



The Silver Bugle

Summer 2017



New Programme Leader

We're sure you'll be happy to hear, Phil Davids has been successful in acquiring the Silver Programme Leader role. The Silver Programme has been without a dedicated and overall lead for a number of years now, and we feel that this post is vital to the programme's continued success.

Phil has worked for the Silver Programme in various guises over the last 10 years; from leading regular sessions, to supporting admin staff, to then project leading the Rock & Pop side of the programme from conception, as well as project managing the move, renovations and programming of the Linskill Centre's Rock Shack and St. George's Clubhouse projects.

We're sure you'll join us in congratulating Phil on this achievement.

Special end of term performances coming up in July

Silver Breves and Recorder Consort

Monday 12th June, 1 – 2pm

**Church of St Thomas the Martyr
Haymarket, Newcastle upon Tyne**

Join us for a lunchtime concert of vocal and recorder music featuring repertoire by English composers.

Retiring collection taken towards Church funds

Quicksilver on the Concourse

Thursday 13th July, 4 - 4.30pm Free event

Concourse, Sage Gateshead

Come along to hear this harmony group on Sage Gateshead's Concourse area. Grab a drink and take in the beautiful sounds of Quicksilver!

Silver Vocal Concert

Wednesday 5th July, 4.45-6.30pm *£4

Barbour Room, Sage Gateshead

Silversmiths, Silver Divas, Opera d'argento and Silver Madrigals. Join us for an evening of beautiful vocal music with performances from a variety of groups singing a wide array of genres; expect everything from Classical to Gospel.

Silver Carnival

Saturday 8th July, 12 – 4pm Free event

Heaton Park Old Bowling Green

All Silver Pan bands, Tambours d'Afrique, Silver Sambanistas and Silver Percussion Ensemble. Come along for an afternoon of uplifting Carnival music! With upbeat performances from our Steel Pan and percussion groups playing Caribbean, Brazilian and African tunes and rhythms, this hopes to be a great way to spend a summer's afternoon.

Silver Ukulele Show

Thursday 6th July, 5-6.30pm *£4

Barbour Room, Sage Gateshead

Silver Beginner Ukulele, Silver Improver Ukulele, Silver Ukulele Band, Silver Ukulele Ensemble & Silver Rock & Pop Ukulele. Join all of our Ukulele groups playing all your favourite toe-tapping songs in varying styles and genres.

Silver Shantymen Performances

The Silver Shantymen are pleased to announce the following opportunities to join them while they "hoist the yardarm and brace the rigging"

Friday 16th June, 7.30 for 8pm

£4.00 on the door

with Storiella and Euphoria.

The Globe Music Venue

11 Railway Street, Newcastle NE4 7AD.

Saturday 1st July, 1pm

The Old Low Light Heritage Centre

North Shields Fish Quay, NE30 1JA,

Part of the annual Mission Aid event.

Silver Folk and Roots Show

Monday 10th July, 7-9pm £4 on the door

The Cumberland Arms, Ouseburn

Silver Bluegrass Band, Pick & Mix and Silver Mandolin Orchestra. Join us for an evening of traditional Folk, Roots and Appalachian music in this perfect setting.

Wednesday 5th July, lunchtime

St. Mary's Heritage Centre

(between Sage Gateshead and Tyne Bridge)

Part of the William Shield Festival.

Silver Chimes on the Concourse

Thursday 13th July, 12.15 - 12.35pm Free event

Concourse, Sage Gateshead

Join us on the Concourse for this free performance.

Take a load off whilst listening to the beautiful sounds of Silver Chimes.

***Audience tickets available from Sage Gateshead ticket office,
By phone on 0191 443 4661, or online at www.sagegateshead.com**

NEW GROUP for Summer term
start date Monday 24th April

Silver Rock & Roll Voices

Come along and sing Rock and Roll classics from the 50's & 60's with Juliette Tate.
Every Monday, 1-2.30pm in C2

Solid Rock are recruiting SINGERS

Come along and unleash your inner Rock God!
For those that saw the Sage Two Rock Show before the Easter break, you'll know how energetic and uplifting this group are. The group play 80's and 90's Rock anthems with passion and attitude, and would love to have some new singers to make their sound even bigger! So if you've always wanted to sing in a Rock band and let loose, this group's for you!
Every Friday, 11am – 12.30pm
For more info, contact:
phil.davids@sagegateshead.com

Term Dates

Summer 2017

Monday 24 April – Monday 10 July

Early Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 1 May

Half Term: Monday 29 May - Friday 2 June

Autumn 2017

Monday 18 September - Friday 1 December

Half term: Monday 23 - Friday 27 October

Spring 2018

Monday 8 January - Friday 23 March

Half Term: Monday 12 - Friday 16 February

Summer 2018

Monday 23 April - Monday 9 July

Early Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 7 May

Half term: Monday 28 May - Friday 1 June

Sage Gateshead Ticket Office opening hours 0191 443 4661

On non-performance days 12noon - 6pm.

