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# 5-Year Anniversary Concert 22nd March 2026



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# A letter from the Directors...

Dear Students, Parents/Carers, and those who are joining us for our celebration today,

We are so proud to be celebrating our 5-year anniversary of Royal Arsenal School of Music. These 5 years, and particularly this last year, has been one of change and growth, and we're incredibly proud of what we have achieved.

The school opened in April 2021 during the pandemic. We (Sally & Ros) were in a 'bubble' together and teaching online for what was at that point known as Royal Arsenal School of Piano. We spent many an afternoon walking down the Thames Path coming up with a vision of what we wanted to create for the local community. We envisioned a musical hub for people to come and sing and make music together, as well as offering the highest quality of musical tuition.

The school initially opened in SET, Riverside House, a fairly run down building that offered us the studio space we needed to start welcoming people into the RASM community. From there we grew quickly and managed to offer lessons for hundreds of students, as well as providing jobs for 24 local professional musicians and teachers. We both learned an awful lot - as two people that hold performance degrees in playing the violin, we suddenly found ourselves having to figure out how to run a business, and fast!

This time last year at our annual concert 2025, we happily announced our move to our new home in Gunnery Terrace, which has been built with a bespoke floorplan to suit our school, designed by us.

We had to deal with a few teething problems - climbing over generators to give power to the building and pianos, no running water for the toilet, drilling of concrete outside our studios, using (and locating!!) emergency rooms in the main building when our container wasn't usable, and teaching in sunglasses during long waits for blinds to arrive! These issues are now just fun stories from the past, and we are settled in and truly enjoying our lovely new venue.

The fundraising we did last year for our move was hugely helpful and enabled us to navigate the tight financial situation we were in due to our increased overheads with the new venue. Thank you so much to those of you who contributed in any way. We are continually grateful, and we hope that seeing the performances today is a reward of sorts, as we are so proud of our students that stand up in front of everyone and show how far they have come.

From September, we moved to a new Membership system. In the membership we now include a free Junior choir on Saturday afternoons at 2.30pm run by our lovely Diana. This was important for us to set up, as singing in choirs improves sight reading, aural skills, and general musicianship. We both sang in choirs from a young age and it was fundamental to helping our musical education develop, and for us to achieve the results we did as professional musicians. We also have a thriving adult choir run by the fabulous Jack Day.

Another achievement for us is the huge success of our Mini-Musicians and Musical-Munchkins groups that started in September (children between the age of 18 months and 5 years old). Diana has been running a fantastic syllabus with a clear vision to prepare children for 1-2-1 lessons when they are old enough. These young children can already read notes on a staff, talk about dynamics, and recently they played their own composition on bells!

As of January this year, we have changed our business structure to a community interest company (CIC) operating as a non-profit. This opens us up to more funding opportunities which could go towards our new bursary & scholarship scheme, as well as buying more high-quality equipment for the school, and enabling more opportunities for our students.

We are excited to see what the future holds for RASM. We're sure that you can see we don't like giving ourselves an easy time! We wish to continue to provide excellent teaching, create more outreach to our local community and increase exposure to new instruments. Watch this space - maybe this time next year we will have a viola club!

All the best,  
Ros & Sally

# John Wilks Memorial Award

In memory of John Wilks, we will be awarding this trophy to a student who has shown active participation in school activities and commitment to their learning. This award is judged anonymously by Lis Wilks.

Teachers have nominated students who they felt fit the criteria listed on the next page, and were able to nominate 1 student per up to every 10 they teach.

If no student fit the criteria, then no nomination was given. They were submitted anonymously to Lis who will also not know who has won until the award is given. All nominees will receive a medal at the end of their concert and are marked with an asterisk\* next to their name in this programme. The winner will also receive the trophy at the end of their concert.



