

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 teens, 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)
- **In 2025, he premiered his song *Harmony* for HM King Charles III at St James's Palace.** It marked the first time His Majesty's environmental philosophy of Harmony was expressed in music.
- **New dance-theatre show, *Duet***, tells the true story of his piano teacher; developed in association with **The Lowry, Southampton Mayflower and Norwich Theatres**. **Songs were premiered at the Royal Albert Hall** by a massed ensemble of 3,000 young musicians in 2023:
<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/36kggydcj7e3avxgdzrci/h?rlkey=fb4p6udiwld6xm887u18cx347&dl=0> (music, lyrics, orchestration and arrangements by Jack)
- **Children's seaside show, *Gulls and Buys*** (book, music and lyrics by Jack) tours schools in areas lacking significant arts education provision every summer. A mentor trained by Jack teaches a Year 6 class the show over six weeks, and Jack accompanies the final performance.
- **New stage musical, *Unleashed*, written with Matt Edmondson**, received its first public showcases at MAST Studios in 2024.

Broadcaster

- Aged 19, Jack helped build and launch a new national classical music radio station for **Bauer Media: Scala Radio**. Now **Magic Radio's Magic Classical**, he presents on Saturday and Sunday afternoons, with past guests including **Gary Barlow, Lang Lang, Itzhak Perlman, Jools Holland, Katherine Jenkins, Cameron Mackintosh** and **Simon Rattle**.
- Hosts the Musical Theatre and Classical shows for **British Airways** and **Aer Lingus** worldwide
- Hosted specials for **Magic Radio's Magic at the Musicals** and **Jazz FM**.
- Co-hosted the live **Medici TV** coverage of the **2025 Verbier Festival**
- 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** and **The Daily Mirror**
- His **debut book, 'Raising The Roof'**, was released in 2024 via **Templar / Bonnier Books**

Other

- **Named as one of His Majesty The King's 35 Under 35**, recognising makers and changemakers who advocate for the changes His Majesty wants to see in the world, marking the 35th anniversary year of The King's Foundation (2025)
- Board member of **Creative UK**
- On the voting panel for the **BPI BRIT Awards** for six years, since his teens
- Previously advisor/creative board member for **Glyndebourne**
- Creator of **The Commonwealth's** global Music Relay, with Commonwealth Resounds
- **Music For Youth** ambassador. He **created and led the Thank Your Music Teacher campaign**, which included personally engaging as official partners **The Times, the Royal Albert Hall, Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, BBC** 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. It returned in 2024 supported by the BBC, with Jack appearing on **The One Show** and **BBC Radios 2, 3 and 4**.