

GAM

Gloucester Academy of Music

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Concert successes

Thanks to the **University of Gloucestershire** for hosting the successful final concert by the Carducci Quartet. Funded by The Ernest Cook Trust the Carducci residency has been a great success with GAM students, offering them the opportunity of being coached by professional musicians with international reputations.

The **Carducci** played Mozart's 'The Hunt' and Schubert's 'Death and the Maiden'.



GAM's own **Cavendish Quartet** also played at the concert having benefited from coaching by the Carducci. They played a Beethoven String Quartet followed by Smetana's String Quartet No.1

Thanks to the **Gloucestershire Police Male Voice Choir** who gave a concert in support of GAM at Longlevens church, the evening was extremely successful, with Prima Corda also playing at the concert.

Funds raised for GAM thanks to Tom Taylor, our acting Chair, who covered all the expenses for the latter event, over £600 was raised. Over £300 was raised by the Carducci concert, the University of Gloucestershire generously provided their venue free of charge. Thanks to those who supported us by coming to these events.

♪♪Summer fete Saturday 11th July♪♪

All Junior students will be performing at the morning concerts, so bring your family and friends. This is one of the major fund raising events in our calendar, please support us.

Congratulations

Associated Board

Grade 3 violin, Lydia Kenny, Dist
 Grade 5 piano, Rosie Docherty, Merit
 Grade 6 piano, Iain Docherty, Merit

GAM Exams

Preliminary cello, William Grayling, Dist
 Grade 1 cello, Benedict Young, Merit
 Grade 2 cello, Caitlin Wild, Merit
 Grade 3 cello, Blossom Caldarone, Dis
 Grade 2 violin, Imogen Grayling, Dist
 Grade 3 viola, Emily Hickman

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Holiday courses

Successful Easter courses: The Junior Strings and 'Blow It' courses were a great success thanks to the untiring energy enthusiasm of the Directors Glyn Oxley (strings) and Cathy Laney (wind), and string tutors Hannah Green & Kaat van Bouwel. Special thanks to the welfare team for making the course such fun. The final concert was a great event.

The welfare staff were really nice and the teachers really good.

If your child has never been on one of our exciting summer holiday courses then they have missed a lot of fun coupled with a great opportunity to further their musical education in just one week. Don't delay, sign up now and remember there are good discounts for those attending more than one course, and for families. To download an application form go to www.gamusic.co.uk or for more information email Anne Ingram at holidaycourses@gamusic.co.uk.

(I enjoyed) the fact that you switch between playing music and playing games.

Anyone with a caravan they could lend to GAM for one week or more during the summer courses, to be used by adults at the Churcham site, please contact Anne Ingram on 01452 522170 or speak to Janet in the office.

Friends of GAM

....for the benefit of you and your child....

Thank you for supporting our successful first fundraising event which raised £90 and will go towards a new Hoover! Imogen Graylis won first prize for the Easter Box competition. Since we started we have achieved a lot: we have a name (Friends of GAM or Fr.O.G.); & GAM is regularly cleaned. A big thank you to Sally Wild for making curtains for the kitchen cupboards and to Pauline Jones for sorting the music sheets. We will be running two stalls for the summer fete, "Sell your own music and instrument" will be one. Please bring your music or instrument to GAM beforehand clearly labelled with the date name & price. Fr.O.G. will take 10% of the price if sold. Please come to our next meeting on 18th May @ 7.30 or contact any of the members (see noticeboard) Please let us have any ideas you might have for more fund raising, there will be a box at the entrance. Please keep supporting us.

Free event

Carducci Annual Festival Highnam 15th—17th May 2009: Another chance to hear the Carducci Quartet play. Also **two free events** for children to take part in:
Saturday 16th May, 10am-1pm. Masterclasses.
Sunday 17th May—Family Concert. 11am, free for children & adults. www.carducciartet.co.uk for details

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