Viha Trivedi, JWMA Winner 2025

# CRITERIA

- Active participation in RASM Concerts, Performance Platforms and other events
- Clear demonstration that the student has made significant improvement in all areas of musicianship, eg instrument playing, sight reading and aural capability during the year
- Consistent attendance to weekly lessons at RASM
- Evidence that the student consistently practises their instrument



John Wilks performing at our Summer Concert 2019  
Charlton House

# 1pm Concert

|                          |                                      |                        |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Teacher Performance      | Concerto for 4 Violins               | Vivaldi                |
| Clarence Chau Donnelly   | Postman Pete                         | Waterman &<br>Harewood |
| Timothy Adiamah          | Lightly Row                          | Waterman &<br>Harewood |
| Saraana Yadamsuren       | Spooky Wood Hollow                   | Heather Hammond        |
| Tharaa Raajanathan       | Fireworks Minuet                     | G. F. Handel           |
| Frances O'Brien          | Sparkling Splashes &<br>Smooth Water | Barbara Arens          |
| Edmund Nana<br>Oheneasah | Runaway                              | Kanye West             |
| Xavier Danso             | Way out West                         | Pete Letanka           |
| Brandon Ho               | Scherzo                              | Beethoven              |
| Joshua Pereira*          | Flowers                              | Miley Cyrus            |
| Mila San Ly              | Spiritoso                            | Muzio Clementi         |
| Wai-Yee Chloe Wong*      | Allegretto                           | Louis-Claude Daquin    |
| Bami Ajayi               | Hook's Hornpipe                      | Shostakovich           |
| Louise Le May            | Big My Secret                        | Michael Nyman          |
| Theo McGimpsey           | Are you going to go my<br>way        | Lenny Kravitz          |

## INTERVAL

|                                |                                    |                                            |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Giuliano Sison                 | Rusalka: Song to the Moon          | Dvořák                                     |
| Skyla San Ly                   | Melody in F                        | Louis Köhler                               |
| Samiya Christie                | A Song of Erin                     | Thomas Dunhill                             |
| Akshara Kamatchinathan         | Cyberspace Detective               | Amit Anand                                 |
| Sienna Ho                      | The Singing Swan                   | Alexis Ffrench                             |
| Teodor Paskalev                | Waltz in B Minor                   | Franz Schubert                             |
| Ishani Rao                     | Sparkling Splashes & Smooth Water  | Barbara Arens                              |
| Matthew Adiamah<br>Logan Danso | Mary had a little Lamb<br>Moderato | Waterman & Harewood<br>Beethoven           |
| Daniele Michailovaite          | Someone You Loved                  | Lewis Capaldi                              |
| Esmee Yildiz-Sewell            | Tarantella                         | Burgmuller                                 |
| Issa Edeki-Steadman            | Remember Me                        | Kristen Anderson-Lopez<br>and Robert Lopez |
| Harry Baldwin*                 | Pop Corn                           | Akira Yuyama                               |
| Seiyyon Raajanathan            | Pamplona                           | Vincent Lindsey-Clark                      |
| Yuffie Choi                    | Wind Forest                        | Joe Hisaishi                               |
| Rohini Sarkar                  | Adagietto Pianissimo               | Ginastera                                  |

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# 3pm Concert

|                     |                        |                        |
|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Teacher Performance | Concerto for 4 Violins | Vivaldi                |
| Musical Munchkins   | Spring Chicken         | Mark & Helen Jonson    |
| Mini Musicians      | Mr McGrew              | Eileen Diamon          |
| Leontine Borrett    | Yankee Doodle          | Waterman & Harewood    |
| Marina Paton-Locke  | O When the Saints      | Traditional hymn       |
| Austen Kueh         | Muss I Denn            | Trad German            |
| Kayel Forte Tro*    | Wallace and Gromit     | Julian Nott            |
| Jonas Omokhe        | Berry's Smoothie       | Nikki Yeoh             |
| Daniel Oproiu       | Flowers                | Miley Cyrus            |
| Cassius Fasina      | Song of Erin           | Thomas Dunhill         |
| Hannah Forbes       | My Favourite Things    | Rogers and Hammerstein |
| Matthew Wong        | Sunsets in Savannah    | Randall Hartsell       |
| Jesse Graham        | Cyberspace Detective   | Amit Anand             |
| Eyeyisan Ogbobine   | To be Confirmed        | Anon                   |
| Pearl Davies        | Allegro in F           | Mozart                 |
| Alessandro Bianchi  | A Carol for Christmas  | Waterman & Harewood    |
| Prayaag E Ghimire   | Flowers                | Miley Cyrus            |
| Patience Geraldo    | Maple Leaf Rag         | Joplin                 |

