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Sir Richard Stilgoe



Our students and Brazilian Artists in Residence after their fantastic performance at the Speaker's House in the House of Commons.

A MESSAGE FROM THE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR - SAHANA GERO

What a fantastic start for the World Heart Beat Music Academy in 2015! I am really pleased with the development of the Academy since last year and would like to thank everybody so much for your involvement. You have all made the Academy a real community for musicians and a place where anyone can come and learn to be a musician. We have had amazing concerts, projects and the spirit and collaboration with the visiting Brazilian artists has been an inspiration to everybody. Our students were also performing in Rome in January, at the Speaker's House in February, in Wimbledon and the Brazilian embassy in March and that's just to name a few! We have loved working with all the musicians that come to visit the Academy and offer our immense gratitude to every opportunity that comes our way. We hope you enjoy catching up on all our news. We are always eager to expand our horizons, and bring great opportunities to our young artists.



Group Lessons:
Saturdays
11:30 to 12 (ages 5-6)
12 to 12:30 (ages 7-9)
12:30 to 1 (ages 10-11)
1 to 1:30 (ages 12+)
Individual Lessons in Classical violin available.
Other violin lessons are also available on Wednesdays and Fridays.

GYPSY VIOLIN AT THE WORLD HEART BEAT MUSIC ACADEMY

The World Heart Beat Music Academy would like to invite you to our Gypsy Violin lessons.
Laci Olah, who hails from Hungary, is the 7th generation of musicians in his family. Learn violin both by ear and from music, with focus on good rhythm, bowing and intonation.



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MONDAY

Vocal
Guitar
Jazz
Saxophone

TUESDAY

Piano
Composition
Vocal
Tabla

The Stardust People Choir

WEDNESDAY

Composition
Celtic Fiddle
Piano
Clarinet & Flute
Grade 5 Theory

THURSDAY

51st State Band
French Horn
Saxophone
Trumpet
Trombone
Baritone
Clarinet

FRIDAY

The Little School of Music
Reggae School
Drums
Arts Award
Violin
Bass Guitar

SATURDAY

Piano
Composition
Violin
Gypsy Music School

BRAZILIAN MUSIC BECOMES PART OF WORLD HEART BEAT

During last term, we were fortunate to welcome four amazing Brazilian artists who have been staying with us on an artistic residency. This is part of an initiative of the British Council and the Brazilian Ministry of Culture, aimed at linking the UK with Brazil in the lead-up to the 2016 Olympic games. We have truly enjoyed being a part of this project.

Our students have learned a variety of Brazilian music styles such as Choro, Samba, Bossa Nova and Brazilian Folk. They have also been learning Brazilian percussion and singing in Portuguese. The atmosphere the Brazilian musicians brought with them has been fantastic and joyful. We have made a very close connection with Brazilian music and it will remain a permanent feature at World Heart Beat.

"I liked that I got to sing in a different language and they said that I sounded so Brazilian, I belonged in their family!"



MEET THE ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE...



Almir Pessoa is a renowned Brazilian artist from Goiás in central Brazil. He is most famous for his work with the Viola Caipira, a ten stringed guitar. He has released 5 albums, performed at country music festivals and plays to audiences of over 70,000 people.



Pepe Barcellos specializes in Samba music amongst other Brazilian styles. He has taught Brazilian music in the UK and America and is known as a music lecturer at the British school in Rio where he has over 400 students. His latest album, *Brazil on the Rocks* features classic rock songs with a Brazilian twist.



Cibele Palopoli is a flautist from Sao Paulo. She specializes in playing Choro (the father of samba music). As well as performing with the University of Sao Paulo Choro group and her own band, Ôctôctô, she has also presented academic articles on Choro in Brazil, Scotland, Ireland, Lithuania, and Portugal.



Thiago Carvalhaes is a documentary filmmaker whose work spans across a variety of projects. He has experience in all aspects of film production and has won a number of awards including the 2012 Young Cultural Agent Prize from the Brazilian Ministry of Culture for his project 'Rainforest Voices'.

THE SPEAKER'S HOUSE CONCERT

On 26th February, we were invited to perform at the Speaker's House in the House of Commons. After only two weeks of rehearsing together, the Brazilian artists and students delivered a stunning and uplifting performance in one of the most prestigious places in the UK.

We are immensely grateful to The Speaker of the House of Commons, The Right Honourable John Bercow and Baroness Floella Benjamin for the invitation and hosting the beautiful event. We would also like to say a huge thank you to Nathan Dawkins (11) for his heartwarming speech about what music means to him, and to all of the students who worked so hard and played so well.

"It was such a magnificent and extremely prestigious venue with wonderful joyful music. All the musicians genuinely showed the amazing power of cultural, racial and social fusing."



Nathan Dawkins (left) and Jaidon Farodoye (right).

