

# GAM

## Gloucester Academy of Music

Welcome to Christmas term 2007/8

We have an exciting new group on a Thursday night, between 6pm and 9pm, which provides excellent tuition in a fun atmosphere for students at grade 6 standard plus. Want to know more-e-mail us at [admin@gamusic.co.uk](mailto:admin@gamusic.co.uk) or talk to Glyn about it. Thanks to those parents who have helped out over the past term, more help needed with the cleaning and some DIY jobs *please*.

### More Opportunities for GAM students

#### Clarinet workshop

Saturday 1st December

Any age-grade 3 & above.  
Booking essential, forms available on website. £15.  
Register @ 2pm

#### Like to try Busking?

Why not get into the Christmas spirit by performing for the shoppers in Kingswalk shopping centre & Westgate Alleyway:

- **Saturday 1st December:** for singers & recorders
  - **Saturday 22nd December:** for Instruments
- Meet 10am at GAM



#### The Carducci Quartet at GAM

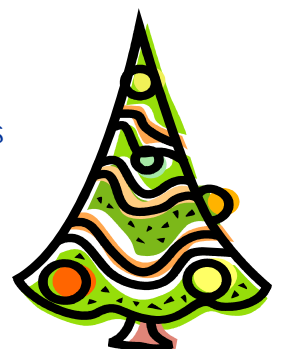
Thanks to a grant from the Ernest Cook Foundation, the award winning Carducci String Quartet will be our 'Quartet in Residence' for GAM senior students in 2008/09.

Aimed at aspiring young musicians in and around Gloucestershire, there will be a series of workshops and Concerts, which will involve the Local County Music Services.

### Christmas Festivities

Saturday 8th December – last day of term

- Junior Department Xmas concert to include performances by Sinfonia and the Wind Ensemble
- Special visitor from the North Pole
- Raffle (donations of prizes gratefully received)
- Christmas lunch @ 11A-menu out soon



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# Some more diary dates

## November Concert

- **Saturday 24th: lunchtime at 1pm**  
Following on from the first successful concert, this will be the next opportunity to play through pieces before exams

## December Exam Dates

- **Wednesday 5th:** GAM exams
- **Thursday 6th, Friday 7th:** Associated Board exams

## Come and meet the teaching staff

On **Saturday 1st December** after the morning session, Glyn (from 12.45), Jane and Dave (from 1pm) will be happy to discuss musical or other GAM matters. Make the most of this opportunity, come along and have your say.

# Holiday Music Courses 2008

We will be running our Easter programme; Adult Chamber weekend and two three day courses designed for young string and wind players. These sessions give a real boost to confidence and skills. For children who like singing we run a fabulous choir weekend in July. See website for details.

The themes of our two summer theatre weeks have been finalised. The Junior Theatre students will work on a production of *High School Musical*, whilst the senior students will develop their music, singing and drama skills culminating in a performance of *Wicked*.



There are a number of offers on the website which provide an opportunity to stagger your payments if you book before the end of December.

Thanks to Dave Clilverd for our newly re-vamped website which holds a lot of information about the courses we are running in 2008.

**If you want to talk about the Beauchamp House International Music courses, Dilys Wynn will be at Gloucester Academy on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November between 10.30 and 12.00pm.**

# Thanks to Prima Corda



*"I visited the Tall Ships on Saturday evening with a friend and we both thought it was wonderful. The lights, the ships' lighting, the atmosphere and best of all the youngsters in their evening dress playing classical music when we walked past the ships....many congratulations on a superb family evening".* A quote from a member of the public passed on to GAM by Mhairi Smith, organiser of the event for Gloucester Council.