

STRING CHAMBER MUSIC COURSES IN 2023 AT WADHAM COLLEGE, OXFORD

coached by

THE MAGGINI QUARTET

Course Dates

1. Monday 3rd April to Thursday 6th April
2. Tuesday 22nd August – Friday 25th August
3. Saturday 26th August to Tuesday 29th August

All courses run from tea at 4pm on the first day to tea on the last

Fees per person per course: Ensuite Resident £600, Resident £530, Non-Resident £410

Course participants must usually be 18 years or over.

We may be prepared to accept applications from under 18s only if they are non-resident and are in a group of at least two adults who are prepared to accept responsibility for them.

Applications are preferred from pre-formed string quartets. Depending on circumstances, we may be able to accept applications from string trios, quintets or sextets, or small groups containing other instruments such as piano or a woodwind instrument.

Individuals may apply but their application will only be accepted if it possible to incorporate them into a group. This may only be possible if a pre-formed group needs to replace a member at short notice.

During the course, each group will get four coaching sessions, one from each member of the Maggini Quartet. The remaining playing sessions give you time to prepare your chosen pieces, consolidate what you have been taught during the coaching sessions, or to explore other repertoire. The course fee includes an evening concert by the Maggini Quartet.

The courses are popular and fill up quickly. You are advised to apply early to avoid disappointment.

A provisional reservation will be made on receipt of a completed application form **and** a deposit of £30 from at least one member of the group. The reservation will be confirmed when forms and deposits have been received from **all** members of the group. Once the reservation has been confirmed, the deposit is non-refundable unless we can fill the place with another group.

The balance of the fee must be received six weeks before the start of the course. After that time, if you cancel your reservation, a partial refund may be given (at the discretion of the organisers). Any cancellation in the two weeks prior to the start of the course is not eligible for a refund.

In case you have to cancel through illness or other unforeseen circumstances, we suggest you take out insurance. One company that seems to offer this is Guest First (www.guestfirst.co.uk). If the organisers have to cancel the course, your deposit and fee will be refunded in full.

Please note that some accessible bedrooms and ground floor or lift accessible rehearsal rooms can be made available by request, and the rest of the college site is reasonably accessible, but unless requested some participants may be allocated bedrooms and playing rooms on the first or second floor level, with no lift access.

For those opting to be residential, accommodation is in single lockable bedrooms (though one or two twin rooms may be available) and a number of ensuite bedrooms are available at a premium. Please bring your own towel and toiletries; bedding is provided.

Parking in central Oxford is almost impossible. Those coming by car can drop off bags and instruments at the college but there are very few parking spaces on-site which will be reserved for participants with serious mobility issues. Others will have to explore the suburbs or use one of the Park and Ride sites around Oxford. Normal parking at these is restricted to 72 hours which is just not enough to cover the course duration, but you can get a 28 Day permit for £30.

Meals are provided by the college's catering staff who can cater for most dietary requirements. Please state any dietary requirements at the time of booking.

You are responsible for ensuring your belongings, including your instruments, are adequately insured.

A separate application form for each individual, even if part of a pre-formed group, together with a deposit of £30 per person per course should be sent to the Treasurer, preferably in electronic form:

Alan Goodwin
2 North Street, Oxford OX2 0AY
Tel: 07765 034918
Email: alan@alanguoodwin.co.uk

Please note, we cannot accept credit cards; payments must be by cheque or bank transfer.

Cheques: Please make cheques payable to Chamber Music Weekends.

Bank transfer direct to our account:

Sort Code: 30-11-27 Account number: 00011094 Account name: Chamber Music Weekend

Please put your name as the reference so we can work out who has paid. It would also be helpful if you could send an email to alan@alanguoodwin.co.uk to confirm that you have paid by this method.

In order to keep down costs and reduce the admin workload, all correspondence will be by email where possible and receipts will not be issued unless specially requested. Please assist us with this and let us know your current email address.

Further details can be found on our website
www.stringquartetcourses.uk