



Strings Syllabus

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Rules

GENERAL ENTRY CONDITIONS for COMPETITION

Please look at the main website for the full Entry Conditions:

southendfestivalofperformingarts.com/entry-terms-conditions

Any performer wishing to know more about the British & International Federation of Festivals and its recommended guidelines please refer to:

www.federationoffestivals.org.uk

All entry fees are stated against each class in the syllabus.

Solos: Please see individual class information

Recitals/original compositions, duets/trios/quartets and the Edna Head Award: £10.00

Groups of 5 - 9 competitors (inclusive): £15.00

Groups of 10 or more competitors: £20.00

(Please note: We regret that we are not in a position to refund Entry Fees)

Adjudicator

Martin Wallington

Martin has recently retired from playing the Viola with the BBC Philharmonic, after 36 years in the job. A graduate of Chetham's School Of Music and The Royal Northern College Of Music, he has enjoyed an exciting and fulfilling career playing in many of the finest concert halls in Europe, North and South America, China and Japan, as well as the BBC Proms and all the major concert venues in the UK.

Martin is hugely committed to his involvement in music education. He regularly advises senior students at the beginning of their professional career, and was for a number of years a Mentor for the BBC Philharmonic/RNCM Professional Access Scheme, where students spend time working alongside their mentor in the professional working environment. In addition to his playing commitments, he has always had a busy private teaching practice, as well as teaching for a number of years in the Music Department at Manchester University.

Martin has been increasingly in demand as an Adjudicator both at school music competitions and at a number of regional music festivals. He loves encouraging young people on their 'journey' to

discovering the joy of making live music.

Away from music, Martin is a fluent French speaker and loves 'escaping' to France on holiday. He is a keen walker and will often be found hiking around the Yorkshire Wolds where he now lives with his wife (a cello teacher), 2 huge cats and 2 crazy dogs!

SOLOS

Class	Age	Time	Fee
3000 SENIOR RECITAL CLASS - Any stringed instrument (Amateur or Professional) A programme of contrasting pieces; balance of programme will be taken into consideration. Award: The Winifred Nancarrow Challenge Cup, Cash Prize of £25 donated by Jena Pang	16 and over	Up to 20 mins	£10.00
3020 JUNIOR RECITAL CLASS - Any stringed instrument A programme of contrasting pieces; balance of programme will be taken into consideration. Award: The Marjorie Bose Memorial Cup, The Joyce & Bobby Birn Memorial Cash Prize of £25	15 and under	Up to 15 mins	£10.00
3040 CONCERTO CLASS - Any Stringed Instrument (Amateur or Professional) One movement from any Concerto. Award: The Robert Carrodus Memorial Bowl	Any	Up to 15 mins	£10.00
3050 BAROQUE CLASS - Any stringed instrument Any stringed instrument (including Plucked) Own choice of any work from the Baroque period. Award: The Sheila Marshall Memorial Cup	Any	Up to 10 mins	£8.00 (Under 18 £7.00)
3070 VIOLIN OR VIOLA SOLO - Own Choice (16yrs and over) Own choice of one piece. Award: The Dorothy Ventris Trophy (Senior Violin)	16 and over	Up to 10 mins	£8.00 (Under 18 £7.00)
3080 VIOLIN OR VIOLA SOLO - Own Choice (15yrs and under) Own choice of one piece. Award: The Jena Pang - Brenda Farrow Rose Bowl	15 and under	Up to 8 mins	£7.00
3090 SENIOR CONTEMPORARY MUSIC (INCLUDING FILM AND SHOW MUSIC) - Any stringed instrument Own choice of music composed from 1900 onwards. (16years and over) Award: The Wilfrid Waller Memorial Cup	16 and over	Up to 10 mins	£8.00 (Under 18 £7.00)
3110 JUNIOR CONTEMPORARY MUSIC (INCLUDING FILM AND SHOW MUSIC) - Any stringed instrument Own choice of music composed from 1900 onwards. (15yrs and under) Award: Cowan Cup	15 and under	Up to 8 mins	£7.00

