

News

Welcome to Norfolk Music Hub's newsletter.

As Creative Director of The Wharf Music Academy, I'm always thrilled to be involved in projects led by Norfolk Music Hub and value very much the working partnership that we have created. This year sees the Showstoppers project at the Royal Norfolk Show, a "Choir of a Thousand" which will offer a once in a lifetime opportunity for young people and community choirs to sing a specially commissioned piece during this year's show. An ambitious, exciting and worthwhile project that will aim to kick start singing in our County, working on this project alongside the Norfolk Music Hub and the Young Norfolk Arts Trust has been a real joy.

As part of the Hub's singing strategy, we have been leading a project entitled 'Norfolk Voices' which aims to build a network of vocal leaders in school. Please do find us on Facebook and Twitter (@Norfolk_Voices) to gain access to regular insights into vocal leading and to find out about vocal and training opportunities in Norfolk.

The students we teach at The Wharf and in our partner schools are creating some fantastic work as musicians and vocalists. However, this newsletter shows how many opportunities are available to them outside of their usual learning environment. Engaging in these wider opportunities allows our young musicians to develop further, both musically and personally, making musical memories and friends along the way!

Do spread the word of these great events happening in our County!

Samantha Coe

Creative Director, The Wharf



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Spring 2017 Norfolk Music Hub News

Opportunities at The Garage

Royal Norfolk Show Opportunity for Bands, Solo Artists, Schools & Music Groups

Summer 2017 sees the return of The Garage and YNAF to the Royal Norfolk Show - programming 2 exciting days of music performances by young people from across the County. We are looking for upcoming bands, musicians, vocalists and performance poets to entertain audiences in our newly named area called 'The Green'.

We are also looking for schools to apply for the opportunity to take to the stage. Previous performers include the students from Seething & Mundham Primary School, Norwich School's Dance Department, Ormiston Victory Academy's Performing Arts Department and the Jazz Band from Old Buckenham High School. If you are interested in performing on The Garage/YNAF stage, do get in touch at takepart@thegarage.org.uk. Deadline for applicants is 15 May.



Learn how to strum, pick and make chords in this 6 week beginners Ukulele course. Together, we'll play well known songs and make up our own too. Suitable for beginners we can provide ukes until you get your own.

Classes run Mondays starting from 20 February 2017: Ages 9-11 (School years 5&6), 5.45-6.30pm

Bookings: 01603 283382 Youth Music

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professional skills – it's a formula that works really well."

Auditions: Musicians Development Programme (Improver Group)



The Garage is holding auditions for singers and musicians, aged 13 – 18, to join the Musicians Development Programme (Improver Group). We are looking for young people who can play an instrument and/or sing. The programme is suitable for those who would like to improve their performances skills and who have aspirations to perform at gigs. Individuals need to be prepared to learn as part of a band and as solo artists.

Those accepted on to the programme will meet at The Garage each Monday from 5.30pm-7.30pm. Singers will work with professional vocalist Clare Kidman on vocal technique, range and develop the voice through a variety of songs and styles. Musicians will work under the guidance of professional musician/songwriter Pete Murdoch, learning how to play and improvise with others, develop individual style, write and perform songs. Singers and musicians will come together each week to develop work for small-scale performances throughout the year to build confidence and professional skills.

Carrie Mansfield, Creative Director, said "We have had much success with our Musicians Development Programme Intermediate level over the last 3 years and have introduced a new Improver level to give more aspiring young musicians the opportunity to develop. With art subjects being squeezed out of school curriculums, it is vital that we continue to create opportunities for young people to engage in music and performance. The programme gives participants the chance to learn from experienced, working musicians whilst preparing music for performance to help build

Termly fees apply (£82.50 10 week term/£99 12 week term). The Garage have a limited number of bursary places that can be applied for if needed so that participation is not restricted by affordability.

If you would like to audition for the programme, please call 01603 283382. For the audition you will need to prepare 2 pieces that demonstrate your singing/music skills. Auditions will last approximately 20 minutes; giving you a chance to ask questions about the programme and discuss its suitability with the tutors.

Royal Norfolk Show













Raise your voice for Norfolk's largest mass choir!

Norfolk is launching its most adventurous choir project to date - **Showstoppers**, a county-wide mass choir project to create an unforgettable experience for singers of all ages to perform in the Grand Ring at this year's Royal Norfolk Show, led by choirmaster **Mark De Lisser** (BBC 1 'The Voice UK', BBC 2 'The Choir').

