

## SHORT COURSE DETAILS

WE6691 MUSIC APPRECIATION – 'PLEASURE IN SOUND', A STUDY OF FRENCH COMPOSERS' MUSIC

Tutor: ROY STRATFORD

Dates: WEEKEND FRIDAY 20 JANUARY – SUNDAY 22 JANUARY

### ABOUT YOUR COURSE:

'Pleasure in sound' could perhaps be the motto of French musicians, the extraordinary cuisine, viniculture and romantic inclinations of that extraordinary country would lead to no other approach. The distinctive nature of French music is what will absorb us, from the Baroque with its emphasis on dance through to Berlioz and his incredibly forward looking orchestral writing and on to Debussy the ultimate musical colourist and perhaps as far as Boulez, the master of the Avant-Garde whose music is as sensual, beguiling and scintillating as a crème-brûlée or a painting by Monet.

Roy Stratford and violinist Oliver Nelson will give a recital of French music for violin and piano on Saturday evening, 21 January at 8pm, this is included in the programme for course participants.

Non-resident students who would like to book dinner at the college on Saturday evening prior to the recital, should book this in advance with the Bookings Office.

### LEVEL: SUITABLE FOR ALL

A subject focused course that is delivered to suit any level of experience from beginner to advanced practitioner.

### ABOUT YOUR TUTOR:

Roy Stratford studied at Reading University and the Royal College of Music. He leads a very varied musical life as pianist, conductor, teacher and lecturer and loves to pass on his musical enthusiasms to others. He is Head of Piano and Chamber Music at St Paul's School, London.

**TIMETABLE** (provisional – this may be adapted by the tutor during the course)

#### Arrival day: Friday 20 January

From 4.00pm	Arrival for residential students
6.45pm	Non-residential students please arrive by 6.45pm for welcome chat and dinner
7.00pm	Dinner
8.00pm – 9.00pm	First teaching session – attendance is an essential part of the course.

#### Other days: Saturday 21 January

9.15am	Morning classes start
10.30am	Coffee
11.00am	Morning classes continue
12.45pm	Lunch
2.00pm	Afternoon classes
3.30pm	Tea
4.00pm	Afternoon classes continue
5.00pm	Classes finish
From 6.30pm	Dinner followed by evening recital*

\*Should you have guests who wish to join you for this concert, please book tickets via [www.westdean.org.uk](http://www.westdean.org.uk), the event reference is EC6695, tickets cost £10.

**Departure day: Sunday 22 January**

(Residential students to vacate rooms by 10am)

9.15am	Morning classes start
10.30am	Coffee
11.00am	Morning classes continue
12.45pm	Lunch
2.00pm	Afternoon classes
3.00pm	Classes finish
3.30pm	Tea then departure

**MATERIALS FOR YOUR COURSE:**

**Please bring:**

Pen and paper may be useful.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY:**

The tutor will instruct students in health and safety issues relevant to this course. There are no health and safety restrictions on access to this studio/teaching space in the absence of the tutor.