

SHORT COURSE DETAILS

CQ7108 CHILINGIRIAN STRING ENSEMBLE SUMMER SCHOOL

Tutors: The Chilingirian Quartet: Levon Chilingirian, Ronald Birks,

Susie Mészáros and Stephen Orton

Dates: 12–16 JULY 2017

ABOUT YOUR COURSE:

The celebrated Chilingirian Quartet return once again to West Dean College, a specialist centre for education in conservation and in the Creative Arts, for this annual summer school. Quartets or ensembles can enjoy the idyllic and relaxing surroundings which make this a perfect setting for this inspirational course.

COURSE STRUCTURE:

Young professional, amateur, or student quartets or ensembles, work closely with the celebrated Chilingirian Quartet. Each group is given a practice room for the week to enhance a repertoire of their own choice, with intensive, yet informal, daily coaching from the Chilingirian Quartet, starting after lunch on the first day. Groups also enjoy collaborative ensemble playing sessions in the evenings and a public concert by the Chilingirian Quartet. An informal student concert rounds off the course on the final afternoon.

Since its first year in 1983, many quartets and ensembles have benefitted from the immersive and supportive learning experience offered on this summer school. Many have used the course as a final preparation for important international competitions and concert engagements. A maximum of seven string quartets or ensembles are accepted to the course, each year.

Each of the participating quartet/ensemble benefits from:

- Concentrated study and daily coaching sessions with each tutor
- A practice room allocated to each quartet/ensemble for the week
- An informal performance opportunity
- Collaborative ensemble playing sessions in the evenings with tutors and other students.
- Complimentary tickets to the concert given by the Chilingirian Quartet on Saturday evening. (additional tickets may be purchased via the Events page at www.westdean.org.uk.)

CHILINGIRAN OUARTET IN CONCERT

The Chilingirian Quartet will give a concert at 8pm on Saturday 15 July West Dean College. Programme features: Mozart 'The Hunt', K 458, Elgar Quartet, Beethoven Op 18 No 6. Additional tickets may be purchased via the Events page at www.westdean.org.uk. Event code QT7256 £15

LEVEL: Grade 8 and above.

BURSARIES

Generous bursaries are offered by the College, to music college students and young professional musicians, funded by several donors and a group of West Dean Friends. Please download the Chilingirian Summer School Bursary application form from the website if you wish to apply. The application deadline is 30 April 2017.

REQUIRED PREPARATION

Please download and complete **Musical Details** form and send or email to the Bookings Office at the time you make your booking.

ABOUT YOUR TUTORS

THE CHILINGIRIAN QUARTET are one of the world's most celebrated and widely travelled ensembles renowned for their thrilling and authoritative interpretations of the great quartets and commanding performances of the contemporary repertoire. <u>Levon Chilingirian</u> (violin), <u>Ronald Birks</u> (violin), <u>Susie Mészáros</u> (viola) and <u>Stephen Orton</u> (cello) are highly accomplished musicians, and blend four distinct voices into a single extraordinary sound; their performances are frequently acclaimed by the critics. They are also respected teachers, leading masterclasses at many universities in the UK and around the world.

OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUMMER SCHOOL:

NON-RESIDENT the non-resident student fee includes coffee, lunch, tea and dinner daily, tuition and the Chilingirian concert. If you wish to stay at the College, the accommodation costs are given on the website.

START/END TIMES The course begins at 12.30 am with lunch on Wednesday, 12 July and ends on Sunday, 16 July at 4pm. Participants must plan to attend until the end of the course.

For full Terms and Conditions please refer to the website www.westdean.org.uk or request a brochure.

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PLEASE BRING: A music stand, clearly labelled with your name!

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