

Folkworks Youth Summer School 2019

Monday 29th July – Saturday 3rd August 2019

Emmaus Youth Village, Consett

Folkworks Youth Summer School presents a unique opportunity to work closely with some of the very finest performers/tutors in the field of folk music, song and dance. Students have the chance to enjoy playing and hearing great music in a fun and relaxing environment, whilst making new friends and learning more about their chosen instrument.

Instrumental workshops cater for a wide range of abilities; ability to read music is not a requirement, nor is previous experience of folk music. Unfortunately, we are unable to accommodate absolute beginners. Players need to have their own instrument, and be able to play at least to a basic standard. If you are unsure whether we can accommodate your instrument or ability level, please get in touch.

Structure of the Week

Throughout the week there are workshops during the day, followed by informal sessions, concerts, get-togethers, ceilidhs and more!

There are two slots of workshops to choose from, both of which contain Instrumental Tuition and Band Tuition.

If you want to be in two bands – you can! (and if you would like to learn two instruments, you can!). Every participant will have the opportunity to perform at both showcases. On top of this additional tuition is available through:

- **Options** - The Youth Summer School also has ‘**Options**’ workshops providing opportunities to explore a specific musical genre or topic. These may include masterclasses, dance workshops, lectures or talks, and other special activities.
- **Dancing** has a very important place in the development and learning of folk music. All students will be encouraged to dance at ceilidhs throughout the week.

There will also be performance opportunities throughout the week including the showcase concert in Durham (details TBC)

All information about our fantastic tutor team is available online.

Workshop choices:

Slot 1	Slot 2
Guitar	x
Clog	Piano Accordion
Band with Song	Song
Melodeon	Finnish Band
Northumbrian Pipes	Northumbrian Band
Americana Band	Advanced Fiddle
English Concertina	Northumbrian Band
Improver/Intermediate Fiddle	Performance Band
Irish Band	Wind Instruments

Workshop Notes

Performance Band – This band class is for those wishing to learn more about performing. You will be expected to lead your own learning, work in smaller ensembles and bring your own arrangement and repertoire ideas. This class is best suited to advanced players.

Wind Instruments – This class is for flautists, whistlers, clarinet players – any kind of wind instrument! *Please note if you are a transposing instrument you should feel comfortable learning in concert pitch.* Please get in touch with us if you are unsure of this.

We are currently working hard to secure the best tutors for each workshop, keep checking the Sage Gateshead website and social media for tutor announcements.

To help us in allocating you to tutors/bands instrumentalists are asked to indicate on the enrolment form their approximate level of experience, from the following options:

- **Relative Beginner:** has basic command of their instrument; can play easy scales and a few simple tunes
- **Improving Beginner:** a player who is beginning to grow in confidence and can play several tunes but at a slower pace
- **Intermediate:** a player of increasing assurance with a reasonable familiarity with different tune types
- **Advanced:** a confident player with a significant amount of performance experience

Showcase Concerts

On Friday evening the Youth and Junior Schools come together for showcase concert. Parents will be able to buy tickets for the Friday Showcase concert, details will be sent to all participants before the start of the summer school.

This year we will have an informal picnic on the final morning (Sat 3rd August) where all participants from across Junior, Youth and Adult Summer Schools can join to celebrate and play music to finish the week (more details to be announced, this will be finished by 12.30).

Accommodation

This year the schools will be held at Emmaus Youth Village in Consett.

Emmaus Youth Village, Pemberton Rd, Allensford, Consett DH8 9BA

<http://www.ymt.org/phone/emmaus-youth-village.html>

Emmaus Youth Village is a purpose built centre ideal for Youth Summer School – surrounded by 60 acres of land there is plenty of space inside and out, and room for a campfire or two! Residential and non-residential places are available. The residential course fee includes accommodation and meals from Monday teatime to Saturday breakfast.

If you are traveling via public transport – we will be able to arrange pick ups/drop offs between Emmaus Youth Village and Durham train station. To enquire or arrange a pick up please contact

folkworks.summerschool@sagegateshead.com

Accommodation is a mix of shared (single sex) dormitories and single study bedrooms with shared bathroom/showers and toilet. If you have a preference please let us know and we will try and accommodate you the best we can.

We take great care of our students and Folkworks staff are always on hand and are available in case of emergencies at any time of the day or night. If you think you or your child will need more support from our team, please get in touch to discuss how we can make them welcome.

Prices

Youth Summer School Ticket Prices

Residential	£400
Residential Sibling Concession*	£361
Non Residential	£310
Non Residential Sibling Concession*	£280

*The concession rate applies only to participants with an older sibling attending full price at either Youth or Junior Summer School

We are delighted to be offer flexible instalment payments. To secure your place you may pay a deposit of £50 per person. The remainder of your payment may be paid as and when you are able (please note that fees must be paid in full before Summer School begins). To pay a deposit and begin paying for Folkworks Summer School 2019 please visit or call Ticket Office on 0191 443 4661 and we will set this up for you.

Bursaries are available for participants who would not be able to attend without financial support. Please see the attached bursary information and get in touch with us if you have any concerns. The deadline to apply for a bursary is Monday 20th May 2018.

How to Book – Online Enrolment and Payment

Follow this link for enrolment and payment - <http://www.sagegateshead.com/whats-on-live-music-gateshead-newcastle/folkworks-summer-schools/>

How to Book

Step 1 – Payment

Click the 'book tickets' box on the top right hand side and follow the instructions to make your payment. You will then receive a confirmation email with your order number.

Step 2 – Enrolment

Complete the enrolment form on the web page and click the 'submit' box. A confirmation message will appear at the bottom of the page indicating that we have received your form.

Tickets can also be purchased from **Ticket Office on 0191 443 4661**. Instalment payments can also be set up with Ticket Office.

Information about dietary requirements, medical circumstances and other special needs is requested on the enrolment form along with parental consent for under 18s. This information is vital to us if we are to provide the best care for students, please ensure the form is completed fully, we are unable to provide you a place until this is complete.

If you do not have the facilities to complete an online enrolment form please get in touch with the team (by email at folkworks.summerschools@sagegateshead.com or phone on 0191 443 4661) and we will try and provide a suitable alternative.

Enrolment closes on **Monday 8th July 2019**

After you have enrolled...

...if you have followed the steps above correctly then you won't hear from us again until after enrolment closes. Before the Summer School begins you will receive a Summer Schools Pack which will include all the information you need for a great week; timetable, registration details, concert times, maps and directions etc.

Information in this pack will be correct at the time of print. We try to inform all participants of changes as they are confirmed.

If you would like more information about any aspect of the Folkworks Summer Schools, please contact:

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