

Sunday afternoon chamber concerts

This annual chamber concert series is taking place once more starting on Sunday October 23 and then continuing every Sunday until November 27. The start at 3pm and the venue will be either Fellowship House in Willifield Way or the Quaker Meeting House in North Square. The concerts last for about one hour followed by a glass of wine and a chance to chat to the performers. By the time this issue of Suburb News reaches you, the first two concerts will already have taken place but there are four more on November 6, 13, 20 and 27.

Artistic Director Deborah Calland, who lives on the Suburb, has assembled a dazzling array of young professionals to perform for us. On Sunday November 6 the northern based Eblana String Trio will play trios by both Beethoven and local composer David Matthews.

They are followed the next week with a cello recital. Cellist Thomas Carroll has appeared as a soloist with all the major London orchestras but his love of chamber music has also resulted in collaborations with leading quartets. We welcome, as his accompanist, Nicola Eimer who has already appeared in previous series.

On November 20 the young British Soprano Lucy Knight, whose family live in the Suburb, will be singing in a special recital accompanied on the harpsichord



by Jonathan Gregory who, as most of you will know, is the current Director of Music at the Free Church.

Finally at the end of November, we welcome the newly formed Pomegranate Piano Trio who have recently performed at the Wigmore Hall. They will play contemporary music by Sally Beamish and Russell Hepplewhite but will then ring down the curtain



(Top) Eblana String Trio: November 6
(Middle, left to right) Thomas Carroll and Nicola Eimer: November 13
Lucy Knight and Jonathan Gregory: November 20
(Right) Pomegranate Piano Trio: November 27

with the Schubert Piano Trio in E Flat.

It all promises to be a feast of chamber music to lighten our hearts after the clocks go back.

Anyone interested, who has not yet booked, should contact the Box Office either by email on peter.falk@dsl.pipex.com or alternatively they can phone 07973 541264 for a leaflet and booking form, or to place an order for tickets.

Modern Jive Dance on the Suburb

An evening of smooth, modern jive dancing with a fun party theme is coming to HGS soon to banish the winter blues, lift our spirits and boost our health.

Local jive teacher William Comet, who has used dance to help stay fit despite long term back and knee pain, will launch a fun, Saturday night dance class and party in the Free Church Hall in Northway, NW11, for all levels of dancers, for adults and older teenagers accompanied by an adult. "If the night is a success, we hope to run regular classes and dances at least monthly and even weekly," he says, and is looking for volunteers to help launch the event.

The aim is to share his love of what he regards as a very healthy, accessible, sociable, versatile, gentle and flexible

form of exercise that has helped him tremendously and that almost anyone can do. Our style lends itself to dancing smoothly to varied, uplifting music from today's hits and from years dating as far back as the 1950s. As a bi-product, it is a great way to maintain your fitness and make friends," says William, 50, who ran a jive dance business in the 1990s, before focusing on a media career.

"If you can walk reasonably briskly to your local post box then you can probably handle this dance with ease and you can make it as easy or hard as you want," he explains. "You can bring friends or partners or you can come alone. It's completely up to you. And people with two left feet are welcome," he adds. "We know from research that

many people – especially men – find partnered dancing difficult and are easily embarrassed. So we aim to make it as fun and accessible as possible. The most important thing is that it should bring a smile to your face and to your soul."

"There are always lots of different people to meet and dance with, thanks to a proven format that we will follow. So you never get stuck with one person in the unlikely event that you are feeling embarrassed or uncomfortable."

"It's a relaxed atmosphere and we provide refreshments and even a tasty slice of cake – or healthier options for those watching their waistlines."

To book, visit facebook.com/jivepartyinlondon or you can ring 7183 6654.



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WORDSEARCH

Autumn marks the beginning of the year in some religions and during these months we are celebrating a variety of religious and not religious holidays. In this issue we have concealed the names of 20 holidays (religious and secular). An extra one is highlighted to start you off but please don't include it in your total! Names may be read in all directions, straight or diagonally. Please send your entries by email to cristina.lago@gmail.com with your name and contact details. The closing date is December 17. All correct entries go into a draw to win a £20 voucher from our independent local shop Joseph's Bookstore. Good luck!

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SUMMER WORDSEARCH ANSWERS, FACTS & WINNER
The answers to the last issue's Capitals of Europe Wordsearch were as follows: Amsterdam, Bratislava, Copenhagen, Madrid, Riga, Stockholm, Vilnius, Brussels, Helsinki, Nicosia, Rome, Tallinn, Warsaw, Berlin, Bucharest, Ljubljana, Prague, Sofia, Valletta and Zagreb. Did you know...?

- Europe is named after a Phoenician princess called Europa; she was seduced by Greek God Zeus when he disguised himself as a bull.
- Sweden has more McDonald's per capita than any other country in Europe.
- The most visited place in Europe is Disneyland, Paris.

Rosalind Josephs is the winner of the Joseph's Bookstore £20 voucher: congratulations, Rosalind! Thank you also to all of you who also sent your answers, keep participating!

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A 70th birthday concert



Hampstead Music Club celebrates its 70th Anniversary with a concert of instrumental and vocal music at 8.05pm on Tuesday, November 8 at Burgh House, New End Square, NW3 1LT.

At our recent get together for Suburb News deliverers we were asked to provide space to advertise this celebratory concert. We looked into the background of this club and discovered a surprising organisation, which some of you could well be interested in.

The club consists of about 100 instrumentalists and singers who perform both in different members' homes and in public and private meetings at Burgh House, other venues in Hampstead and Fellowship House on the Suburb in a continuing effort to promote the enjoyment of classical music. Since 2001 it has been an educational Charity.

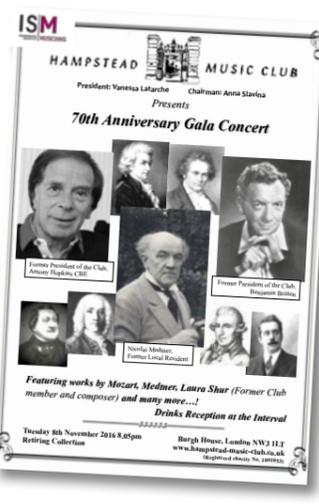
Apart from the performances, there are instrumental, vocal and mixed groups; coaching sessions in chamber music; meetings of a recorder group and of a motets and madrigals group; various master classes; illustrated talks and workshops.

The subscription is modest and is halved for full-time students and those on benefit

and for those who do not perform, but just come to listen.

It is worth emphasising that the club does not hold auditions for new members. All are welcome. The standard throughout the club varies, but all members' performances take place among friends and every support and encouragement is given to anyone who shares our enthusiasm for the making of music. Initial individual support is available to any new member under our mentoring scheme.

If you are interested, find out more at e-voice.org.uk/hampstead-music-club. Entrance £5, 8444 2669.



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