

YLSS Yorkshire Late Starters Strings



Wydale
2024

Violin

Viola

Cello

**Double
Bass**

You are warmly invited to YLSS's 2024 music-making weekend, at our lovely venue, Wydale Hall.

Weekend : Friday 24 May 3.30pm to Sunday 26 May 4.30pm

Study Day : Sunday 26 May 5.00pm to Monday 27 May 5.00pm



VENUE:

Wydale Hall conference centre is an impressive old mansion, surrounded by wooded gardens. It is on the edge of the North York Moors, about 8 miles west of Scarborough, set in glorious rolling countryside. See photos and details at www.wydale.org.

This is about 2 hours by car from Leeds or by train to Scarborough then taxi. Please arrange car-sharing where you can.

The conference centre is booked exclusively for YLSS for the weekend, including plenty of large and small rooms for playing. There is a big lounge and comfy library, where coffee and tea are always available, and a dining room where all meals are served buffet-style.

ACCOMMODATION:

There are up to 35 places available, in a mix of single and twin/double rooms. All rooms have en-suite WC, bath and/or shower. Towels are provided.

If you are willing to share, please arrange a room-sharer yourself and save £30 each!

All YLSS members and string-playing non-members are warmly welcome to the weekend. We regret that we cannot accommodate non-playing partners or friends in the group, except where their presence is needed to assist a player.

As Wydale is a rambling building, extended over the years, every room is different and most are accessed by stairs. Please note on the booking form if you require a ground floor room or few stairs.

PROGRAMME:

This will be another friendly music-making weekend, with three inspiring and supportive tutors. Margaret Moseley and Laurence Hughes will be joined this year by Ralph Dawson, a new violin tutor for YLSS. They will cover all the sections for 'late starters' of any standard. Double bassists please note that there will not be a specialist bass tutor.

Music will vary in style and difficulty, within the usual range of YLSS, but please come willing to be stretched!

The programme will be a mix of playing together as a full orchestra and smaller ensembles, as well as technique/sectional sessions.

There will be the opportunity to play in chamber groups, for beginners as well as for more experienced players. We will contact you before the weekend and organise groups and tutors in advance for everyone who would like to play in chamber groups.

On Saturday afternoon there will be a different music activity or the chance to explore local walks or to simply relax.

YLSS's unmissable, unbeatable cabaret is back on Saturday evening! We will contact everyone in advance to invite you to take part, on your own or in a group, but no pressure we promise!

THE WEEKEND:

You are welcome to arrive **from 3.30pm on Friday**. Tea and cakes will be served at **4.00pm**

The **first session** of the weekend starts on **Friday at 5.00pm**.

Dinner is at 6.30pm, followed by another full orchestra session.

The **weekend finishes** on **Sunday at 4.30pm**, following a playthrough.

THE STUDY DAY:

By popular demand, the Study Day on Bank Holiday Monday is back for 2024.

The day will be led this year by Stuart Hazelton, well known to YLSS, who has successfully led us through some amazingly challenging pieces on previous study days.

The Study Day can be booked including dinner, bed & breakfast, or as a stand-alone day from **10.00am to 5.00pm**, including lunch only.

MUSIC:

Music will be emailed to everyone who has booked, in advance, for you to print out yourself.

COST:

Weekend:

All sessions Friday to Sunday, accommodation on Friday and Saturday nights, inclusive of all meals and refreshments from Friday tea to Sunday lunch.

	YLSS MEMBERS	NON MEMBERS
Shared Room	£275*	£300
Single Room	£305*	£330

* A small number of places at reduced rate (£225 shared/ £255 single) are available for YLSS members on a very limited income, who would not otherwise be able to come. Please see booking form.

Study Day:

Sunday to Monday, incl db&b and lunch	£110	£110
Monday only, incl lunch	£50	£50



BOOKING: Booking opens for everyone, members and non-members, on **1 January 2024**

The weekend usually books up quickly, **especially single rooms**, so please **BOOK EARLY!**

Places will be allocated to **members** from 1 January 2024 on a 'first come first served' basis, when your booking form and deposit are received.

Places will be allocated to **non-members** from 1 February 2024 based on date of application and the balance of instruments in the group.

Violinists should be willing to play Violin I or Violin 2, as numbers/music require.

A waiting list will be held if there are more applications than places available.

To book your place: complete the Booking Form online and pay a **non-returnable deposit of £50 (or £10 if booking for Monday only)**

The **balance is payable in full by 1 March 2024.**

Please send full payment if you are booking after 1 March.

Your booking will be acknowledged. Final details will be sent out in May.

If you have any queries about the weekend please contact Jenny on 07948 211861 jenny@jennybrierley.com or Sue on 07742 196622 susan.watts197@btinternet.com and we will be glad to help.

IF YOU CANCEL YOUR BOOKING:

Before 1 March 2024

You lose the deposit

After 1 March 2024

You lose the full charge unless the weekend is fully booked AND we are able to fill your place

If for any reason the weekend is cancelled **by YLSS**, all payments made, including the deposit, will be refunded.

INSURANCE:

Insurance in case you need to cancel, or for your instrument, **is NOT included** in the cost. Please arrange your own insurance if you need this.

