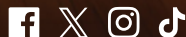


# What's On

Summer 2026



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Welcome to a summer season filled with celebration, with a fantastic array of new productions from our graduating students across drama, design, music and musical theatre, and the centenary of jazz icon Miles Davis.

Our composers open our season of festivals with Atmospheres, a weekend feast of new music and sound which never fails to delight and surprise listeners. Our jazz musicians take up the baton with the AmserJazzTime Festival offering four days of free performances, alongside special guest appearances by RWCMD graduate and Mercury Prize nominee Joe Webb, and Jay Phelps' tribute to the iconic Miles Davis album Kind of Blue.

Follow this by exploring four newly commissioned plays in NEW, our annual festival of new writing at the Sherman and Richard Burton Theatres; and we head back to the Sherman for our new production of 'one of the greatest American musicals of all time', Guys and Dolls.

Dance fans also have a treat in store with the return of the wonderful young dancers of VERVE, and Anthony and Kel Matsena's powerful new production BOY-ISH.

Finally, we transport you to an enchanted island for Handel's opera Alcina and bring you the combined forces of the WNO and RWCMD orchestras in landmark works by Strauss and Rachmaninov.

There's so much more besides, from puppetry to piano recitals, design exhibitions to chamber orchestras. Whether you're joining us for a performance or drinks overlooking Bute Park, we look forward to seeing you this summer!



Visit [www.rwcmd.ac.uk/plan-your-visit](http://www.rwcmd.ac.uk/plan-your-visit) to find out more about tickets, how to find us, groups & school bookings and more.



Our Café Bar offers a wide range of food, cakes and drinks, and is open pre-show and during the interval. Look out for our Drink & Snack Combo.



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Orpheus in the Underworld,  
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## AmserJazzTime

1 May-3 Jul  
5.30pm

Cardiff most popular jazz night is back this season with the next generation of jazz performers.

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[youtube.com/RWCMDTV](http://youtube.com/RWCMDTV)



## Cabaret at the College

Wed 13 May 6pm

Join us for a selection of vocal treats from the musicals performed by our musical theatre singers.

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## Sound Bar

Thu 25 Jun 6pm

A chance to hear new works from our promising young composers.

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## Balance

Thu 4-Tues 9 Jun

Balance showcases the work of graduating designers and stage management students, featuring designs created across the last two years for productions, projects and films made at the College. This annual exhibition brings together the work of both the individual creative design practitioner and the collaborative artist.

Linbury Gallery & Bute Theatre



**NEW  
NEWYDD  
'26**

5-12  
June

Welcome to Royal Welsh College's annual festival of new writing, featuring four new commissions from some of the UK's most exciting playwrights.



## Feral Threads

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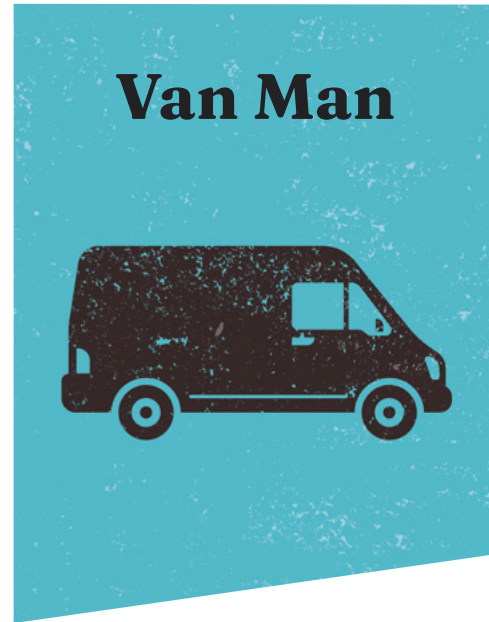
Fri 5, Mon 8 & Wed 10 Jun 7pm  
Sat 6 & Tue 9 Jun 2pm

At a young offenders institute, Tate is one day away from transfer to adult prison. On his penultimate day, he and his fellow inmates are showcasing their handmade quilts when buried truths begin to unravel and explode. This new play by Rebecca Jade Hammond explores the collision between toxic masculinity and the perceptions of femininity, in order to pose the impossible question; is redemption ever possible?

