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CENTRE FOR MUSICAL ARTS

NEWSLETTER


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Term Dates for Next Term

Dates For Your Diary

Current term ends:	Wednesday 26th June
September 2013 terms begins:	Saturday 7th September
Registration for ABRSM exams closes:	Early September
Saturday Sessions begin:	Saturday 15th September
Half Term:	Thursday 10th October to Friday 18th October
Term ends:	Wednesday 18th December

Registration for September 2013

Term Fees

Individual lessons:	Group lessons:	Saturday Sessions:	Camerata	Jazz
30mins AED2150	30mins AED1290	Full morning AED975	AED300	AED500
45mins AED3225	45mins AED1795	Half morning: AED 770 (Sibling discounts available)	10 week term	2 weekends

An email has been sent out with more detailed information about registration procedures. Please ensure that our email address, enquiries@cmadubai.com, does not go to your junk mail.

Reservation and payment can be made any time between 10am and 7pm, Saturday to Wednesday. To avoid disappointment and secure your slot for next term, please contact the front desk as soon as possible.

Any changes in contact details (email address and contact number) should be made known to the front desk before we close for the summer.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the front desk, who can advise you further.



Tala Badri - Executive Director

LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As I write this, we are approaching the end of another year here at CMA. And as usual at this time of year, I find it hard to believe that we are finished already! This year has been full of highlights, including excellent performances from CMA Students at the Young Musician of the Gulf Competition in February, a highly successful and enjoyable Spring Fayre in March, an excellent debut by the CMA sponsored Arabian Youth Orchestra in April, and 2 wonderful instrumental days - Brass Bonanza 2 in May and the forthcoming Planet Strings event. And all this on top of excellent ABRSM exam results as well as numerous Student Recitals and workshops held throughout the year both at as part of Saturday Sessions and otherwise. We'd like to say a big thank you to all students and parents for working so well throughout the year and continuing to support us in our musical endeavours. We are so proud of you all!

Even though we are entering the final month of the academic year and the temperatures are beginning to soar, we are by no means slowing down! If you are a string player make sure you take a look inside for some information about our forthcoming Planet Strings event – a full day of all things strings. It promises to be a great day, with a good mix of performances, rehearsals, master classes, concerts and more!

Our Saturday Sessions students are hard at work in preparation for their end of term performance on Saturday 15th June. This concert will be a great way to end a great and busy term, highlights of which include two wonderful Chamber Concerts in March and May where students had the opportunity to perform solo works, and a great performance as part of the Spring Fayre. If you'd like to come and listen, please join us at the Music Centre at Dubai College at 12pm on Saturday 15th June. Saturday Sessions is open to all instruments, ages and abilities and provides students with a whole morning of music making. An ideal companion to individual lessons, students study music theory, music appreciation and history, aural and ensemble skills. Registration for September is open now, and you can have a trial session at any point throughout the term - ask at the front desk for more details

Finally, check out the back pages for information about term fees and dates for September. Please write these dates down in your diary and don't forget to keep an eye on your emails for more information from us - ensure that enquiries@cmadubai.com is saved to your safe list. We are delighted to be welcoming three new members of staff to our CMA family next term, and are sad to be saying goodbye to two of our current colleagues, please see inside for more info.

Until September, we wish you a relaxing and refreshing break.

Tala Badri

Executive Director

CMA SATURDAY SESSIONS
SUMMER MIX
 SATURDAY 15TH JUNE
 12PM
 DUBAI COLLEGE



A mix of music to get your toes tapping for summer



Choir
 Strings
 Junior Wind Ensemble
 Piano Ensemble
 Senior Wind Ensemble
 Orchestra

CMA Staffing Changes

Emma Houlihan

Please join us in saying goodbye and good luck to our Woodwind Specialist Miss Emma Houlihan, who is leaving us for pastures new at the end of the term. We'll miss her ability to make us laugh and cheer us all up during long days and break times, and of course her woodwind expertise! We wish her all the very best for the future.

Augustus Muli

Also leaving us for a new adventure is our Vocal Specialist Augustus Mulli. We wish him the best of luck as he starts a new chapter in his life. We'll miss his big booming laugh, hearing the songs he teaches his students drift out from his studio and most of all, his excellent line in silk shirts! All the best, Augustus.

Frank Werge

Frank joins CMA as a new member of our woodwind department. Frank studied at the "Robert Schumann" Conservatorium in Dusseldorf, and teaches flute, clarinet and saxophone. He played in the German Army Band for 12 years and comes to Dubai after some years in Australia. He is a highly regarded teacher in all lesson types, age groups and abilities, and is experienced in teaching performance, theory and music history.

Alison Turriff

Clarinetist Alison received her BMus from the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama. During her studies she participated in an exchange programme which took her to Barcelona to study with Spanish Soloist Joan Enric Lluna. Alison then furthered her studies with Lluna at Trinity College of Music, London, where she won the Harold Clark prize for woodwind, and was awarded an MMus with Distinction. Further to this, Alison took lessons in Paris with "Supersoliste" Philippe Cuper. She has performed extensively throughout Europe and the Middle East, and her debut album "Distant Shores" was released in November 2011. Alison teaches clarinet, saxophone and flute.

Jonathan Barrett

As we extend our brass department, we welcome Jonathan, originally from America. He began his musical training aged 11, first on trombone and then on tuba. He has a wide range of band and orchestral experience with the Texas All-State Philharmonic and Band. Jonathan studied at Baylor University, in Waco, Texas, where he earned his BMus in Performance and MMus in Composition. During his time at Baylor, he earned many awards for his work in composition and conducting, including the "Best Original Composition" of 2009. Jonathan is a passionate teacher and conductor, who teaches all brass instruments.

Jamie Munn

Scottish Tenor Jamie Munn trained at the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama in Glasgow, and has performed as a recitalist, in opera and in oratorio throughout the Europe and Africa. As an educationalist, Jamie has taught and given workshops across Scotland, Kenya and India, working with organisations such as the National Youth Choir of Scotland, Starehe Girls Centre, Kenya Conservatoire of Music, Brett Lee Foundation, Muktangan and Gateway School of Mumbai.

Planet Strings

Centre for Musical Arts presents an exciting day of Music-Making, Performances & Workshops with a Global Twist for all string students in Dubai.

The day culminates with a performance by all the students coming together in

"The Great Big Planet Strings Orchestra"

This year Simply Strings goes truly Global exploring string-playing traditions from around the world from Bollywood to Buenos Aires, Aberdeen to Arkansas, Dublin to Dubai.

Featuring

Recitals & workshops by:

CMA Camerata
 Violist Becky Saxby
 The Dubai Quartet

Friday 14th June King's Dubai 10:00 am - 5:30 pm
 150 AED, all resources, drinks and snacks provided.
 Please bring a packed lunch.
 For information and registration please email: simplystrings@cmadubai.com
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