



Kent Music Summer School 2019

Thursday 11th July - Monday 29th July 2019

Benenden School, Benenden, Cranbrook, Kent TN17 4AA

www.kent-music.com/summer-school



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Welcome

Kent Music Summer School is an excellent opportunity for young people who love music to develop their instrumental and vocal skills, and to enjoy making music with others. The Summer School takes place at Benenden School in the heart of the beautiful Kent countryside, spanning three weeks over the summer. It is made up of nine residential courses, lasting between two and six days, and is aimed at young musicians aged eight to 19 years old.

The focus of the Summer School music programme is for young people to have fun while being encouraged and motivated to improve, supported by professional tutors and an experienced pastoral team. It enables course members to build on their previously learned skills alongside others of a similar age and level of experience.

We welcome students of all abilities - no auditions are necessary to take part. Every course involves time working in small groups to focus on individual skills and interests, and finishes with a celebration performance for family and friends.

We look forward to welcoming you to one of our courses in 2019!

Schedule

THU 11	FRI 12	SAT 13	SUN 14	MON 15	TUE 16	WED 17	THU 18	FRI 19	SAT 20	SUN 21	MON 22	TUE 23	WED 24	THU 25	FRI 26	SAT 27	SUN 28	MON 29
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WIND BAND							SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA						SUMMER STRINGS		SUMMER SINGING		
MUSIC EXPLORERS												RECORDERS		JAZZ			
										MUSICAL THEATRE				SONGWRITING			

JUNIOR
MIXED LEVEL
ADVANCED

Wind Band

"Our daughter had an outstanding time at the Wind Band course. She hasn't stopped talking about it since collection! Many thanks to everyone who made this possible, it has been an enormous confidence boost for her and her playing has come on leaps and bounds."

Thursday 11th - Tuesday 16th July 2019

During this course woodwind, brass and percussion players will experience playing alongside others in a large ensemble under the expert guidance of wind band professionals.

During sectional and full rehearsals, players are introduced to a broad range of music including arrangements of well-known pieces and more traditional wind band repertoire. They have the opportunity to develop their technique and enhance their ensemble playing skills in a relaxed and supportive atmosphere.

All course members come together for vocal sessions; wind band and vocal items will be shared with family and friends at the end of course performance.



- 🎵 **Level: Grade 2-8 or equivalent**
- 🎵 **Fee: £384 - 75% bursaries available**
- 🎵 **Free performance: Tuesday 16th July**

Find out more



Music Explorers

"Our children had a wonderful time on the Music Explorers course, thank you so much."

Saturday 13th - Sunday 14th July 2019

Introduced in 2018, the Music Explorers course is ideal for all young instrumentalists at the start of their musical journey. It is designed for pupils who have experienced whole class instrumental lessons at Primary School or who have had instrumental lessons for just a few months but have had little or no ensemble experience.

Players will be encouraged to take the next step in their musical exploration by playing in a multi-instrument ensemble. They will make music together with others of a similar age, experience and ability in a fun, friendly and supportive atmosphere.

Please contact kmss@kent-music.com when you make your application if you would like us to provide an instrument.



- ♪ Level: Beginner to Grade 2
- ♪ Fee: £128 - 75% bursaries available
- ♪ Free performance: Sunday 14th July

Find out more



Symphony Orchestra

Thursday 18th - Tuesday 23rd July 2019

A course which provides the opportunity for more advanced musicians to play in a full symphony orchestra.

Players benefit from expert tuition from professional orchestral players. The emphasis is on further development of technique and the musical interpretation of orchestral repertoire.

"Thank you so much for an amazing Symphony Orchestra Course. My son has only just got home and is already asking about going straight back!"



🎵 Level: Grade 6+

🎵 Fee: £384 - 75% bursaries available

🎵 Free performance: Tuesday 23rd July

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Musical Theatre

"My daughter had a wonderful time at Benenden on the Musical Theatre course. She enjoyed herself and made new friends and it was an excellent opportunity for her as she loves acting, singing and creative dance. The chance to attend a camp where she can do all three is great."

Sunday 21st - Thursday 25th July 2019

Sing, dance, act and have fun – the key elements of this very popular five day course.

