

Birthday party in the garden

Samling is celebrating its fifteenth birthday so we are all set to make this year's 'Party in the Garden' the best one yet!

Roger and Eileen McKechnie are opening their lovely home and garden at Dilston House near Corbridge for a day of non-stop music, delicious food and an art exhibition. Featuring a group of artists mostly new to Samling, the show will include abstract, figurative and landscape paintings, monoprints, jewellery, ceramics and glass — all for sale.

The annual auction promises some exceptional prizes, which have been gifted to the charity, including best seats for a performance at Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, a 'Vintage Teas' party, original art, holidays and sporting events.

With Sunshine Panners steel band welcoming you with their breezy Caribbean melodies and 5 Play brass ensemble making sure the day goes with a swing – whatever the weather we've got it covered – so rain or sunshine we're prepared.

Tickets for 'Party in the Garden' are available directly from Samling, with a limited number available on the day. Simply complete an invitation slip (enclosed with this newsletter) or contact us to find out more.

All proceeds from the day go to support Samling's work inspiring musical excellence in young people. Looking forward to seeing you there.

EVENTS BOOK NOW



SAMLING MASTERCLASS WEEK Sunday 15 – Sunday 22 May

Led by John Mark Ainsley, Della Jones, Paul Farrington and Caroline Dowdle, with eight specially selected young singers and pianists.

Samling Masterclass Wednesday 18 May, 2-5pm Hall Two, The Sage Gateshead Tickets £10

Samling Concert Saturday 21 May, 7pm Hall Two, The Sage Gateshead

Tickets A/B: £20.50 C: £14.00 D/E: £7.00 Available from The Sage Gateshead Ticket Office 0191 443 4661 or www.thesagegateshead.org



SAMLING PARTY IN THE GARDEN Sunday 3 July, from 12 noon Dilston House, near Corbridge

Our summer celebration with fabulous food and drinks, live music, original art and auction. Tickets in advance: £40 per family (2 adults and up to 4 children); £18 per adult, £5 per child Tickets on the day: £45 per family (2 adults & up to 4 children), £20 per adult, £6 per child. Tickets available from Samling. There will be a limited number of tickets available on the day.



SAMLING MASTERCLASS WEEK Sunday 6 – Sunday 13 November

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Samling Masterclass Wednesday 9 November, 2-5pm Hall Two, The Sage Gateshead Tickets £10

Samling Concert
Saturday 12 November, 7pm
Hall Two, The Sage Gateshead

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Tickets A/B: £20.50 C: £14.00 D/E: £7.00
Available from The Sage Gateshead Ticket Office
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SAMLING SHOWCASE Wigmore Hall, London Friday 9 December, 7.30pm

With Sir Thomas Allen and Malcolm Martineau, this Showcase features Samling's Scholars from the earliest days to its most recent graduates – Lisa Milne soprano, Kitty Whately mezzo soprano, Njabulo Madlala baritone and William Vann piano. Tickets £30, £25, £20 & £15, available from Wigmore Hall Box Office 020 7935 2141 www.wigmore-hall.org.uk

Dine with the artists afterwards...For these limited special tickets priced £125 contact Samling on 01434 602885 or email enquiries@samling.org.uk.



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NEWS

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Samling's smart new website, which is going live at the end of April, promises new sights and sounds.

The site has been brought right up to date and will be much easier to use. Including for the first time audio and social media, the new design will enable us to offer an enhanced events diary and archive and will feature interviews and video clips of our activities.

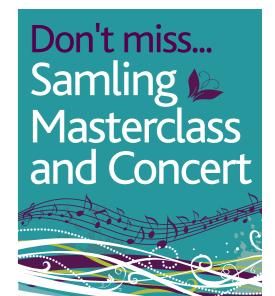
'We've responded to feedback from our Scholars, Friends and audiences' said Samling's general manager Claire Murphy 'and have come up with a fresh contemporary design with clearer page lay-outs and lots of new features.'

'It will be easier to book, donate and you will be able to access all our achievements at a touch of the button. Visible globally, we think that all those who drop in - for whatever reason — will get a real feel for Samling's work and its reputation for excellence.'



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Della Jones John Mark Ainsley Paul Farrington Caroline Dowdle

Tickets available from The Sage Gateshead

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or www.thesagegateshead.org

Introducing

Jennifer France

Eva Ganizate

Meeta Raval

Kathryn Rudge

Stephen Chambers

Benjamin Appl Elizabeth Burgess "I just love the notion that our children will hear some of the arias and choruses in the future and be able to say 'we learned that in First School!" Ali Barden, Head Teacher, Corbridge C of E First School.

Samling Outreach

Seven schools in the Tyne Valley came together for a week of activities culminating in a sell-out concert in Hexham Abbey, the climax of Samling's Outreach project this year.

Five Samling Scholars - Norah King, Anna Huntley, Peter Gijsbertsen, Jean-Philippe Elleouet and James Baillieu – and The Berkeley Ensemble joined over 280 pupils in a concert conducted by Paul Farrington, who replaced Len Young at short notice.

The performance included Andrew Carter's *Benedicite*, opera choruses by Bizet and Verdi and arias and songs by Puccini, Mozart and Tchaikovsky.

The project, which has been on-going in the schools since December, also brought classical music, and opera in particular, to 1500 students aged 8-18 in presentations and workshops in the schools.

A copy of the concert programme with images from the project is available on-line at www.samling.org.uk

