

# GAM

## Gloucester Academy of Music

### Welcome to 2007/8

We trust you had a relaxing summer break. We had a lively first week and enjoyed seeing our students again. We are delighted to see so many new faces - if you are new and feeling a bit confused, let us know and someone will explain things.

Sadly we have had to say goodbye to Suzanne, our valuable administrator. Until the financial situation stabilises, the administration for the term time and holiday courses will be done by volunteers. There will be a greater reliance on the website, which is in the process of a major 'makeover'. You will be able to access term dates and the full programme, including times, from the comfort of your own home. If you haven't yet completed your 2007 application form it can be downloaded from the website.

### Concerts & events

**Saturday 5th October:** ESO side by side with Prima Corda, GAMs advanced string ensemble, at the Cathedral. TICKETS HALF PRICE for all GAM students and their parents-ask for 'student tickets' at the Tourist Information Centre on 01452 396572 Or ESO box office on 01386 791044.

#### GAM lunchtime informal concerts

All welcome but slots limited, so if you would like to play see Glyn. Dates are:

- Saturday 13th October
- Saturday 24th November

Excellent opportunity for students to play through pieces before exams.

#### Barn Dance

Look out for posters! A fun evening for all the family, from toddlers upwards is planned so don't miss it!

### Help wanted

Please help with some of the jobs that need doing whilst waiting for your child in a session or a lesson. Just add your name to the list by the tuck table and someone will contact you, or speak to someone in the office.

Of course, if you can spare longer then we will be delighted!

Jobs range from making staff coffee on Saturday mornings to doing a spot of cleaning during the week.

You will no doubt have noticed the numerous DIY jobs that need doing as well! There are also some office jobs.

### All profits to GAM

Catalogues now here for your Xmas cards & sundries. Orders need to be in by the end of October - don't delay!

### Free Car Parking

However, you will need a permit to park at the rear of the old Fleece Hotel. This will ensure that you are not locked in! Please see Janet or Cath in the office.

[www.gamusic.co.uk](http://www.gamusic.co.uk)

# Summer happenings

## The summer courses

This summer saw a successful return for our summer courses to our old home at Beauchamp House. It was nice to see our students pitching tents with old friends, and judging from the feedback, we have some new dedicated followers. As usual our talented teachers and dedicated welfare teams made the summer weeks an opportunity for the students to make great strides in their



playing ability, explore new musical styles and have a fabulous time, in spite of it being the wettest summer on record.

We are just putting the finishing touches to our spring and summer programme for 2008. Dates on website, more information and photos to follow. Like to join us next year and want to know more? Speak/email Dilys [dilys@gamusic.co.uk](mailto:dilys@gamusic.co.uk).

**Early booking discounts for 2008**

## Three Choirs Festival

Thanks to the many senior students who busked outside the Cathedral during the Festival week. It was enjoyable and created considerable interest in GAM.

### Easter 2008 courses

**Book now for 'early bird' discounts.** Details on website or from [dilys@gamusic.co.uk](mailto:dilys@gamusic.co.uk)

### Autumn 2007 exam dates

1st week in December for GAM and Associated Board (provisional)

## Congratulations

### Associated Board

Grade 2 violin, Emily Hickman, pass  
Grade 2 violin, Thomas Hall, Merit  
Grade 2 piano, Annabelle Cook, pass  
Grade 4 violin, Zack Miller, pass  
Grade 5 cello, Samuel King, merit  
Grade 5 sax, Jonathon Mowday, merit  
Grade 5 cello, Haydn Wynn, merit  
Grade 5 theory, Annabelle Cook  
Grade 6 violin, Robyn Wynn, merit  
Grade 6 cello, Andrew Swait, distinction  
Grade 6 clarinet, Ali Barnard, pass  
Grade 7 sax, Rosemary Jones, pass  
Grade 7 violin, Rosemary Hawken, merit  
Grade 7 violin, Bethan Jones, merit  
Grade 8 double bass, Jessie Pyewell, merit

### GAM

Prelim violin, Alexander Stefanyszyn, distinction  
Prelim violin, Bethany Tyrell, distinction  
Grade 2 cello, Alice Stanton, pass  
Grade 2 cello, Laurie White, distinction

### GCSE

Grade A: Robyn Wynn, Emily Docherty, Ian Docherty, Rosemary Hawken  
Grade B: Heather Hawken, Kate Docherty  
Grade C: Rosie Docherty

### Trinity Guildhall

Grade 3 violin, Emily King, pass

**Any one missed out?** Let the office know and you will be included in the next newsletter