JACK PEPPER (b.1999)

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

'The King's composer… the next Andrew Lloyd Webber' (Daily Mirror, 2025)

Composer and songwriter

- In his teens, composed classical orchestral works for the **Royal Opera House**, **Classic FM**'s 25th birthday, the **Royal Philharmonic Society**, the 125th birthday of the **Bournemouth Symphony, the London Philharmonic** and the **Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestras**
- 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 stage musical written with BBC Radio 1's Matt Edmondson**, ***Unleashed*,** in development.
- **Children's seaside show, *Gulls and Buoys*** (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.
- **Dance-theatre show, *Duet***, told 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)

Broadcaster

- Aged 19, Jack helped build and launch the UK's third national classical music radio station for **Bauer Media**: **Scala Radio**. Now **Magic Radio's Magic Classical**, he presents **Saturday and Sunday breakfast**. Past guests include **Gary Barlow, Lang Lang, Itzhak Perlman, Jools Holland, Katherine Jenkins, Cameron Mackintosh** and **Simon Rattle**
- Hosts the **Classeek 15** podcast, with past guests including **Hilary Hahn** and **Steven Isserlis**
- Hosted the Musical Theatre and Classical shows for **British Airways** and **Aer Lingus** worldwide
- Hosted specials for **Magic Radio**'s **Magic Musicals** and **Jazz FM**
- Co-hosted the live **Medici TV** coverage of the 2025 and 2026 **Verbier Festival**
- Aged 19, he was named as one of **ReelWorld Radio Academy's 30 Under 30**

Writer

- A regular writer for **Gramophone** and **Medici TV's online magazine, *Page Turner***
- Has contributed to **The Times**, **The Telegraph**, **The Daily Mirror** and **Musicals** Magazine
- His **debut illustrated children's book, 'Raising The Roof'**, was released in 2024 via **Templar / Bonnier Books**
- In 2025, his **piano anthology 'Music We Might Have Played'** was released by **Hal Leonard**, co-curated with music educator Andrew Eales

Other

- **Named as one of HM The King's 35 Under 35**, recognising makers and changemakers who advocate for the changes His Majesty wants to see in the world
- Board, **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 half an hour 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**.