

# The Big Guitar Weekend – Classical Course

Friday 4 November 2011

**10.30am – 12.00pm Registration and Guitar Ensemble Workshop I**

A great start to the event! All participants will work together as part of the BGW guitar ensemble, directed by guitarist composer, Peter Stewart. All music will be issued in advance of the festival.

**1.00pm – 2.00pm Lunchtime concert with Paul Galbraith**

The festival kicks off in fine style with one of the most celebrated players and innovators of his generation.

**2.30 – 5.00pm Masterclass with Paul Galbraith**

Paul Galbraith takes the students of the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland through their paces, working on advanced repertoire for both guitar solo and duo.

**3.00 – 5.00pm One-to-One Lessons**

Over the course of the weekend there will be the option to receive one-to-one tuition from the BGW teachers including; David Tanenbaum, Pavel Steidl, Paul Galbraith, Allan Neave, Peter Stewart, Michael McGeary and Matthew McAllister.

**6.30pm Royal Conservatoire of Scotland Student Platform**

A showcase of the outstanding talent at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland.

**7.30pm Matthew McAllister and Aisling Agnew**

Both graduates of the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland, the duo of Scottish guitarist Matthew McAllister and Irish flautist Aisling Agnew celebrates their tenth anniversary together in the place where it all began playing new works specially commissioned for their ensemble.

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Saturday 5 November 2011

**9.30 – 12.30pm      Masterclass with David Tanenbaum**

A rare visit to the UK from American virtuoso, David Tanenbaum. David will conduct an open masterclass showing encyclopaedic knowledge, his famous insight and detailed teaching methods. Not to be missed!

**1.15 – 2.00pm      Specialists Music School Lunchtime Concert**

With the help of a bursary fund donated by the Rolling Stones, the world famous Yehudi Menuhin School added the guitar to its roster of bowed string instruments in 2004, appointing Richard Wright as its first guitar teacher.

The three soloists playing for us this weekend fully reflect the international character of the school. Daniel Penney (12 years old) from Dublin, Kevin Loh (13) from Singapore and Rosie Bennet (15) from Surrey.

Don't miss this opportunity to hear some of the finest young guitarists around.

**2.30 – 5.00pm      Guitar Ensemble Workshop**

Part II of the Guitar Ensemble workshop where participants will work together directed by guitarist composer Peter Stewart.

**3.00 – 5.00pm      One-to-One Lessons**

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**6.30pm              Royal Conservatoire of Scotland Student Platform**

A showcase of the outstanding talent at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland from both Junior and Senior Schools.

**7.30pm              Pavel Steidl and Ian Watt**

Two of the finest guitarists in the world share a split bill for one unforgettable evening of music making!

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Sunday 6 November 2011

**9.30 – 11.00am      Masterclass with Pavel Steidl**

A welcome return of a true genius of the guitar world. Pavel's enthralling and flamboyant teaching has to be experienced. No words can describe...

**11.30 – 12.30pm      Class Lessons**

These will be conducted as mini-workshops ranging from technical work outs to exam preparation.

**1.00pm                  Malcolm MacFarlane and Kevin MacKenzie in Concert**

Two of Scotland's leading jazz guitarists join forces presenting a selection of their own compositions and some well know jazz favourites.

**2.30 – 4.30pm      Guitar Ensemble Workshop**

Dress rehearsals for the annual BGW Student Concert

**5.00pm                  BGW Student Concert**

The culmination of the BGW course, students have a chance to show what they've learned over the weekend.

**7.30pm                  Scottish International Guitar Competition Grand Final**

Big Guitar Weekend reaches its climax with an event of historical importance, the final of the first ever Scottish International Guitar Competition.

The Big Guitar Weekend classical course includes all tickets to the Yamaha Concert Series.