On performance days remaining open for thirty minutes after the start of the last performance.

Sundays & Bank holidays phone booking closes at 6pm.

Welcome Desk opening hours

Monday to Friday: 9am – 4pm / Weekends: Closed.

During opening hours, Welcome Desk can be contacted on 0191 443 4666.

Building Opening Hours

Sage Gateshead is open from 9am, 7 days a week unless otherwise stated. Building closing times vary. On performance days the building will remain open for up to an hour after the performance finishes. On non-performance days the building will close 30 minutes after the last workshop has started. Please note these times may change, please call welcome desk on 0191 43 4666 to confirm. Last entry to the building is 30 minutes before it closes.

Silver Programme from Autumn 2017

In these challenging times, Sage Gateshead has been forced to make difficult decisions in order to continue to provide the usual creative and varied programmes of events.

The Silver Programme has not had a price increase since 2014, but in order to keep up with increasing costs and ensure that everything will still be available in the future, we need to introduce a price increase from the Autumn term.

The increase will be £5 per term and £2.50 per half term (this works out at 50p per session) or £2.50 per term and £1.25 per half term for peer led groups (this works out at 25p per session).

New prices from Autumn 2017

Group prices:

£50 per term (£25 per half term)

Peer led group prices:

£25 per term (£12.50 per half term)

We will continue to develop all of the current groups and, do not worry, we will be keeping the wonderful team of musical leaders, although there will be some staffing changes elsewhere.

Multi-buy discount will remain available.

If you book onto more than one group you will receive a discount of £5 (full term) or £2.50 (half term) for each different group you book at the same time.

Please remember the consecutive group/s must be different (different name and time).

The discount is not valid for the next term or half term booking of the same group when only one group is booked.

The discount is only available for groups which cost £50 per term or £25 per half term.

You'll be able to start booking for Autumn 2017 and Spring and Summer 2018 terms before the end of this Summer term.

SILVER ANGELS

Silver Angels Need Your Help

- **Question:** What is the SILVER ANGELS?
- **Answer:** The charitable arm of the Silver Programme, run by a small voluntary committee, and raises funds and gives grants for all manner of Silver activities.

On fundraising it has been proposed that we hold a ticketed concert in the Autumn term 2017, with raffle tickets, Silver photographs and other goodies on offer. Further details will follow.

How Can I Help?

By volunteering to join the Silver Angels Committee. This is elected each year at our AGM. Currently only 5 of the 10 spaces are occupied. We wish to fill at least 2 of these vacancies. Those with fundraising experience are especially welcome, but this is **not** essential.

Silver Angels Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 4th July

12.30pm for a 12.45pm start.

Room C2 in the Music Education Centre, Sage Gateshead.

Cafe voucher available for all attendees.

For further details please contact Dave Winder at:

E-mail: windadmusic@outlook.com

07792-198-556 / 0191-234-0998

Quaylink bus services changes from 21st May

Quaylink Q1 & Q2

- The timetable on this service will be revised to improve reliability.
- There will also be a change to the route around Gateshead Quays. This will help reliability by reducing the number of times the service goes through the traffic signals around Oakwellgate. The bus stop at Sage Gateshead will now be served between Baltic and Swing Bridge, with buses running direct between Gateshead Interchange and Gateshead College.

Quaylink Q3

- Because of planned changes to the road layout in Newcastle City Centre, service Q3 towards Wallsend will now depart from Eldon Square Bus Station Stand E, instead of Haymarket. Journeys towards Great Park are unchanged and will continue to depart from Stand S at Haymarket.

- The timetable on this service will also be revised to improve reliability.

For further information contact Go North East.

Customer services: **0191 420 5050.**

Website: www.gonortheast.co.uk

Building Closures at Sage Gateshead

On the following dates Sage Gateshead will be hosting conferences which will mean restricted entry to the building for the general public.

June: Monday 19th & Tuesday 20th

October: Friday 20th

September: Wednesday 27th

December: Thursday 14th

*Entry from West side doors only (Tyne Bridge side).

*Green route in operation for participants.

*Temporary cafe in the MEC for participants & staff.

*Ticket Office access via the East doors only.

*The shop will be closed during the day.

*Concourse access closed to general public.

*Members of staff will be available to guide you.

*The car park may be busier than usual.

Busy building & car park

On the following dates Sage Gateshead may be host to special events which will mean the building and the car park may be busier than usual and certain areas of the building may have restricted access.