By **REBECCA JADE HAMMOND**  
Director **PATRICIA LOGUE**

**Richard Burton Theatre**  
Touch tour: Mon 8 Jun 6.15pm

Tickets 029 2039 1391



## Van Man

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Sat 6 & Tue 9 Jun 7pm  
Fri 5, Mon 8 & Wed 10 Jun 2pm

A man drives his van into the river. A crowd gathers, time dilates, gravity drags. Onlookers consider what to do before it is too late. It is impossible not to watch, impossible not to argue, impossible not to also dream and sing karaoke. A story about the fragility of a life from British playwright EV Crowe.

By **EV CROWE**  
Director **STEWART LAING**

**Richard Burton Theatre**  
Touch tour: Mon 8 Jun 1.15pm

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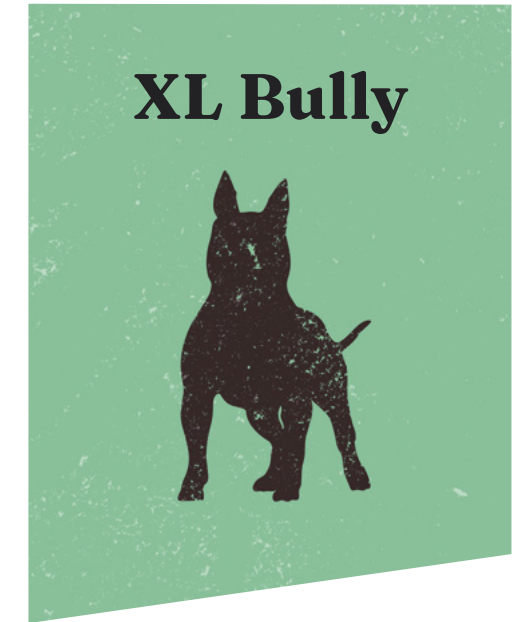
### That Last Summer

Tue 9 & Thu 11 Jun 7pm  
Sat 6, Wed 10, Fri 12 Jun 2pm

Cardiff. Now. A group of friends are summoned to the park. They discover that every single one of them is on trial. Who amongst them was responsible for the death of Aaliyah? A propulsive memory-driven drama, from the Welsh writer Azuka Oforka - winner of Best Writer at The Stage Debut Awards 2024 for 'The Women of Llanrumney'.

By **AZUKA OFORKA**  
Director **LEE LYFORD**

**Sherman Studio**  
Touch tour: Tue 9 Jun 6.15pm  
In Collaboration with Sherman Theatre



## XL Bully

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Sat 6, Wed 10, Fri 12 Jun 7pm  
Tue 9 & Thu 11 Jun 2pm

Eight friends take a shortcut home after a night out. They end up trapped in a locked room, with something unseen waiting on the other side of the door. As the pressure builds, jokes sharpen, tensions rise, and fear starts to take over. What begins as a darkly comic situation slowly shifts into something stranger and more unsettling. A tense, funny, and provocative new play by Stef Smith about fear, responsibility, and the stories we tell ourselves when we feel threatened.

By **STEF SMITH**  
Director **ROB WATT**

**Sherman Studio**  
Touch tour: Tue 9 Jun 1.15pm

1–6 Jul 7pm  
& 4 & 6 Jul 2pm

Ages  
12+

# GUYS and DOLLS

A MUSICAL FABLE  
OF BROADWAY



Book by  
**ABE BURROWS  
& JO SWERLING**

Music & Lyrics  
**FRANK LOESSER**

Based on a Story and  
Characters of  
**DAMON RUNYON**

Director  
**OMAR F OKAI**

Choreographer  
**SIMONE  
MISTRY-PALMER**

Musical Director  
**BARNABY  
SOUTHGATE**

Meet Nathan Detroit, a gambler, trying to set up New York's biggest Craps dice game whilst the cops are right on his tail, and Sky Masterson, who made a bet that he can win the heart of missionary Sarah Brown. This raucously exciting show, steeped in the gangster underbelly of 1950s

New York City, flits between the cafés of Havana and the sewers of NYC. Performed by the Richard Burton Company, this rom-com classic will have you singing iconic numbers like 'I've Never Been in Love Before', 'Sit Down, Your Rockin' the Boat' and 'Luck Be a Lady'.

