

JACK PEPPER (b.1999)

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One of the UK's youngest commissioned composers and youngest-ever national radio presenter

Composer and songwriter

- In his teenage years, Jack composed classical orchestral works for the **Royal Opera House**, **Classic FM's** 25th birthday, the 125th birthday of the **Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra** and the **Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra**
- Written songs performed by **The Band of HM Royal Marines**, soprano **Camilla Kerslake** and Canadian jazz group **SymphRONica** (including a **JUNO Award**-nominated album)
- **New musical, *Duet***, tells the harrowing true story of his piano teacher, Mike; it is in development in association with **The Lowry, Southampton Mayflower and Norwich Theatres**, with book, music and lyrics by Jack. Following workshops in March 2023, songs were premiered at the **Royal Albert Hall** by a massed ensemble of 3,000 young musicians across two nights in November 2023. Video clips here (music, lyric, orchestration and arrangement by Jack):
<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/36kggydcj7e3avxgdzrci/h?rlkey=fb4p6udiwld6xm887u18cx347&dl=0>
- **New children's seaside show, *Gulls and Buoys*** (book, music and lyrics by Jack) piloted in a primary school in July 2023, with Jack visiting the school once a week across 6 weeks to teach a group of 30 x 8 year-old children this one-hour sketch show. The whole school collaborated on sets and costumes before staging the show to mark the start of the summer holidays. It is now being **rolled out to 5 schools through February – March 2024**, with plans for a possible national rollout after. In association with GLF Schools and Tasso Foundation.

Broadcaster

- Aged 19, Jack helped plan, build and launch a new national classical music and entertainment radio station for **Bauer Media: Scala Radio**. He now presents on Saturdays and Sundays, with past guests including **Gary Barlow, Lang Lang, Itzhak Perlman, Jools Holland, Katherine Jenkins, Cameron Mackintosh** and **Simon Rattle**.
- Hosted specials for **Magic Radio's Magic at the Musicals** and **Jazz FM**.
- Hosts the musical theatre show for **British Airways** and **Aer Lingus** in-flight entertainment
- Aged 19, he was named as one of **ReelWorld Radio Academy's 30 Under 30**

Writer

- A regular writer for **Gramophone** and **Musicals Magazine**
- Has contributed to **The Times, The Telegraph, The Daily Mirror** and **BBC Music Magazine**
- His **debut book, 'Raising The Roof'**, will be released in June 2024, introducing a young audience to classical music. It is published by **Templar / Bonnier Books**

Other

- Board member of **Creative UK**
- On the voting panel for the **BPI BRIT Awards** for five consecutive years, having started as a judge in his teens
- Ambassador for **Music For Youth**. In 2023, he **devised and led the Thank Your Music Teacher Campaign**, which included personally engaging as official partners **The Times**, the **Royal Albert Hall** and endorsements from **Sir Keir Starmer, Andrew Lloyd Webber, Nile Rodgers** and **Marcus Mumford**. The campaign culminated in two Proms at the Royal Albert Hall, with 3000 young musicians from across the UK performing 25 minutes of Jack's music.