

Aylesbury Music Centre



Newsletter

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AMC Newsletters contain important information for Parents & Students alike.

TERM DATES (NB...dates refer to Music Centre schedules, not to 'music lessons in schools')

Summer term 2009: Commences: Sat 25th April (weekday groups from 27th April)
Bank Holiday: May 4th – Closed.
Half term: AMC closed 23rd May – 30th May inclusive
Last AMC sessions: Monday 13th July.

Autumn term 2009: Commences: Sat 12th September (weekday groups from 14th Sept)
Half term: AMC closed 24th – 31st October inclusive
Last AMC sessions: Saturday 5th December

AMC SUMMER EVENT

This event due to unfortunate clashes of dates and activities will not take place. However, so we can celebrate the end of year activities we will be holding an "Open House Week" for all AMC ensembles the week commencing 7th July. More details later.

NEW HEAD – Suzanne Hopkins

I am looking forward to meeting and working with you all. AMC is an exciting, busy centre of excellence and I will strive to continue the work that Hugh Molloy has achieved.

STAFF NEWS

Welcome back to Roy Harrison, Debbie Davies and Michelle Dallas

WANT TO JOIN A NEW AMC ENSEMBLE?

If you want to join a new ensemble in September **NOW** is the time to apply. Details and application forms are available from AMC foyer, office and teaching staff.

PROFESSIONAL RECITAL

The final concert in our 2008/9 series of Professional Recitals takes place in the AMC Recital Hall on Friday 1st May at 7:30pm.

The **Puncinello Baroque Ensemble** present a concert of music from the French court.

Fascinating, varied, and featuring some rarely seen/heard instruments (including baroque guitar, theorbo and viola da gamba) – this promises to be of interest to all....

Tickets £6 (£4 for students).

FRIENDS of AMC

Student Quiz Night Saturday 9th May £5 per ticket

HELP

We think the AMC Big Band is the only school aged band from across the world to be invited to play to the worlds largest indoor jazz festival – The 2009 North Sea Jazz Festival, Rotterdam! Around 70,000 people are expected to attend, artists include Jamie McCullum, Herbie Hancock, James Taylor, Duffy. The band are looking for sponsorship. If anyone can help please contact the AMC office.

FEES:

- **Music Centre membership entitles membership of TWO ensembles:**
If your child currently access only one ensemble, you may like to have a word as to options for a second activity?
- *If you need to apply for help with fees – please complete a **Remission of Fees** form – available from the AMC foyer or the AMC Office.*

Basic Centre Membership for 1st child (up to 2 Ensembles)	55.00
Basic Centre Membership for 2nd and subsequent child (up to 2 Ensembles)	46.50
Supplement (if in 3 or more Ensembles)	12.00
Full scholarship (1st Child)	271.00
Half Scholarship (1st Child)	174.50
Full scholarship (2nd and subsequent child)	262.50
Half Scholarship (2nd and subsequent child)	166.00
30 minute tuition (Horn, Oboe, Bassoon, Double Bass etc (Instrumental lesson)	154.50
20 minute tuition (Horn, Oboe, Bassoon, Double Bass etc (Instrumental lesson)	105.00
Percussion lessons (usually in small group)	55.00
Theory, advanced Aural group classes (no charge for Scholars)	30.50

PARKING: On Tuesday/Thursday evenings & Saturday mornings please use the AHS Main Car Park (*NOT the AMC car park*).

In using the AHS car park **PLEASE observe the double-yellow-lines & the 'disabled' markings:** It is important that there should be **NO Parking or Waiting in these restricted zones.** Even if just 'dropping off' please proceed to car-park proper.....

Suzanne Hopkins - Head, Aylesbury Music Centre