INTERVAL

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|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Simon Davies            | I Want to Break Free                                                           | Queen                                                                                       |
| Thomas Wong             | The Nuthatch                                                                   | Mark Nightingale                                                                            |
| Isabelle Bianchi        | Douce Amie                                                                     | TBC                                                                                         |
| Oriana Paton-Locke      | Fur Elise                                                                      | Ludwig van Beethoven                                                                        |
| Amara Fasina            | Fireworks Minuet                                                               | G. F. Handel                                                                                |
| Amaya Fernández-Findlay | J'ai du bon Tabac                                                              | Waterman & Harewod                                                                          |
| Emimitun Ogbobine       | Ode to Joy                                                                     | Beethoven                                                                                   |
| Weihao Zheng            | Turkey in the Straw                                                            | Waterman & Harewood                                                                         |
| Maya-Grace Udobang      | The Muppet Show                                                                | Jim Henson                                                                                  |
| Emily Cox               | Melody in F                                                                    | Louis Kohler                                                                                |
| Alina Tro               | The Wind                                                                       | Chee-Hwa Tan                                                                                |
| Cassius Fasina          | Musical Sequence                                                               | David Rollins                                                                               |
| Vardaan Chattha         | Wallace and Gromit                                                             | Julian Nott                                                                                 |
| Isabella Davies         | Always With Me                                                                 | Youmi Kimura                                                                                |
| Lana Locke              | I Dreamed a Dream                                                              | Claude-Michel Schönberg                                                                     |
| Portia Yaya Aboubakar   | Tarantella Twist                                                               | Victoria Proudler                                                                           |
| Samuel Collis*          | Sunsets in Savannah                                                            | Randall Hartsell                                                                            |
| Junior Choir            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Rose</li> <li>• Sisisi</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bette Midler</li> <li>• Trad. Congolese</li> </ul> |

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# 5.30pm Concert

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|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Teacher Performance      | Concerto for 4 Violins                    | Vivaldi                            |
| Orchestra                | In the Hall of the Mountain King          | Edvard Greig                       |
| Lie Zhang                | Cello Suite No 1 - Prelude                | J.S.Bach                           |
| Oliver Kan-Dapaah        | Fireworks Minuet                          | G. F. Handel                       |
| Olivia Havrincea         | Romance                                   | Elfrida Andrée                     |
| Emmanuella Osunkunle     | Moana                                     | Mark Mancina                       |
| Adala Kan-Dapaah         | Sunsets in Savannah                       | Randall Hartsell                   |
| Viha Trivedi             | The Devil among the Tailors               | Trad. Scottish                     |
| Carsyn Chan              | Yawning all Morning                       | Sarah Watts                        |
| Inaaya Jilany            | Song of the Wind                          | Shinichi Suzuki                    |
| Rosalind Sawyer-Edwards* | Avreml der Marvikher                      | Ros Stephen                        |
| Talitha Antoskina*       | Spooky Wood Hollow                        | Heather Hammond                    |
| Seren Coldrick*          | Hallelujah                                | Leonard Cohen                      |
| Nima Ebadi               | Three Preludes in E Minor                 | Chopin                             |
| Zach Toogood             | Til I Hear You Sing, from Love Never Dies | Andrew Lloyd Webber & Glenn Slater |

## INTERVAL

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|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Matt Wood*                  | Le Nozzle di Fígaro<br>"Se viol ballare" | Mozart                           |
| Toyin Odusanwo*             | Dido's Lament - from<br>Dido and Aeneas  | Henry Purcell<br>arr B.C Dockery |
| Max Costa-Isibor            | Cyberspace Detective                     | Amit Anand                       |
| Nina Havrincea              | Allegro                                  | Handel                           |
| Mia Hong                    | Cloudscapes                              | Ailbhe McDonagh                  |
| Zhi Lin                     | Toreador Song                            | Georges Bizet                    |
| Olivia Havrincea            | Sonata in G                              | Domenico Cimarosa                |
| Braden Chan                 | Prelude                                  | Grazyna Bacewicz                 |
| Annie-Grace Thomas<br>Hall* | Rondo alla Turca                         | Mozart                           |
| Ina Hilton                  | Sugar                                    | Stanley Turrentine               |
| Adult Choir                 | Man in the Mirror                        | Michael Jackson                  |
|                             | Song for Athene                          | Tavener                          |
|                             | Lacrymosa                                | Mozart                           |