Repertoire is selected from rock opera, contemporary and concept musicals, juke box and light opera.

Performers are encouraged to experiment with a wide variety of singing and performance styles. The course includes workshops on physical theatre, improvisation and audition techniques which makes this a must for all Musical Theatre enthusiasts.

Share the experience at the end of course performance in the wonderfully equipped Benenden School Theatre.



🎵 **Level: School year 7+**

🎵 **Fee: £320 - 75% bursaries available**

🎵 **Free performance: Thursday 25th July**

Find out more



Summer Strings

"Thank you for looking after our girls so well. They had a wonderful time and learned a lot."

Wednesday 24th - Friday 26th July 2019

This course focusses on the further development of ensemble playing skills in a fun and friendly atmosphere.

Participants will be placed in one of two string orchestras depending on their experience and ability.

Players will benefit from sectional and full rehearsals which will improve their overall technique and enhance their musical development and understanding.

Course members will also come together to form a choir and they will share string orchestra and vocal items with family and friends during the end of course performance.



- 🎵 Level: Grade 1-5
- 🎵 Fee: £192 - 75% bursaries available
- 🎵 Free performance: Friday 26th July

Find out more



Recorders

Wednesday 24th - Friday 26th July 2019

Many young people learn to play the recorder but there are very few opportunities for them to play in large ensembles led by professional musicians. The music studied on the course is performed in an end of course concert, which is free for family and friends to attend.

"Thank you for giving my daughter a thoroughly enjoyable three days on her recorder course. She loved it and will definitely be booking again next year."

- ♪ Level: Beginner to grade 5
- ♪ Fee: £192 - 75% bursaries available
- ♪ Free performance: Friday 26th July

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Summer Singing

Saturday 27th - Monday 29th July 2019

Enthusiastic young singers can take their singing to the next level by singing with like-minded young people from across the county.

This course is a lot of fun and is led by experienced professionals who are skilled at working with this age group.

Students will sing accessible and engaging music in a variety of styles and will learn to sing in unison and in parts, including rounds.

"Many thanks for organising a great course, culminating in a most enjoyable concert."

- ♪ Level: School years 4-6
- ♪ Fee: £192 - 75% bursaries available
- ♪ Free performance: Monday 29th July

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Jazz

Saturday 27th - Monday 29th July 2019

This course gives players the opportunity to explore a range of jazz styles in both small and large groups.

Players are encouraged to contribute to the creative process and given freedom to experiment and develop improvisation techniques supported all the way by professional jazz musicians.

"It was very clear from the fabulous concert we saw that the tutors had worked extremely hard to bring out the best in the young people."

- 🎵 **Level: Grade 2+**
- 🎵 **Fee: £192 - 75% bursaries available**
- 🎵 **Free performance: Monday 29th July**

Find out more



Songwriting

"The courses are so valuable for the children in so many ways - social, musical and enjoyable. Thank you to everyone who works so hard behind the scenes to make them happen!"

Saturday 27th - Monday 29th July 2019

This course provides the opportunity for participants to work individually and collaboratively to develop their songwriting skills under the guidance of songwriting experts.

The focus is on how contemporary and modern songs are structured and put together and what makes them successful.

Support and advice will be given to help understand lyric writing and arrangement techniques; this will incorporate "live" instruments giving course members the freedom to experiment with different musical textures and voicings.



🎵 Level: School year 7+

🎵 Fee: £192 - 75% bursaries available

🎵 Free performance: Monday 29th July

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FAQs

Are auditions required?

No auditions are necessary.

What if school is still in session on the course dates?

Your child's head teacher may grant permission to attend Kent Music Summer School and generally head teachers are very keen to permit attendance. If your child is due to attend school when the course takes place, please ensure you inform your school in good time and follow their normal procedure for authorised absence (code B). We are always happy to talk with schools to answer any questions that they may have.

My child has special educational needs or a disability - can they still attend?

We aim to make courses accessible for all to attend. Please contact Kent Music to discuss your child's requirements before completing this application.

Who are the staff?

The conductors and tutors are highly experienced teachers and/or professional players. A qualified child safeguarding officer, nurse, lifeguards and a team of experienced pastoral staff are present throughout. All Kent Music Summer School and Benenden School staff members have Full Disclosure DBS certificates and current Child Safeguarding training.