**SHERMAN THEATRE**  
£12.50 – £25

**TOUCH TOUR**  
MON 6 JUL 6.15pm

Guys and Dolls is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI. [www.mtishows.com](http://www.mtishows.com)

David Seligman Opera School presents

# HANDEL'S ALCINA

26, 27, 29, 30 Jun 7pm



Composer **GEORGE FRIDERIC HANDEL**  
Director **SOPHIE GILPIN**  
Conductor **JAMES SOUTHALL**

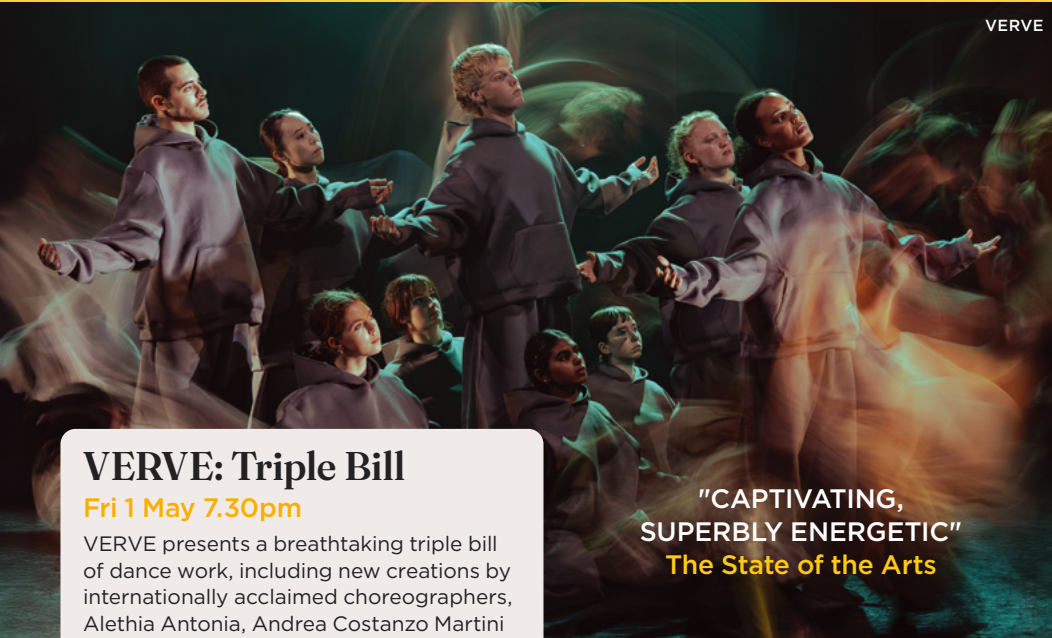
Handel's Alcina is set on an enchanted island where Ruggiero lives under the sorceress Alcina's spell, while his fiancée Bradamante arrives in disguise to rescue him. As misunderstandings spread, Alcina's power begins to

fail. Premiered in London in 1735, it features some of Handel's most famous arias, celebrated for their beauty and expressive power. Don't miss the David Seligman Opera School perform with full orchestra this summer.

**BUTE THEATRE**

**PICK A PRICE:** Thrifty £22 | Going rate £24 | Pay it forward £26

**TOUCH TOUR:** Mon 29 Jun 6.15pm



**VERVE: Triple Bill**

**Fri 1 May 7.30pm**

VERVE presents a breathtaking triple bill of dance work, including new creations by internationally acclaimed choreographers, Alethia Antonia, Andrea Costanzo Martini and Oona Doherty. Comprising 18 dancers trained at some of the world's leading conservatoires, VERVE is the international touring company of Northern School of Contemporary Dance. Each year the company stages an artistically distinctive, physically daring and dynamic programme of dance work.