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3120 VIOLIN or VIOLA SOLO - Set Piece (15yrs and under) Choice of either: a) Midnight Song (K&D Blackwell, Fiddle/Viola Time Sprinters; OUP) or b) The Wee Cooper O'Fife (K&D Blackwell, Fiddle/Viola Time Runners; OUP)	15 and under	Up to 2 mins	£7.00
3130 VIOLIN or VIOLA SOLO - Own choice (11-13 yrs) Own choice of piece Award: Cash Prize of £10 donated by Jena Pang	Age 11 - 13	Up to 5 mins	£7.00
3140 VIOLIN or VIOLA SOLO - Set Piece (10yrs and under) Choice of either: Fiddle Time (Fiddle Time Joggers; OUP) or Viola Time (Viola Time Joggers; OUP) by Kathy & David Blackwell	10 and under	Up to 2 mins	£7.00
3150 VIOLIN or VIOLA SOLO - Own choice (9 - 10yrs) Own choice Award: The Terry Birdseye Cup for Strings & Cash Prize of £15	Age 9 - 10	Up to 3 mins	£7.00
3180 VIOLIN or VIOLA SOLO - Set piece (8yrs and under) Set Piece: So There! (Fiddle/ Viola Time Joggers, OUP) by Kathy and David Blackwell	8 and under	Up to 2 mins	£7.00
3190 VIOLIN or VIOLA SOLO - Own choice (8yrs and under) Own choice of 1 or 2 pieces	8 and under	Up to 3 mins	£7.00

NOVICE CLASSES AND NON-COMPETITIVE CLASSES

Class	Age	Time	Fee
3200 VIOLIN or VIOLA NOVICE CLASS (11-18yrs) Competitors must not have been learning either instrument for more than 18 months at date of entry. Own choice of one or two pieces.	Age 11 - 18	Up to 3 mins	£7.00
3205 VIOLIN or VIOLA NOVICE CLASS (10yrs and under) Competitors must not have been learning either instrument for more than 18 months at date of entry. Own choice of one or two pieces.	10 and under	Up to 2 mins	£7.00

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Class	Age	Time	Fee
3210 ADULT LEARNERS - Any Stringed Instrument Own choice. This Class is intended for those who are learning a stringed instrument in their adult years.	18 and over	Up to 5 mins	£8.00
3220 'CELLO SOLO (Any age) Own choice Award: The Dorothy Ventris Trophy (Senior 'Cello)	Any	Up to 10 mins	£8.00 (Under 18 £7.00)
3240 'CELLO SOLO - Set Piece (15yrs and under) Set Piece: Arlequin - Trowell (12 Morceaux Faciles Volume 4, Schott Music)	15 and under	Up to 2 mins	£7.00
3250 'CELLO SOLO - Own choice (15yrs and under) Own choice. Award: The Kathryn Ash Memorial Cup	15 and under	Up to 8 mins	£7.00
3260 'CELLO SOLO - Set Piece (12yrs and under) Set Piece: German Dance - Mozart (Violoncello Music for Beginners Vol 1 no. 14, Editio Musica Budapest)	12 and under	Up to 1 min	£7.00
3270 'CELLO SOLO - Own choice (12yrs and under) Own choice.	12 and under	Up to 5 mins	£7.00
3280 'CELLO SOLO - Set Piece (10yrs and under) Set Piece: Air by Lully (Violoncello Music Vol 1 no. 10; Editio Budapest)	10 and under	Up to 1 min	£7.00
3290 'CELLO SOLO - Own choice (10yrs and under) Own choice. Award: The Gwen Horrigan MBE Memorial Trophy	10 and under	Up to 3 mins	£7.00
3300 'CELLO SOLO - Set Piece (8yrs and under) Set Piece: At the Castle Gates - Alan Bullard (Party Time, ABRSM)	8 and under	Up to 2 mins	£7.00
3310 'CELLO SOLO - Own choice (8yrs and under) Own choice of 1 or 2 pieces.	8 and under	Up to 3 mins	£7.00