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# RASM JAZZ BAND

Ina Hilton - Trumpet  
Vasyl Sahan - Saxophone  
Sally Wragg - Bass Guitar  
Billy Pod - Drums



## RASM ADULT CHOIR

### CONDUCTOR

Jack Day

### SOPRANO

Susan Jones  
Lizzie Aherne  
Alison Hagerty  
Clare Forbes  
Simona Vakar  
Ana Rodrigues  
Maria Silina  
Maria Trillana

### TENOR

Martina Damjanovic  
Adrian Hilton  
Val Vakar

### ALTO

Sally Manser  
Valentina Ciolino  
Beth Bagnall  
Shell Newton  
Diana Smith

### BASS

David Hall  
Matt Wood\*  
Steve Lawrence

### PIANO

Rosalind Wilks

## JUNIOR CHOIR

### CONDUCTOR

Diana Smith

### VOICES

Hannah Forbes  
Samuel Collis\*  
Emily Cox  
Seren Coldrick\*  
Prayaag E Ghimire  
Patience Geraldo  
Portia Yaya Aboubakar  
Emimitun Ogbobine  
Eyeyisan Ogbobine

# ORCHESTRA

## Conductor - Sally Wragg

### VIOLIN 1

Nina Havrincea  
Natalia Mertens  
Olivia Havrincea  
Viha Trivedi  
Zhi Lin

### VIOLIN 2

Rosa Muller  
Rosalind Sawyer Edwards\*  
Inaaya Jilany  
Braden Chan

### VIOLIN 3 / VIOLA

Dana Szidjaga  
Seren Coldrick\*  
Amutha Sriparan  
Olena Reha  
Liesl Wickins

### CELLO

Lie Zhang  
Kaiwen Zhang  
Marcia Williams  
Henry Scully\*  
Oscar Rakus

### FLUTE

Helen Lin  
Alison Hagerty

### TRUMPET

Toyin Odusanwo\*  
Adrian Hilton

### SAXOPHONE

Ruben Moreno  
Jathurshan Sriparan\*

### BASSOON

Gwen Turner

### PERCUSSION

Samuel Collis\*

## MUSICAL MUNCHKINS

Raeni Gibson-Williams  
Vincent Savva Cheung  
Joni Lawrence  
Charlotte Jobling  
Bibiana Borrett

## MINI MUSICIANS

Liliana Jobling  
Kairos Afolayan  
Damiano D'Amora  
Kai Iturmendi  
Nyra Mazowiecki-Sarkar  
Amelia Isabel Vierti Garcia

## JWMA NOMINEES

Samuel Collis  
Rosalind Sawyer Edwards  
Toyin Odusanwo  
Matt Wood  
Kayel Forte Tro  
Aiden Rosu  
Wai-Yee Chloe Wong  
Harry Baldwin  
Jathurshan Sriparan  
Annie-Grace Thomas Hall  
Henry Scully  
Talitha Antoskina  
Loreta Biringa  
Seren Coldrick  
Joshua Pereira

# The Green Cheeks

You may have noticed some fantastic quality toilet roll in the RASM toilet. These bamboo sustainable rolls have been donated by a family business who are part of the school community. If you would like to support them, please see information about their product below:

## Product Overview

The Green Cheeks® is a UK-based bamboo paper products brand created to offer a genuinely sustainable alternative to conventional tissue products. Our focus is on transparency, conscious buying and eliminating greenwashing in a category where sustainability claims are often unclear.



To learn more about The Green Cheeks please scan the QR code:



# Thank you for coming!

This concert would not have been possible to put on without the help of our dedicated RASM teachers: Agne, Anmol, Alex, Billy, Chit, Chris, David B, David McG, David R, Diana, Graham, Heidi, Jack, Jake, Joshua, Maksym, Marie Anne, Michaela, Robert, Vasyl & Yuliia. Thank you all, and see you in the pub later!

Thank you to Woolwich Works for allowing us to use this beautiful venue and equipment.

We'd like to thank the parents of our students for their endless support and dedication to their childrens musical tuition.

Thank you to Karolyn for all of her help and support today.

Thank you to Lis Wilks for the very tricky job for deciding the winner of the JWMA and donation of the cup to RASM.