**Richard Burton Theatre**  
**£8.50-£17**

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**Matsena Productions:  
BOY-ISH**

**Mon 15 - Tue 16 Jun  
7.30pm**

**By Rhys Warrington, together with  
Anthony Matsena & Kel Matsena**

Four young men break into their old school one night to drink, chat and go back to a time when they were inseparable. Back to the jokes and games they shared as kids. To the silly fun and the careless cruelty. To the hopes and dreams that warped and changed over the years as they became the men they are today. BOY-ISH is a new play from the BAFTA Cymru-winning Matsena brothers and acclaimed Welsh playwright Rhys Warrington. Told through music, movement and gripping drama, it shows the impact that mates and spaces have in shaping men's identities.

**Richard Burton Theatre**

**£9-£18**

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**Llŷr Williams:  
Shostakovich  
Preludes & Fugues II**

**Thu 30 Apr 7.30pm**

Great things come in small packages! The prelude and fugue is a musical form as old as Bach - a concentrated work-out for mind, heart and (of course) fingers. Shostakovich was never more playful - or profound - than in his Preludes and Fugues for solo piano, and today RWCMD artist-in-association Llŷr Williams completes his personal adventure through all 24 of these jewels of 20th century piano music.

**Shostakovich Preludes and Fugues**  
Op 87, Nos.14-24

**Dora Stoutzker Hall**  
**£12-£25**

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**Capital Youth Music &  
CAVMS: Music Night**

**Sun 19 Apr 4pm**

The popular 'Music Night' sell-out series returns to College with over 100 talented young musicians from RWCMD partner Capital Youth Music and music educators Cardiff and Vale Music Service, joined by leading Cardiff school choirs. 'Music Night 4' features pirate music from 'The Goonies' and 'Pirates of the Caribbean', together with popular melodies for all tastes.

**Dora Stoutzker Hall**  
**Free-£14**

**Sinfonia Cymru with  
Julieth Lozano Rolong**

**Sat 2 May 7.30pm**

Sinfonia Cymru and soprano Julieth Lozano Rolong create something truly special, as classical music meets the vibrant heart of Latin America. Julieth and a unique ensemble of six Sinfonia Cymru musicians - violin, trumpet, bass, clarinet, harp, and percussion - bring to life music rarely heard on Welsh stages. With music from Argentina, Colombia, Cuba, Mexico, Peru and Venezuela, the concert is a journey through Latin America. From the lush lyricism of María Grever to the rhythmic brilliance of Esther Forero, each song Julieth will perform was written by a female composer. Join us for one of the most unique and evocative concerts you'll hear in Wales in 2026.

**Dora Stoutzker Hall**  
**£10-£20**

From video gaming experiences and one act musicals to classical concertos and sound trails; RWCMD's festival of new music returns.



## Why Choose Love

Sat

3pm

A colourful and comedic illustration of true friendships and how they can change what's important to you. Don't miss RWCMD musical theatre performers in the new one-act musical premiere, 'Why Choose Love' that proves love can be found where you least expect it...

Composer **Max Fowler**  
**Richard Burton Theatre**  
 £5



## Stolen Lullabies

6pm

Stolen Lullabies is a piano concerto exploring influence, memory, and growing confidence. Built from fragments of music that shaped the composer, the work moves from a piano embedded within the ensemble to a more forward, assertive voice, reflecting a shift from absorption to ownership.

Composer **Trisha Viridi**  
**Dora Stoutzker Hall**  
 £5



## Daisy dreaming...

Fri

7.30pm

Help Zinnia and his cat on a mission to revive and reilluminate a hopeless, wilted garden. A unique and spirited collaborative video game experience, soundtracked by a live band, with a message of hope at its heart.

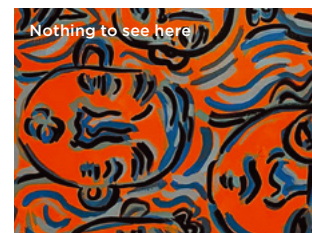
Composer **Jacob Owen**  
**Richard Burton Theatre**  
 £5

## The Mirror

7pm

Mirror is a haunting one-act chamber opera where one soprano embodies both a woman and her dead younger sister's liminal spirit. Supported by viola da gamba and chamber organ, the two sisters' communion explores guilt, trauma, and supernatural retribution in this operatic horror.