What is included in the fee?

All tuition, accomodation and food costs are covered by the fee, as well as leisure activities such as swimming, and a free performance for family and friends at the end of the course. Financial Assistance is available upon meeting criteria, please visit www.kent-music.com/financial-assistance to find out more.

If you have any other questions please get in touch at kmss@kent-music.com.

How to Apply

Booking Procedure

Each booking will be processed on receipt of an application form and deposit of £35. You can fill out the application form overleaf or download a form from www.kent-music.com/summer-school.

Bookings will be acknowledged within 21 working days of receipt. An early booking is strongly recommended to secure your place. If a course (or section of a course) is full, your booking will be placed on a waiting list and you will be advised if a place becomes available. If we are unable to offer you a place by the start of the course, all associated fees, including the deposit, will be refunded.

Payment Procedure

You will receive an invoice with the course joining instructions. Payment in instalments can be arranged; please contact kmss@kent-music.com at the time of your booking to ask for a payment plan. Course fees must be received in full no later than 31st May 2019, unless you have a payment plan agreement in place.

Financial Assistance (Bursary Scheme)

We offer a 75% discount for those meeting specific financial criteria. For more information please visit www.kent-music.com/financial-assistance. Please note that an application for Financial Assistance should be submitted at the same time you apply for your chosen Summer School course.

Joining Instructions

You will receive the course joining instructions in April. It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to ensure all sections of the form are completed and that the form is returned to Kent Music no later than 31st May 2019.

Cancellation Procedure and Refunds

Cancellations must be given in writing, either by letter or email to kmss@kent-music.com. Your cancellation will be confirmed within 15 working days of receipt.

Refunds will be processed no later than 31 August 2019. The following refund entitlements apply:

CANCELLATION RECEIVED

On or before 31/05/19
Between 01/06/19 & 20/06/19
Between 21/06/19 & 04/07/19
On or after 05/07/19

REFUND

Full, minus £35.00
50% of full course fee
25% of full course fee
No refund

Please return your completed application to kmss@kent-music.com or by post to:
KMSS, Kent Music, 24 Turkey Court, Turkey Mill, Ashford Road, Maidstone, Kent ME14 5PP.

Alternatively you can download an application form online at www.kent-music.com/summer-school.

Student Details	
Course Name	
Full Name	
Gender	<input type="radio"/> Male <input type="radio"/> Female <input type="radio"/> Other
Date of Birth	
Current School/College/ Training Provider	
Current Year Group	
If none of the above, is the applicant:	
<input type="radio"/> Home tutored <input type="radio"/> In an apprenticeship <input type="radio"/> On a gap year	
Voice:	
<input type="radio"/> Treble <input type="radio"/> Soprano <input type="radio"/> Alto	
<input type="radio"/> Tenor <input type="radio"/> Bass <input type="radio"/> Unknown	
Grade/Standard:	Teacher:
Instrument to be played on course	
Instrument Teacher	
Grade/Standard	
Other instruments and grade/standard	
KMSS or previous music courses/groups/music centres attended	

Parent/Carer Details	
Title	
Full Name	
Home Address	
Postcode	
Home Telephone Number	
Mobile	
Email:	
<input type="radio"/> Please contact me with details of the Kent Music Financial Assistance Scheme	

Declaration	
I have read and accept the Kent Music Summer School Terms and Conditions and fully support the application for this student.	
<input type="radio"/>	I have paid the £35 deposit by card by phone (01622 691212)
<input type="radio"/>	I have paid the £35 deposit by BACS bank transfer to Kent Music. Account number: 79395015 / Sort Code: 60-60-08
<input type="radio"/>	I enclose a £35 deposit cheque made payable to 'Kent Music'.

Parent/Carer Signature: _____

Date: _____

Kent Music would like to keep in touch with you about our music opportunities and services. We will not pass your details on to third party organisations. If you **WOULD** like to receive this information by POST please tick here.

If you **WOULD** like to hear from us by EMAIL please tick here and provide your email address: _____





"It really is a wonderful opportunity for the students and I thank you again for providing it for them."

- Parent of student at Kent Music Summer School

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