or
require more information,
please contact Caroline
Peirson at the Trust:
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Full Size Cello.
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RECRUITMENT DRIVE SUCCESS

Music lessons at St.
Mary's CE Primary
school are thriving as
a result of recent
efforts by RMT staff
which were
supported by parents
at the school. Team
manager Keith
Marshall and
woodwind teacher
Dawn Wren visited
the school and
performed pieces on
the saxophone,
clarinet and flute for
the children so that
they could see and
hear the different
instruments. One
parent helped us by
organising a list of
children who had
expressed an
interest in learning
an instrument. The
school now offers a
wide range of
instruments,
including some from
the woodwind, string,
and brass families.
If you feel that your
child's school could
benefit from a similar
recruitment drive and
you would be willing
to support our staff
by promoting the
benefits of
instrumental lessons
to other parents,
please contact Peter
Currie at the Trust.