EASTBOURNE COLLEGE

Spring programme January–May 2022 ARTS



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Welcome to the spring edition of the Eastbourne College arts programme.

Events are open to parents and public audiences and we warmly invite you to sample the wealth of artistic talent and professional expertise on show.

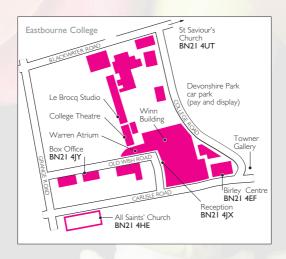
#### **Booking Information**

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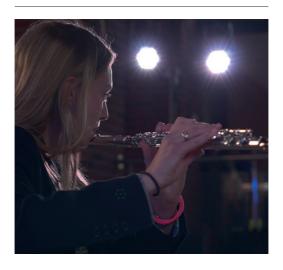
The College regrets that it is unable to refund money or exchange tickets. Please be advised that there will be a charge of £1 to mail out tickets.

Occasionally details of events change after publication. Please check with box office.

Tickets are not available through the Eastbourne College Box Office for some events.



#### Informal Concerts



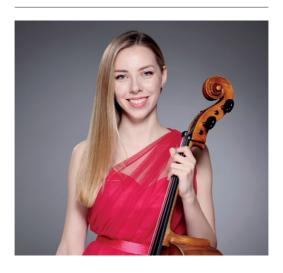
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### Birley Centre

Informal concerts provide a platform for pupils to demonstrate a variety of musical talent either as soloists or in ensembles. There is no entry charge and visitors are always welcome.

# Eastbourne Symphony Orchestra (42nd season) presents

# 34th Young Soloist Competition



#### Round One Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 January, 2.00–6.00pm\* Final, Sunday 13 February, 2.00pm–6.00pm

### Birley Centre

Established in 1988 as a result of the 11th Duke of Devonshire's generosity, this competition gives the winner the opportunity of performing a concerto with the ESO. In the first round, competitors present a 15-minute performance of a contrasting programme of their own choice. In the final, competitors present a 20-minute performance of two contrasting concerto movements.

An audience is welcome at both the first round (no advanced booking; £4 donation on the day; come and go as you wish between competitors) and the final (£10 entry on the door; refreshments provided while the judges decide).

More details from www.eso.org.uk or 07780 993801 \*exact timings to be decided

# The Birley Live Lounge



Tuesday 25 January 7.00–8.30pm

# Birley Centre

The long-awaited Live Lounge returns, featuring members of the College's Singer Songwriter Club, performing an eclectic mix of fantastic original songs and popular covers.

# One Million Tiny Plays about Britain



# Tuesday I February 6.45–7.30pm

### Le Brocq Studio

A collection of very short satirical plays will be performed by our Years 9 and 10 drama scholars: a compendium of nearly one hundred very short playlets, some running to a good few minutes, others barely seconds long. A virtuoso showcase for our talented College actors who play all the parts, switching, in a heartbeat, ages, genders, social classes, and so on; each play a glimpse into ordinary British life.

#### Gavin Robertson presents

### The Ghost of a Smile



# Tuesday I March 6.30–7.45pm

### Le Brocq Studio

The Ghost of a Smile takes two ghost stories by Dickens and adapts them for the stage. The words are straight from the original stories but the process of adapting those for performance, with few props and no vast set, turns them into a storytelling theatrical experience. One performer plays several roles, and minimal subtle design and sound effects hint at different locations throughout the two stories with creepy, yet comic results.

Adapted / directed by Gavin Robertson Performed by Nicholas Collett

Tickets £10 (free to Eastbourne College pupils) 01323 452255, boxoffice@eastbourne-college.co.uk www.wegottickets.com Refreshments available

#### Teri Walsh presents

#### Trees and Roots and Lines...





Trees and Roots XV (River Monnow, Skenfrith Castle)

Lines I (Cologne)

19 February–20 March Saturday and Sundays only 11.00am–4.00pm Private View Friday 18 February 6.00–8.00pm

# Birley Centre

Teri's work is concerned with the core structure of things. Recently screenprinting has been dominant using stencils, drawings and photographs, sometimes incorporating woodcuts. The exhibition also features ceramic sculptures.