Under the leadership of the Norfolk Music Hub, in partnership with The Wharf Academy and Young Norfolk Arts Trust, a choir of a thousand will be assembled from all parts of Norfolk, bringing together school choirs and community choirs. This mass choir, Showstoppers, will perform a specially commissioned piece of music at this year's Royal Norfolk Show, composed by Cheryl Frances-Hoad, one of the UK's leading contemporary composers. The piece will have strong connections to Norfolk and its rural landscape with a text written exclusively for the Show by local librettist Molly Naylor and will focus on the earth, agriculture, and all that our beautiful County has offer.

It is envisaged that the 'choir of a thousand' will consist of two-thirds school children and one-third adult community choirs.

"The staging of this project is a turning point for musical education in Norfolk and will allow us to forge relationships and strengthen partnerships for future sustainability," says Alison Corfield from Norfolk Music Hub.

"Showstoppers will provide a unique opportunity for one thousand youngsters and adult singers to come together for an unforgettable experience and will leave a lasting legacy to inspire and inform future events. Through a specially commissioned report in early 2016, it was identified that music making in Norfolk needed more joined up thinking, meaningful partnership working, an increased level of participation and have a greater impact upon communities."

To be part of this unique opportunity and to perform at this year's Royal Norfolk Show please visit norfolkmusichub.org.uk/showstoppers.

There is no age restriction, however individuals under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. See the FAQs online for further information.

READ MORE AND REGISTER AT:

norfolkmusichub.org.uk/showstoppers

Forthcoming events this term:



Tuesday 21, 09.30 - 16.00 Flegg High School **Musical Futures: Just**

Play workshop day

Tuesday 21, 16.00 - 17.00 Springwood High School **King's Lynn Music Forum meeting** (see page 7)

Wednesday 22, 09.30 - 16.00 Norwich Professional Development Centre Musical Futures: Composing & Improvising CPD

Monday 27 - Thursday 9 March **Norfolk County Music Festival** (see page 7)

Monday 27, 20.00 - 22.00
The Coach and Horses, Bethel
Street, Norwich
Norfolk Music Hubbub
Meetup with Paul Burrows,
Regional Officer MU, and live
music - a chance for informal
networking for musicians
Email interest to

xenia.horne@norfolkadvisory.com

Saturday 4, 10.00 - 14.00 City of Norwich School Brass Workshop



Brass Workshop with Guildhall School

Register via ncym.co.uk

Saturday 4, 10.00 - 14.30 Norwich Professional Development Centre **Celebration of Young Strings Workshop**

Download application forms via norfolkmusichub.org.uk

Thursday 9 March,

Dunston Hall
Norfolk Music Hub Expo
Register via norfolk-music-hubexpo.eventbrite.co.uk



Norfolk County Youth Orchestra is celebrating!

Alumni Reunion Concert - Thursday 6 April

St Andrew's Hall, Norwich 7.30pm
Mahler Symphony No 1 & Mendelssohn Violin Concerto

Julia Hwang (BBC Young Musician String Finalist) - violin
Andrew Morley - conductor

Calling all ex-members of the Norfolk Youth Orchestra. Whether you were a member recently, 60 years ago, or anywhere in-between from Wymondham days, we would like to invite you to join us for (and perhaps take part in) a special concert to celebrate the many years of wonderful music making in Norfolk by young and old. The main work in the programme is Mahler's Symphony No. 1 'The Titan' performed by the NCYO and invited alumni.

- **5.30** Pre-concert Reception provided by the Friends of NCYO at St Andrew's Hall for past members and tutors please bring any old photos and programmes to share.
 - **7.30** Concert Tickets £10, £6 concessions, available from St George's Music Shop, Norwich, and on the door.
 - · Bar open at the Halls until 11pm

And if you can't make it please do send us a message we can share – we and all your former colleagues would love to hear from you.

For further information please go to norfolkmusichub.org.uk/norfolk-county-youth-orchestra-celebration-concert

You can also visit our Facebook event page where you can register interest, contact us, and see who else will be coming. We look forward to welcoming you on 6 April and sharing lots of memories!

Routes Into Teaching - Friday 7 April

A one-day workshop being held at The Garage, Norwich, for musicians interested in developing a career in inclusive, large-group teaching. It aims to raise awareness of the variety of teaching opportunities available within music services and to help services recruit a diverse group of versatile tutors.

