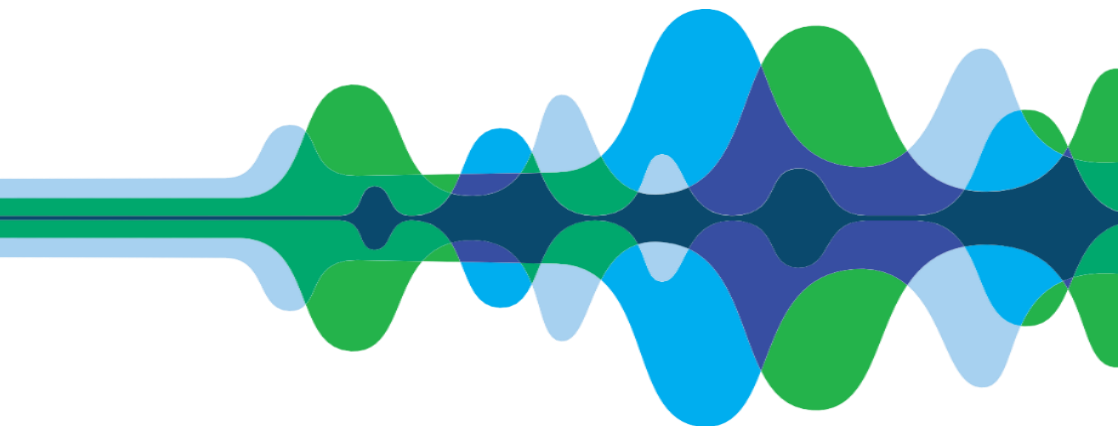


Senior Saturday Music Centre

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(Year 6+)



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Saturday Centre

The following groups meet at Camden School for Girls, Sandall Road, NW5 2DB on Saturday mornings. Our opening hours are 9am – 1pm in term-time only.

There are 10 sessions every term. If your child is a member of a group, we expect them to attend all rehearsals.

The cost is £62.36 per group. Financial help is available if your child is eligible for free school meals (a 50% reduction in fees).

[Apply to any group by clicking this link!](#)

Instrumental Performance

Entry Level Orchestra (11.15 – 12.30)

Details: Are you aged 10 to 12? The ELO is for players of any instrument from beginner to Grade 2 level who want to play in a group. Players will have music specially written for them to create their own music. There is a concert at the end of every term.

Next steps: Training Orchestra, Intermediate Jazz

Training Orchestra (11.15 – 12.30)

Details: Are you aged 10 – 14? This orchestra is for players of Grade 2 – 4 level who want to play Western classical music. It would also suit those young musicians who have taken part in school-based whole class tuition (Wider Opportunities). There is a concert at the end of every term.

Next steps: Sinfonia, Camden Youth Orchestra

Sinfonia (11.15 – 12.30)

Details: Are you aged 14+? This orchestra is for players of Grade 5+ level who want to play Western classical music. Recent music includes Gershwin and Haydn. There is a concert at the end of every term.

Next steps: Camden Youth Orchestra

String Quartets (10 -11)

Would you like to improve your sight-reading and listening skills with other string players of a similar level? There are also opportunities for string players to play in string quartets. These are led by a violin and viola tutor for Camden Music Service.

Next steps: Concertante, Camden Youth Orchestra

Guitar Group (11.15 – 12.30)

Details: For guitarists aged 11+ who would like to play music with others. The group would suit guitarists having lessons who can play chords and can understand printed music.

Next steps: Intermediate Jazz

Intermediate Jazz (11.15 – 12.30)

Details: For players aged 11-14 of Grade 2+ level who want to play with other young jazz musicians. Members improvise and experience the many musical styles and traditions that influence contemporary jazz. The group is led by Nikki Yeoh and Binker Golding, excellent jazz musicians who have worked with Camden's young musicians for many years. There is a concert at the end of every term.

Next steps: Camden Jazz Group, Senior Jazz

Senior Jazz (9-11)

Details: This group is for players aged 14+ of Grade 5+ level with jazz experience who want to play with other young jazz musicians. Members improvise and experience the many musical styles and traditions that influence contemporary jazz. The group is led by Nikki Yeoh and Binker Golding, excellent jazz musicians who have worked with Camden's young musicians for many years. There is a concert at the end of every term.

Next steps: Camden Youth Jazz Band

Brass Exchange (11.15 -12.15)

Details: For all brass players in Years 6 to 8 who have learnt for at least a term and want to play in a group. Brass Exchange would suit pupils who have learnt a brass instrument as part of a whole class programme or individual lessons. Players will learn to play a range of well-known tunes. There is a concert every term.

Next steps: Camden Brass Band, Camden Philharmonic Band, Camden Jazz Group, Training Orchestra, Intermediate Jazz

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Vocal Performance

Formed in 2003, the **Camden Youth Choirs** offer young people the chance to perform lots of different styles of songs to a very high standard. Over 100 children and young people sing in the choirs, which meet on Saturday mornings during term time. They record and perform regularly.

Camden Youth Choir (10-11)

Details: For pupils in school year 6 and up, and anyone can join! There is no audition. It is for upper (higher) and changed (broken) voices.

Next steps: Camden Young Singers, Camden Senior Singers, Camden Holiday Voices

Camden Young Singers / Camden Senior Singers (9-10) These choirs are for singers wanting an extra challenge. Membership is by application usually at the beginning of the year and involves an informal audition. Members continue their Camden Youth Choir membership.

[Apply to any group by clicking this link!](#)

Composition/Creative Groups

Soundsmiths (10-11)

Details: For any young musician who enjoys playing in groups to create their own music. Directed by composer Jared Bennett, this group offers pianists and instrumentalists the chance to work together to write their own pieces through improvisation. There is a concert at the end of every term.

Rock band (11.15 – 12.30)

Details: For young musicians in Years 6 - 10 who like playing and singing Rock and Pop music. Members rehearse and play well-known songs, under the direction of Jared Bennett. There is a concert at the end of every term.

Music Technology (10 -11 & 11.15 – 12.30)

Details: We run music technology classes twice every Saturday morning for musicians

of any age who want to arrange and compose music using Logic Pro. This is also an excellent choice for GCSE and A' level music students who would like support with composition and sequencing in their school curriculum.

Music Theory (10-11)

Details: Learning to understand and write music for young musicians who have completed Grade 3 theory ABRSM (or equivalent) through the *Discovering Music Theory* series. Students learn the written language of music with the goal of sitting an online ABRSM Grade 5 music theory exam.

[Apply to any group by clicking this link!](#)

One to one lessons:

The cost is £187.36 for 10 x 30-minute lessons. Financial help is available if your child is eligible for free school meals (a 50% reduction in fees).

We offer one to one lessons on the following instruments, subject to availability:

- Recorder
- Flute
- Clarinet
- Alto Saxophone
- French horn
- Trumpet
- Trombone
- Tenor horn
- Euphonium
- Baritone horn
- Tuba
- Violin
- Viola
- Cello

- Double Bass
- Piano/keyboard (limited availability)
- Guitar (electric and acoustic)
- Bass guitar
- Ukulele
- Singing
- Music theory
- Conducting

Talk to us!

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