Natural and man-made themes are represented by two bodies of work: Trees and Roots and Lines. Trees and Roots XV (River Monnow, Skenfrith Castle) was chosen for the biennial Print International in Wrexham in 2019. Lines I (Cologne) has been chosen for the 2021 event.

FREE ENTRY
www.teriwalshartstuff.com

### Piano Recital



# Thursday 24 February 6.45–7.30pm

# Birley Centre

An opportunity for a number of the College's many pianists to perform a variety of repertoire on the Steinway piano in the Jennifer Winn Auditorium.

# A Concert by Music Scholars



Tuesday 8 March 6.45–7.45pm

# Birley Centre

A concert featuring some of the College's talented music scholars.

#### ACE presents

# Alexander Eadon Organ Recital



Tuesday 15 March 6.45–7.45pm

### St Saviour's Church

Alexander Eadon started his musical career as a chorister in the world-renowned choir of King's College Cambridge. He trained as an organist at the Royal Academy of Music and, when not spending his time as assistant director of music at Eastbourne College, is also the assistant organist of Arundel Cathedral.

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#### Lindy Dunbar presents

#### Movement and Rest



9 April–I May
Saturdays and Sundays only
II.00am–4.00pm
Opening Reception Saturday 9 April
II.00am–2.00pm
Good Friday open; Easter Saturday open;
Easter Sunday closed; Easter Monday open

### Birley Centre

Lindy returns to exhibit her spirited figurative drawings and paintings. Often drawn directly from dancers and acrobats, her work captures both the continual movement and the brief moments of rest. Alongside the drawings will be portraits, landscapes and interiors in a variety of media.

As well as being a local artist, Lindy is also a visiting tutor to the College. She exhibits at London Arts Fairs, Glyndebourne and many other venues, as well as selling prints of her work to John Lewis. Lindy's forthcoming exhibition includes a dual show in Sweden with her son Joseph Davey.

Free entry

www.lindydunbar.co.uk Facebook: Lindy Dunbar

#### Eastbournian Society Chorus presents

# Haydn's Creation





# Sunday 8 May 7.30pm

New singers are welcome. Rehearsals in All Saints' Church except \* in St Saviour's Church.

Sat 5 March (2.30–4.00pm) Sat 19 March (2.30–4.00pm) Thu 21 April (7.00–8.30pm)

Sat 30 April (2.30–4.00pm)\* Thu 5 May (7.00–8.30pm) Sun 8 May (2.30–5.30pm\*)

Haydn's Creation with the Eastbournian Society Chorus and the Eastbourne Symphony Orchestra and Chorus.

### Circus





# Thursday 21 April–Sunday 24 April

## Birley Centre

A four-day creative arts festival of events taking place across the College campus.

Circus will highlight our talented alumni and current pupils as they present a range of exciting performances and masterclasses. Save the dates 21–24 April 2022, full details in the next arts brochure.

All profits from this festival will go towards our transformational Arts Bursary – offering individuals a fair chance to succeed in the creative arts sector.

#### Paul Mayhew-Archer presents

# Incurable Optimist



Thursday 21 April-Sunday 24 April
Birley Centre

Paul Mayhew-Archer will be performing his one-man show, Incurable Optimist.

Paul is a multi-award-winning writer whose credits include *The Vicar of Dibley, Mrs Brown's Boys* and the screen version of Roald Dahl's *Esio Trot* starring Judi Dench and Dustin Hoffman. He also produced the much loved Radio 4 shows *I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue* and *Old Harry's Game*, and as a script editor he has worked on everything from *Spitting Image* to *Miranda*.

In 2011 he was diagnosed with Parkinson's. It's an incurable illness that gets progressively worse and has over 50 symptoms. It is also – as Paul quickly found out – funny.

Since then he's had some of the best times of his life.

"Very funny, and moving too" - Richard Curtis