NOVICE CLASSES AND NON-COMPETITIVE CLASSES

Class	Age	Time	Fee
3320 'CELLO and BASS NOVICES (18yrs and under) Competitors must not have been learning for more than 18 months at date of entry. Own choice of 1 or 2 pieces.	18 and under	Up to 3 mins	£7.00
3330 'CELLO and BASS NOVICES (12yrs and under) Competitors must not have been learning for more than 18 months at date of entry. Own choice of 1 or 2 pieces.	12 and under	Up to 3 mins	£7.00

SOLOS

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3340 DOUBLE BASS SOLO Own choice - any age	Any	Up to 10 mins	£8.00 (Under 18 £7.00)
3400 HARP SOLO Own choice- any age	Any	Up to 10 mins	£8.00 (Under 18 £7.00)
3410 GUITAR SOLO (Amateur or Professional) Own choice Award: Multi-class: The Jerry Mayes Challenge Cup (Classes 3410, 3420 & 3430)	16 and over	Up to 10 mins	£8.00 (Under 18 £7.00)
3420 GUITAR SOLO (15yrs and under) Own choice Award: Multi-class: The Jerry Mayes Challenge Cup (Classes 3410, 3420 & 3430)	15 and under	Up to 8 mins	£7.00
3430 GUITAR SOLO (10yrs and under) Own choice Award: Multi-class: The Jerry Mayes Challenge Cup (Classes 3410, 3420 & 3430)	10 and under	Up to 6 mins	£6.00
3440 SENIOR UNACCOMPANIED SOLO - Violin, Viola, 'Cello, Bass Any orchestral stringed instrument. Own choice of music written/arranged specifically for unaccompanied performance. 16yrs and over.	16 and over	Up to 10 mins	£8.00 (Under 18 £7.00)
3450 JUNIOR UNACCOMPANIED SOLO - Violin, Viola, 'Cello, Bass Any orchestral stringed instrument. Own choice of music written/arranged specifically for unaccompanied performance. 15 yrs and under	15 and under	Up to 8 mins	£7.00

GRADED CLASSES

Class	Age	Time	Fee
3500 STRINGS INITIAL AND GRADE 1 - Any stringed instrument Any one piece from the examination syllabus of ABRSM or Trinity from 2010 onwards. Competitors must not have passed any grade higher than the one from which the choice is made and must not play the piece in any other class in the Strings section.	Any	Up to 3 mins	£7.00
3530 STRINGS GRADE 2 AND 3 - Any stringed instrument Any one piece from the examination syllabus of ABRSM or Trinity from 2010 onwards. Competitors must not have passed any grade higher than the one from which the choice is made and must not play the piece in any other class in the Strings section.	Any	Up to 3 mins	£7.00
3560 STRINGS GRADE 4 AND 5 - Any Stringed Instrument Any one piece from the examination syllabus of ABRSM or Trinity from 2010 onwards. Competitors must not have passed any grade higher than the one from which the choice is made and must not play the piece in any other class in the Strings section.	Any	Up to 5 mins	£7.00
3570 STRINGS GRADE 6 AND 7 - Any Stringed Instrument Any one piece from the examination syllabus of ABRSM or Trinity from 2010 onwards. Competitors must not have passed any grade higher than the one from which the choice is made and must not play the piece in any other class in the Strings section.	Any	Up to 5 mins	£7.00
3580 STRINGS GRADE 8 - Any Stringed Instrument Any one piece from the examination syllabus of ABRSM or Trinity from 2010 onwards. Competitors must not have passed any grade higher than the one from which the choice is made and must not play the piece in any other class in the Strings section.	Any	Up to 8 mins	£7.00
3590 DIPLOMA - Any Stringed Instrument (Amateur or Professional) Any one piece from the examination syllabus of ABRSM or Trinity from 2010 onwards. Competitors must not have passed any grade higher than the one from which the choice is made and must not play the piece in any other class in the Strings section.	Any	Up to 10 mins	£8.00 (Under 18 £7.00)