The training includes:

- Participatory sessions about leading inclusive music sessions with large groups of children and young people
- Ideas for warm ups & behavior management tips from experienced workshop leaders
- Information on further training and teaching opportunities with music services
- Advice on writing CVs and how to succeed in interviews
- Information on how music is being used in schools to support pupil wellbeing and attainment

ROUTES INTO TEACHING - The Garage, Norwich - 7th April

10.00-10.30am: Arrival coffee and questions

10.30-11.00am: Musical heroes exercise- why and how do we learn music? Is there more than one way to teach music?

11.00-11.30am: Hockets (Demonstration of group music teaching-Practical)

11.30-12.15pm: Panel: Music service, Music Hub partners,

- · What skills do I need to apply to a music service or partner organisation?
- · What opportunities exist?
- · What is the Certificate for Music Educators? Are there other opportunities for training?

12.15-1pm: CV writing, presenting your experience, developing your practice.

LUNCH

1.45-2.15pm: Developing and sharing repertoire (Practical)

2.15-3.15pm: Panel and tea break (3pm). Panel of other employers or interested organisations

- · The sector
- · The portfolio career and how to have one
- 3.15-3.30pm: Songwriter-talking about progression
- 3.30-4.00pm: Your questions answered
- 4.00pm: Plenary and close.

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Forthcoming events continued:

Saturday 4, 19.30 Sheringham Little Theatre Sinfonia Viva:

Weber, Suite from Der Freischutz

Mendelssohn, A Midsummer Night's Dream (with narration by Simon Hollingworth)

Promoted by North Norfolk District Council in association with Orchestras Live.

Friday 10, 20.00 Norwich Arts Centre, **Sonic Youths #ICYMI 1**

Tuesday 14 - Thursday 16 Epic Studios, Norwich CASMA

Sunday 19, 10.00 - 17.00 Springwood High School, King's Lynn Music For Youth Regional Festival

Saturday 25, 10.00 - 17.00 Snape Maltings, Aldeburgh Music For Youth Regional Festival

Thursday 30, 14.00 Drill House, Great Yarmouth **Snappy Operas performance**



Wednesday 5, Times tbc The Garage **Community**

Music Scratch Night

Thursday 6, 19.30 St Andrew's Hall **NCYO Concert**

Thursday 6, 20.00 Norwich Arts Centre **Sonic Youths #ICYMI 2**

Friday 7, 10.00 - 16.00 The Garage **Routes Into Teaching**

See more forthcoming events on our online calendar

Projects & Opportunities

Community Music

Coordinators

Carl Cole and Xenia Horne of AndAction are delighted to be working as the Community Music Coordinator Team, a new role within Norfolk Music Hub. Their remit is to create connections across the county to ensure that young people can access a wide variety of music making activities and develop new performance opportunities working with arts organisations and venues. New projects are already underway with the launch of two new singing groups at Avocet House and Runcton Holme schools, rock band workshops at Aylsham and Fakenham Youth Clubs. Carl and Xenia are also co-curating an exciting programme of young performers at the Norfolk Music Hub Expo event on the evening of Thursday 9 March at Dunston Hall. Plans are well underway for a gathering with the MU Regional Officer and local musicians on 27 February. A Scratch Night and Pizza Event at the Garage on 5 April is in the pipeline, which will be a chance for young people from across the county to play music, and talk about music making opportunities and activities that they would like to see happening in the near future. To get in touch with the Community Music Team, contact: xenia.horne@norfolkadvisory.com carl.cole@norfolkadvisory.com



deliver a second year of The Home Studio Project.

Music leaders from Laboratory Media Education will visit schools and deliver whole class lessons on how to make music using free online software.

Children will learn skills that will enable them to:

- Compose music at school and at home
- Embed and expand on current music curriculum topics Year 6 will develop skills to help with transition to high school

Staff will be trained in use of the software and resources will be available to support future lessons. No software will be downloaded onto the school system.

Launch of Sonic

Youths #ICYMI

Sonic Youths, Norwich Arts Centre's

musicians aged 14-19, is launching

pay-what-you-can evening events

showcasing emerging talent of any

Featuring live music and DJs, Sonic

Youths' #ICYMI series starts on

home show for Maya Law and

first ever tour. The sultry socio-

collaborating with a super-slick

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young lyricists and vocalists

beat-maker beckon...