Composer **William Cox**  
 Performers **Juliet Wallace, Sarah Small & William Cox**  
**Richard Burton Theatre**  
 £5



## Nothing to see here

Sun

12pm

RWCMD musicians present a heartfelt concert showcase, mixing jazz and classical elements linked to experiences which have shaped the composer. A presence curiously watches from the stage, speaking their thoughts aloud and revealing details which could be missed by the audience. Audiences are invited to close their eyes; no visuals required.

Composer **Ryan Robinson**  
**Dora Stoutzker Hall**  
 £5

## Re-Solve: Rescue Mission

1pm

Follow a team of operatives, as they journey through a disused bunker to deactivate a relic of the past. How will the team face the age-old fears that rear their heads to threaten the mission? This work of instrumental music theatre, features distorted guitars and sparkling synthesizers, and is inspired by the crime dramas and jazz-fusion music of the mid to late 80s.

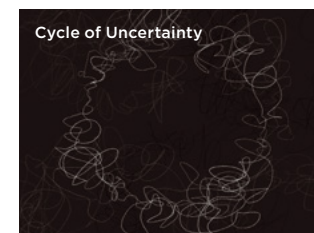
Composer **Valerie Mackerras**  
**Richard Burton Theatre**  
 £5

## Cycle of Uncertainty

3pm

Restless thoughts spiral through chaos, anxiety and loss of control. 'Cycle of Uncertainty' reveals the darker side of every human being and asks is there a way to escape the pull of endless, circling doubt? Featuring a vibraphone duet with live electronics, a cello solo, and a percussion duet.

Composer **Camille Chiu**  
**Seligman Studio**  
 £5



## D.K.A

4pm

D.K.A, Diabetic Ketoacidosis, is where the body lacks insulin creating acidic ketones within the blood. This improvised electronic performance with projected visuals explores a sonification of data between D.K.A and hyperchloremia, focusing on the difficulty of the illness for diabetic patients and the lack of awareness around the complications of diabetes.

Composer **Harry Lewis**  
**Richard Burton Theatre**  
 £5



## The Noise Floor Collective

5pm

The Noise Floor Collective draws together composers from across the spectrum of electronic music, exploring the realms of data sonification, live audio manipulation, and so much more. Join the NFC for music making, sound design, and electronic exploration, all completely improvised.

Composers **Elaina Sophie, Finn Heathfield, Rhian Christabel, Harry Lewis, Milad Mardakkeh & Odilon Marcanaro**  
**Dora Stoutzker Hall**  
 £5



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**Pop-up Operas**

Free

**Piano Lesson**

Sat 9 May 4pm

Piano Lesson is a daring new opera by an emerging composer, redefining the genre through an intense musical dialogue between voice and strings. Performed by two baritones, violin, cello, double bass, and conductor, it satirises classical training while revealing the human cost of artistic pressure.

Composers **Xander Wallis & Holly Pei**  
 Director **Tetiana Hnatiuk**  
 Carne Foyer

**Swan of the Troubadour**

Sun 10 May 2pm

Upon waking from a centuries-long slumber, a wandering troubadour has one thing on her mind: freeing the Swans from the Monarchy's grasp. Having had lifetimes to perfect her song, she comes to you with a message: Will you hear the call of the greatest song in the world? Will you help free the Swans?

Composers **Theodore Poe & Olivia Oakley**  
 Director **Tynan Thorogood**  
 Carne Foyer

**Installations**

Free

**Plasticity**

Fri 8 May 1.15pm, 2pm, 2.30pm, 3pm, 3.30pm

Plasticity is an exploration of plastic recycling. We invite you to step into a sound-space dedicated to plastic. Think about how we use plastic in our everyday life and what the consequences of this are. Find out what you can do to make a difference.