MORE BRAZILIAN EXPERIENCES



Our students with Peter Brook (Chairman of the Wimbledon All England Lawn Tennis Club) after their performance at the home of tennis.



The Brazilian Ambassador invited our students to perform at the Brazilian Embassy where they played to an audience of over 200 guests.



As part of this programme, we took Brazilian music into local schools, teaching over 2000 schoolchildren across Wandsworth. The classes were so vibrant and full of life.

"The young pupils at the schools were a joy to teach, this is why I do what I do – I love bringing joy into the lives of young people!" – Pepe Barcellos

"The work that the Academy is doing is very important and beautiful!" – Almir Pessoa



Filmmaker in Residence, Thiago, has been filming all the musicians at World Heart Beat for a documentary about music as a universal language. This documentary will be sent out to arts festivals across the globe.

WANDSWORTH RADIO

Since January 2015, our students and interns have been producing on Wandsworth Radio Station. Last week was a New York themed show and next week will be a Jazz special, hosted by Ava Joseph (14) and Wilf Cameron-Marples (15). The students at the Academy have taken courses in radio producing and presenting and are now presenting the show each week and inviting younger students to come in as guests.

"I wanted to congratulate you for a wonderful show yesterday. It was brilliant with well thought out content, guests and interesting music from around the world and discussion of what the academy is up to. The audience figures also show the highest figure the station has had since our launch night on 12th January." – Jason Rosam, Director of Wandsworth Radio

"My grandparents in Lithuania are really enjoying listening to World Heart Beat Hour, especially when I play Lithuanian songs!" – Milda Paulauskaite (WHB Presenter, pictured on the right with Imogen and Selena, an 8 year-old guest)

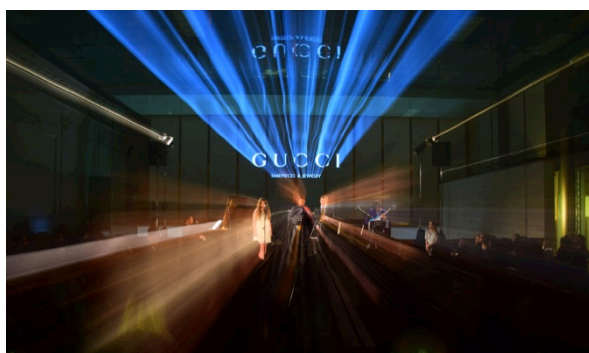
World Heart Beat Hour is on Sunday evenings from 5-6pm. Wandsworth Radio station is internet based so you can listen to it anywhere in the world on www.wandsworthradio.com/listen, or check out our podcasts on Facebook and Twitter if you miss it. You can also tweet us to request your favourite songs!



OUR GUCCI TIMEPIECES AND JEWELLERY SCHOLARS

In January, seven of our Gucci Timepieces and Jewellery scholars flew out to Rome to perform with Italian composer, Maestro Nicola Piovani, who has written scores for over 130 films. The students played songs from the film *La Vita e Bella* (*Life is Beautiful*), which won the Oscar for best original score in 1998. They also performed a dinner set to 200 eminent guests of Gucci at the famous venue Open Collona.

"Thank you to the young artists for the beautiful experience and the beautiful evening and we hope to see you again soon. A great hug." – Nicola Piovani



GUCCI SCHOLARS 2015

Congratulations to this year's Gucci Timepieces and Jewellery scholars who have been working hard preparing their audition videos for a chance to be selected to go to Grammy Camp in LA.

Karen Shiraishi (16) - Pianist/Singer
Yannis Hannachi (17) - Electronic Music Production
Omar Ambass (16) - Saxophone/Electric Cello
Carla Flores (17) - Violin/Singer
Leah Wing (16) - Flautist
Jordan Hadfield (17) - Drummer
Lizzie Rochester (18) - Singer
Eluzai Ajie (18) - Bass Guitar
Mebrakh Johnson (16) - Saxophone/Clarinet
Rachel Dyer (18) - Singer



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Achievement award winners Ezekiel, Renato, Sian and Quinn posing outside the Coliseum with the Gucci watches they were awarded.

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

These awards are an initiative of Gucci Timepieces and Jewellery to acknowledge the extra qualities and support that their scholars bring to the World Heart Beat Music Academy.

Heart and Soul Award - Sian Kelly

Sian lights up the room with her cheerfulness and enthusiasm and her charisma on stage is bound with her passion, beautiful voice and soul in her music. Sian is warm and engaging with visitors to the academy and is always willing to work tirelessly and help out. She is inspirational and extremely supportive of her fellow students.

Commitment and Dedication Award - Ezekiel Ajie

Ezekiel started coming to Reggae school at the academy when he was 17. It was at this time that Ezekiel started playing the bass and has already performed in 15 concerts at the Academy. Ezekiel takes days off work just to help set up for the Academy's events and concerts and accompany on bass guitar. To top it off he is also a great cook and baker and makes cakes for important Academy guests!