April: Wednesday 26th - Friday 28th

**May: Thursday 11th - Sunday 14th
Tuesday 16th - Wednesday 17th**

**July: Friday 7th
Friday 21st - Sunday 23rd**

August: Friday 4th - Saturday 5th

October: Thursday 5th - Friday 6th

New for Autumn 2017 - Rock & Pop Ukulele 2

A second Rock & Pop Ukulele group starting on Mondays from September at 5pm – 6pm.

More details will follow.

Silver Programme contact details

Email: silver@sagegateshead.com

Answer phone: 0191 443 5034

Absolute Beginner Mandolin

5 week course £25

13th, 20th, 27th July 3rd & 10th August: 11 – 12.30

Led by Tom Cronin

The aim of the course will be to give you an understanding of the basic skills needed to play the mandolin, and build a repertoire of simple pieces we can play as an ensemble. No prior experience is necessary!

On sale from Friday 12th May

Summer workshop sessions

On sale from Friday 12th May

Tickets available from Sage Gateshead ticket office in person, by phone: 0191 443 4661 or online: www.sagegateshead.com

Silver Singers Big Sing £4.50

Thursday 13th July, 1-4pm

Northern Rock Foundation Hall, Sage Gateshead
For members of Silver Singers groups.
Silver Singers - South Shields, North Shields, Stanley,
Stockton, Gateshead & Easington.

Silver Recorder Play Day £6 or £10 for both

Thursday 20th July, 11am - 1pm & 2 - 4pm

Come along for these fun and informative sessions with the highly experienced, Sandra Foxall. The workshops will explore a wide range of material and is open to intermediate and advanced players. Please email silver@sagegateshead.com to inform us of which recorder/s you intend to bring and play before Friday the 7th July.

Silver Folk & Americana Vocal session £6

Wednesday 26th July, 11am-1pm

For singers of all ability. Competent Guitarists welcome – Chord sheets provided. Get involved in this exciting singing session. Led by Bethany Coyle who will be exploring a variety of vocal pieces from the world of Folk and Americana for Singers of all abilities. Competent Guitarists (those comfortable reading from chord sheets) are also welcome.

Friday 28th July

Silver Swing Band 1-4pm £8

Silver Lindy-hop dance 1-4pm £8

These sessions aim to give a unique and exciting opportunity for Lindy-hop dance and Swing music lovers! The Silver Programme welcomes Alec Gamble, Lindy-hop dancer who will be imparting his huge breadth of dance knowledge, as well as Tom Cronin, our highly experienced Folk and Americana tutor. The dancers and band will start the afternoon in separate rooms and come together to share at the end. PLEASE SPECIFY WHICH SESSION (SWING BAND or LINDY HOP) YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND WHEN BOOKING

Silver Opera Vocal Technique £6

Tuesday 1st August, 1-3pm

Led by Jake Hardiment

The workshop will be divided into two parts. The first half will focus on practical skills, exploring breathing, releasing tension and increasing resonance. The second half will be an in depth look at applying those techniques to repertoire, identifying some of the ways that healthy phonation dictates the evolution of musicality in the world of Opera.

Silver Tubular Bells £7

Tuesday 8th August, 1-4pm

A workshop for various instruments. Led by Tom Cronin & Phil Davids.

This exploratory session will be taking the first steps into a much wider project led by Tom Cronin (*learning the whole 50 minute Tubular Bells piece!*). This initial session aims to seek and bring together participants to make up the core band and those who are happy being involved in the wider project. Open to competent electric guitarists, acoustic guitarists, bass players, keyboard players and drummers or percussionists.

More information to follow.

Silver Slide Guitar £6

Thursday 10th August, 1-3pm

Led by highly skilled Silver Programme musician Richard Sutton, this informative session will teach you all you need to know about slide Guitar playing and technique.

If you do not own your own slide, please email silver@sagegateshead.com

Silver Ukulele Special - Motown £6

Monday 14th August, 11am-1pm

Explore that soulful Detroit Motown sound!

This fun and lively session led by the Silver Programme's Ukulele extraordinaire Richard Sutton, should get your fingers clicking and toes tapping. For intermediate/advanced ukulele players.

Silver Guitar & Ukulele Special - Bob Dylan £6

Monday 14th August, 2-4pm

For guitarists and ukulele players.

A chance to play and sing Bob Dylan favourites.

A session dedicated to exploring the work of prolific political singer-songwriter Bob Dylan. Led by Richard Sutton, himself a huge fan aims to be informative and fun.

Open to intermediate and advanced Guitarists and Ukulele players that sing.

Silver Singing Special - Carol King £6

Wednesday 30th August, 2-5pm

Come and sing popular Carol King songs.

This choir session led by highly skilled and experienced Singer, Cath Stephens, who with piano accompaniment from Tim Jasper will explore the beautiful works of singer-songwriter, Carol King. Learn to sing vocal arrangements of Carol King and Gerry Goffin classics in this exciting session.