

Advanced Academy 2019-20



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Advanced Academy

for gifted, talented and promising young musicians across Berkshire

Berkshire Maestros Advanced Academy is an opportunity for advanced instrumentalists of Grade 6+ from all disciplines to come together to expand their musical horizons and develop their musicianship through a variety of courses, masterclasses, performance opportunities and coaching sessions.

Early Music Chamber Groups

Saturday 14 December 2019 2.00pm – 6.00pm, and Sunday 15 December 2019 10.00am – 5.00pm

A fantastic opportunity for senior students to explore new styles of music from the Renaissance through to early Classical music. Develop your skills as a chamber musician through interactive rehearsals, coaching workshops and performance classes with visiting professional players.

Bespoke chamber music groups will be created to suit your needs and to provide an opportunity for collaboration with instrumentalists from different disciplines. You will learn about style, balance, phrasing and articulation to help you present an historically informed performance.

Aural Skills for Grades 6 – 8

Sunday 9 February 2020 10.00am – 5.00pm

This intensive workshop will help you to develop skills specific to the aural section of the higher grades. You will learn how to identify time signatures, melodic intervals, cadences and modulations, and how to discern the style and period of a piece of music. You will also improve your sight-singing.

Not only will this help you to achieve higher marks in your grades, these skills are also relevant to the listening aspects of GCSE and A-Level Music and are vital skills for developing the all-round musician.

There will also be an opportunity during the day to get together in instrument groups and work on instrument specific technique with specialist tutors.

The Art of a Successful Audition

Sunday 26 April 2020 10.00am – 5.00pm

Auditions and exams can be stressful! You will look at what it takes to audition and perform successfully despite those nerves. Learn top tips on exam and audition preparation, managing anxiety and how to present yourself well in front of a panel. This will give you an opportunity to improve your performance skills.

You will also look at instrument specific skills for successful auditions including sight-reading, transposition, orchestral excerpts, accompanying skills and set works.

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