DUETS & ENSEMBLES

Class	Age	Time	Fee
3700 DUET FOR TWO VIOLINS - Any age Accompaniment optional. Enter up to 3 pieces. Own choice. Duet Award: Multi-class: The Leona Phillips Challenge Cup (Classes 3700,3710,3720,3730)	Any	Up to 10 mins	£10.00 per duo
3710 DUET FOR TWO VIOLINS (12yrs and under) Accompaniment optional. Enter up to 3 pieces. Own choice. Duet Award: Multi-class: The Leona Phillips Challenge Cup (Classes 3700,3710,3720,3730)	12 and under	Up to 5 mins	£10.00 per duo
3720 DUET FOR TWO 'CELLOS - Any Age Accompaniment optional. Enter up to 3 pieces. Own choice. Duet Award: Multi-class: The Leona Phillips Challenge Cup (Classes 3700,3710,3720,3730)	Any	Up to 10 mins	£10.00 per duo
3730 DUET FOR TWO 'CELLOS (12yrs and under) Accompaniment optional. Enter up to 3 pieces. Own choice. Duet Award: Multi-class: The Leona Phillips Challenge Cup (Classes 3700,3710,3720,3730)	12 and under	Up to 5 mins	£10.00 per duo
3740 VIOLIN, VIOLA, 'CELLO, BASS DUET - Teacher & Pupil (16yrs and over) Own choice. Pupil only to be adjudicated. The pupil should pay a solo fee; no fee is payable by the Teacher.	16 and over	Up to 5 mins	£8.00 (Under 18 £7.00)
3750 VIOLIN, VIOLA, 'CELLO, BASS DUET - Teacher & Pupil (15yrs and under) Own choice. Pupil only to be adjudicated. The pupil should pay a solo fee; no fee is payable by the Teacher.	15 and under	Up to 5 mins	£7.00
3800 STRING GROUP - Any age Any combination of orchestral stringed instruments. Enter up to 3 pieces. Own choice. Piano accompaniment optional. Group of any size Award: The HSBC Bank String Group Trophy (Senior)	Any	Up to 10 mins	See notes for group fees
3810 STRING GROUP - 12yrs and under Any combination of orchestral stringed instruments. Enter up to 3 pieces Own choice. Piano accompaniment optional. N.B. Suitable arrangements may be used in this Class, but a copy of such must be available for the Adjudicator. Group of any size Award: The HSBC Bank String Group Trophy (Junior)	12 and under	Up to 10 mins	See notes for group fees

Class	Age	Time	Fee
3820 GROUP CLASS for PLUCKED INSTRUMENTS Any combination of two or more plucked instruments (guitar, mandolin, lute, etc.). Own choice. Enter up to 3 pieces. Piano accompaniment optional. N.B. Suitable arrangements may be used in this Class, but a copy of such must be available for the Adjudicator. Group of any size	Any	Up to 10 mins	See notes for group fees
3830 DUET FOR ANY 2 STRINGED INSTRUMENTS (Amateur or Professional) Accompaniment optional. Any combination of 2 stringed instruments. Enter up to 3 pieces. Any age. Duet Award: The Golden Jubilee Trophy	Any	Up to 10 mins	£10.00 per duo
3840 DUET FOR ANY 2 STRINGED INSTRUMENTS (17yrs and under) Accompaniment optional. Combination of any 2 stringed instruments. Enter up to 3 pieces. Own choice. Duet	17 and under	Up to 8 mins	£10.00 per duo
3850 DUET FOR ANY STRINGED INSTRUMENT AND PIANO Both performers will be adjudicated. Own choice. Duet	Any	Up to 8 mins	£10.00 per duo
3860 STRINGS CHAMBER MUSIC Any combination of 3 or more players, one performer to a part, not conducted. Stringed instruments only, including plucked, with or without piano. Own choice. Enter up to 3 pieces. Arrangements allowed. Group of a minimum of 3 people Award: The Helen Thatcher Challenge Trophy	Any	Up to 10 mins	See notes for group fees

NOVICE CLASSES AND NON-COMPETITIVE CLASSES

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3870 NON-COMPETITIVE MEMORY CLASS An opportunity to test your memorisation skills in a non-competitive situation, playing one piece of your own choice.	Any	Up to 8 mins	£8.00 (Under 18 £7.00)