Outstanding Student of the Year Award - Renato Paris

Renato is versatile and talented and an all around musician – as well as playing piano and being a singer/songwriter, he plays guitar, bass guitar and drums. In 2013 Renato came to help and musically support the other students with their Grammy Camp Video Profiles, despite not being part of the fund at the time. Renato now teaches at the academy. He was selected by the Grammy committee to fly to LA and attend the prestigious Grammy Camp in 2014 where he became the featured student.

Life Is Music Award - Mansur Brown

When you watch Mansur play you can almost see him merging into the music. He is always either listening to or playing music and has been known to go without food or sleep rather than stop playing and practising. Mansur said that his first beach holiday ever was the worst time of his life because he couldn't take his guitar or play his music. Mansur always oozes cool and style. His dream is to be a music legend and is always searching and striving for ways to be better. He has been known to boldly walk up to music legends and ask 'So how do you become the best musician in the world?'

Outstanding Achievement & Long Service Award - Quinn Oulton

Quinn has grown up with the 51st State Band and World Heart Beat since he was 8 years old and passed his Grade 8 in Jazz Saxophone with distinction by the age of 11. Around this time, he formed his own band with friends and spent a great deal of his personal time in the academy practicing. As well as playing Saxophone he can turn his hand to most instruments including the guitar and drums. Quinn was also chosen to attend Grammy Camp in LA 2013. He now teaches at the World Heart Beat Music Academy every Friday helps to support and mentor younger students.

THE 51st STATE BAND IN CONCERT

Last term the 51st State Band performed two concerts to packed auditoriums at Putney Arts Theatre, hosted by our great friend and honorary patron Julian Joseph with special guest Sir Richard Stilgoe. It really was a fantastic event, and we are already preparing for the next one with a brand new programme of music.

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All of the students performed fantastically and I really enjoyed all of the arrangements. It was a wonderful evening! – Rebecca Redfern (Music Manager, HDMT)



JACK PETCHEY AWARDS

We are very grateful to the Jack Petchey foundation who enable us to reward our most dedicated students. Congratulations to Isabel Leggatt, Arianne Tan, Lucas Clahar (pictured, left to right) Killian Watkins and Tom Sutcliffe for their Achievement Awards.



JOE MACARI SCHOLARSHIPS

We have been given five scholarships by Joe Macari performance cars. This partnership has given our students performance opportunities at high profile events in the Joe Macari showroom and at Joe's private parties.



THE STARDUST PEOPLE CHOIR

The Stardust People Choir is now sponsored by the well-known record label Domino Records. This completely unique Jazz Improvising choir is open to all ages and abilities and rehearses on Tuesday nights from 7-9pm. There is a concert coming up on May 12th, it would be wonderful to see you all there!

Email us on info@worldheartbeat.org to find out how you can join the Stardust People Choir.

GLOBAL GIVING

The World Heart Beat Music Academy would like to say another big thank you to all of our supporters and Global Giving donatees. This project enables children to learn a musical instrument and has started tremendously, with over £5300 donated to date.

Your contributions have enabled us to give one full bursary to Milda who is now having guitar lessons and vocal coaching as well as hosting the radio show. Milda is also taking part in our Brazilian music programme. She has started mentoring younger students and is taking a Gold Arts Award.



Ava Joseph and Milda, playing the Brazilian Cavaquinho at our recent concert at the Brazilian embassy.

Your kind donations through Global Giving have provided a further 12 children the opportunity to learn the violin for a year. Recently we were also donated 41 violins by the 'Don't Stop The Music' campaign. With this generosity we are now able to offer more violin classes on Friday and Saturday.



GOLD ARTS AWARD

Our Bronze and Silver Arts Awards have been so successful that we are now running the Gold Arts Award too. This is a personal development and arts leadership qualification worth 35 UCAS points and can be used to build a professional portfolio of work to show to future employers.

Email us on info@worldheartbeat.org to find out how you can apply to take an Arts Award.

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WALL OF FAME:

We were honored to welcome Steve Rubie to World Heart Beat Music Academy.

Steve is an accomplished musician and owner of the 606 Jazz Club in Chelsea, one of the most popular and distinguished Jazz venues in Europe. The 606 is the home of British Jazz and has hosted all of the top British legends.

Steve hosted a charity event in aid of World Heart Beat at the 606 and it was a wonderful evening. Thank you.



We want to say a huge thank you for these fantastic Bass Amps from Mark Bass. The students were so excited to see these amps arrive in the Academy, even after one night they were inspired to play to new heights! They have made a huge difference to the sound for our concerts too.



Liberty Drums excel at crafting well-made acoustic resonant shells using skillful techniques. They generously donated us this beautiful drum kit, which has enabled us to offer even more new drum classes, which have proven to be very popular.



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