Friday 10 March with a welcome

Allergy Kid, hot on the heels of their

political sounds of one the UK's best

development programme for

to celebrate its fourth year

Great Yarmouth Music Week

The Great Yarmouth Music Forum has many exciting plans for activities in 2017, including the Great Yarmouth Music Week, which is happening in May half-term (30 May - 1 June) at Caister High School, East Norfolk Sixth Form College, Gorleston, and the Drill House, Great Yarmouth. Activities include Glee Club, Songwriting, Samba, Rock Clinic, iPad Orchestra and Beatboxing. Full timetable to be posted on our website.



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This is a limited offer on a first come first served basis.



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Opportunity at Lord Mayor's Celebration

Norwich City Council is programming performances at the 'Lost River' area (Westlegate) as part of the Lord Mayor's Celebration on 8 July. This is a great opportunity to showcase young musicians and to be part of something big! The cultural and events team, who organise the Lord Mayor's Celebration, are working with Young Norfolk Arts Trust and Norfolk Music Hub in the call out for young musicians to perform original songs throughout the afternoon, based on a water-based theme. Initial applications to be sent to enquiries@ynaf.org.uk

Music Forums

Following the continued success of the Great Yarmouth Music Forum (part of Great Yarmouth Cultural Education Partnership), Norfolk Music Hub is creating another Music Forum in King's Lynn.

The first meeting is at Springwood High School on Tuesday 21 February, 4 - 5pm.

All who have a keen interest in music education in the area are welcome. The Great Yarmouth Music Forum have programmed a wealth of music activity in the area and are beginning to really make a difference in tackling issues and needs in music education, so it is hoped the same will be applied to King's Lynn area.

Norfolk County Music Festival

Around 4000 musicians, singers and performers are preparing for the annual Norfolk County Music Festival, which will take place in various locations throughout Norwich from **27 Feb to 9 March**.

From classical piano and strings through to samba percussion, jazz, funk, school choirs, guitars and ukulele orchestras – the Festival offers some of the most diverse entertainment in the region.

Tickets to each show cost £3 per adult (free for under 18's). There's no need to book, just turn up.

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National Teachers' Choir

The National Teachers' Choir is growing its presence in the East of England and held successful workshops with children and teachers at Edward Worlledge Primary School, Great Yarmouth, in January. Their end-of-summerterm course is being held at Snape Maltings on 22 & 23 July where you can join in with other teachers from around the country. It doesn't matter how experienced or confident you are as a singer, you will be supported to develop musically and vocally, and also provided with ideas and repertoire to take back into school. There are already several teachers and staff from Norfolk who have signed up and will be travelling together. If anyone else is interested, please contact alison.corfield@educatorsolutions.

nationalteacherschoir.org.uk

Week 1

Monday 27 Feb - 1 March, **Pianos** (United Reformed Church) 9.00am - 9.00pm

Monday 27 Feb, **Wind Ensembles & Bands** (Salvation Army Citadel) 6.00 – 9.00pm

Wednesday 1 March, **Woodwind** (Central Baptist Church) 9.30 – 5.30pm

Wednesday 1 March, **Percussion** (CNS, Arc) 6.00 – 7.00pm

Thursday 2 March, Jazz/ Pop/ Rock/ Orchestras/ Brass (CNS, Arc) 6.00 – 9.00pm

Thursday 2 March, **Guitars** (St Francis of Assisi School) 6.30 – 7.30pm

Friday 3 March, **Whole Class Ensemble Tuition** (Central Baptist Church) 10.00am – 12.30pm



Week 2

Monday 6 - 9 March, **School Choirs** (St Andrew's Hall) 9.45 - 1.30pm

Monday 6 March, Young Singers/ Adult Singers (Central Baptist Church) 2.15 – 4.15pm Youth and Adult Choirs (Central Baptist Church) 6.00 – 9.00 pm

Tuesday 7 March, **Young Singers/ Adult Singers**(United Reformed Church)
10.00 – 11.40am

Tuesday 7 - 9 March, **Strings** (Central Baptist Church) 9.30am - 9.00pm







Would you like to study A-level Music?

East Norfolk Sixth Form College are offering free Stepping Stone to A-level Music classes with specialist tutors from Norfolk Music Hub.

The course will start from Tuesday 21 February (4pm-5:30pm) and is aimed at students wishing to start an A-level course in September 2017 or 2018.

For more information and to register for the course please contact:

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Norfolk County Youth Orchestra

Mahler – Symphony No. 1 'The Titan' Mendelssohn – Violin Concerto

Julia Hwang BBC Young Musician String Finalist

Andrew Morley

Where

St Andrew's Hall, Norwich Thursday 6 April 2017 - 7.30pm

Tickets

£10 adults and £6 concessions

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