



Autumn Newsletter

A big welcome to all of our new and returning families!

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We are now accepting Bursary applications for the academic year 2014/2015.

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Brilliant Benedetti!

Gloucester Academy of Music students from our Gloucester & Cheltenham centres were thrilled to have the opportunity to perform alongside Nicola Benedetti as part of the Cheltenham Music Festival's Education program. The workshop weekend was held at the end of last term. Nicola joined the team of Gloucester Academy of Music tutors for an intensive weekend of music, culminating in a performance held at The Princess Hall, Cheltenham Ladies College. The String Orchestra was directed by Glyn Oxley and, alongside students from GAM, the orchestra included members of Gloucestershire Youth Orchestra & the National Children's Orchestra. All of our students (and Tutors) were buzzing after the event. Comments from students included:



'She was so friendly and funny'

'absolutely inspirational'

'I just want to keep playing my violin forever'.

GAM students look forward to taking part in future Cheltenham Music Festival events. Watch this space for more details.



A Big Thank you to Brimpsfield Music Society for their donation of two violins to Gloucester Academy of Music

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Holiday Music Courses

Bookings are now being taken for our Easter and Summer Holiday Music Holiday Courses. Book now to take advantage of the 10% Early Booking discount and to ensure you don't miss out for 2015!

Make history by being part of the First Easter Holiday Courses to be held at Barbican House!

Bow It & Blow It

March 30 to April 1

Adult Chamber

March 28 & 29

Adult Bow It

March 28 & 29

Christmas Card Making 18th October

On Saturday 18th October we will be holding a Christmas Card Making event for any student wishing to design their own Christmas Card.

Students make their own Christmas Design which will

then be sent off and turned into Christmas Cards. A lovely personal touch for all family and friends!

Also available from GAM are personalized Hoodies, baseball Caps, T Shirts or Christmas themed Music

Books. All of which make ideal Christmas Presents.



A big welcome to Sophie our new Cheltenham Administrator & Administrator for the Gloucestershire Young Musician competition.

Our Gloucester Junior Department enjoyed a visit from Gary Jones (Glevum) and Phil Hannam (Hannam SPLIT) on Saturday 4th October. We were all very pleased to be able to say a big thank you for their donation of the design and supply of our fabulous new signage! THANK YOU!

On Saturday 31st January 2015 we will once again have the opportunity to Pack a Bag at Sainsbury, Gloucester Quays to raise money for GAM. Last time we raised over £330! If you have an hour or more to spare on the 31st January please let us know.

Students and/or parents all welcome!



Congratulations! ABRSM & GAM Exam Results Summer 2014

Student	Instrument	ABRSM Grade	Result
Ben Frith	Cello	4	Distinction
Alice Candish	Cello	5	Merit
Helena Cox	Cello	5	Merit
Evie Perfect	Cello	5	Merit
William Webster	Cello	5	Merit
Charlotte Faraday-Reeves	Cello	5	Pass
Martina Jones	Cello	5	Pass
Alexia Dunley	Cello	6	Distinction
Brittani Ferneyhough	Clarinet	4	Pass
Ellie Matthews	Piano	1	Merit
Edward More	Piano	1	Merit
Archie McGhee	Piano	3	Pass
Fionnuala Murphy	Piano	4	Merit
Katie Kiely	Piano	5	Pass
Esme Spry	Piano	7	Merit
Fionnuala Murphy	Singing	3	Distinction
James Thomsen	Trombone	4	Merit
Elizabeth Nunn	Violin	2	Merit
Emma-Jane Austin	Violin	3	Pass
Paul Nash	Violin	4	Pass
Marco Jones	Violin	5	Merit
Thomas Frith	Violin	6	Distinction
Hana Marriette	Violin	6	Distinction
Emily Wan	Violin	6	Merit

Student	Instrument	GAM Grade	Result
Matilda Bradley	Violin	1	Distinction
Peter Candish	Violin	1	Distinction
Elizabeth Skene	Violin	1	Distinction
Daniel Honciuc	Violin	1	Distinction
Henry Hart	Violin	2	Honours
Millie Stanton	Violin	3	Distinction
Henry Hart	Recorder	4	Merit

Barbican House

We hope that all of our Gloucester students have been enjoying the start of the new term in our new building and that everyone is now starting to find their way around! Everyone has admired our new teaching spaces and in particular the new hall flooring. Thank you to all students and parents for continuing to abide by our rule for there to be no food or drink in the hall as we are hoping to preserve the life of the floor for as long as possible.

In case you have missed the notices with regards our new telephone number, please note that our new number is now:

01452 668592

The office email address remains the same at

admin@gamusic.co.uk

However, if you have any queries regarding your term time payments, Cath now has her own email address of:

finance@gamusic.co.uk