Composer **Rhian Christabel Seligman Studio**

**Silhouettes**

Sat 9 May 2pm-4pm & 4.30pm-5pm

Shadows shift and stutter, passers-by blur, light and colours fragment. Hear the shapes around you brought into a sonic landscape, through multichannel sound projection and live electronic processing

Composer **Elaina Sophie Carne Foyer**



**Listen to the Background**

Sat 9 May 3.30pm, 4pm, 4.30pm, 6pm

Appliances are a perpetual fixture in our lives. We interact with them in single moments to wash our clothes, heat our homes, or just to get the milk. But do we understand how they work? This interactive installation explores the movements, motions, and components of white goods through touch, sound, and play. Don't tune out the hum; Listen to the background.

Composer **Finn Heathfield Seligman Studio**  
 Touch Tour:  
 Sat 9 May 5pm

**Scoring the Cosmos: Two Short Films**

Film

Fri 8-Sun 10 May

This film scoring showcase presents two short films, *Globosome* and *Space Cat Hob*, each accompanied by original music composed over the past two years. Created for the Berlin International Film Scoring Competition, both works explore outer space through contrasting visual narratives and musical atmospheres.

Composer **Yihan Zhao Carne Foyer**  
 Free

**Wake up: A digital Opera**

Fri 8-Sun 10 May

Caught between sleep and memory, a man reaches for the voice he's lost. As morning repeats and reality fractures, love flickers between presence and absence. A collaboration between opera and film to make something new.

Director **Jac Ifan Moore**  
 Composer **William Cox**  
 Librettists **Tynan Thorogood & Tetiana Hnatiuk**  
 Designers **Gethin Bevan & Alice Edgar**  
 Carne Foyer  
 Free

**Soundwalk**

Sun 3-Sun 17 May

Take a stroll through Cardiff in the company of RWCMD Composers! The Atmospheres Soundwalk locates pieces created by college musicians at certain spots around the city; walk and listen.

Composers **Charlie Jones, Elaina Sophie, Harry Lewis, Nina Martin, Louis Villard, Max Fowler, Valerie Mackerras, Qaira Ní Mórdha, Jai Martone, Micah Hedges, Artie Stephenson**  
 Production **Finn Heathfield**

Available through the Echoes App. Visit [rwcmd.ac.uk/whats-on](http://rwcmd.ac.uk/whats-on) for full details  
 Free





AmserJazzTime Festival returns this May with Mercury Prize nominated pianist Joe Webb and a Miles Davis centenary celebration with Jay Phelps.



Joe Webb Trio

21-24  
MAY

## Joe Webb Trio

Fri 22 May 7.30pm

One of the most formidable jazz pianists to emerge in recent years, Joe Webb is a musician with fearless technique, unmistakable style and a melodic instinct that lands with clarity, purpose and distinct Welsh flair. Commanding live performances with musicians such as Wynton Marsalis, Jools Holland and Jamie Cullum, his success was further amplified by his 2025 Mercury Prize nomination for album 'Hamstrings & Hurricanes'. This Neath born, RWCMD graduate, is joined by bassist Will Sach and drummer Sam Jesson in a gig that draws on the velocity and harmonic imagination of Art Tatum, channelled through a modern, British sensibility shaped by the melodic directness and confidence of Oasis. The result is bold, hook-focused and rhythmically charged virtuosity, delivered with style and undeniable presence.

Dora Stoutzker Hall  
£11-£22

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## RWCMD Big Band: Gordon Goodwin's Big Phat Band

Thu 21 May 7.45pm

With flavours of 1930/40s big band style and a side of funk and jazz fusion, swing into the weekend with the RWCMD Big Band and Ceri Rees as they invite you to

taste the deliciously groovy bandleading prowess of the late Gordon Goodwin and his Grammy-winning Big Phat Band. A virtuoso saxophonist and pianist, who worked with some of the greats including Ray Charles, Sarah Vaughan and Quincy Jones; there was no limit to Goodwin's compositional and arranging skills.

Dora Stoutzker Hall  
£9-£18

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Jay Phelps

## Jay Phelps: Miles Davis' Kind of Blue

Sat 23 May 7.30pm

Following sell out performances across the UK, Jay Phelps has assembled a line-up of some of the country's leading jazz musicians to mark the centenary of the world's most influential jazz artist, Miles Davis. Phelps brings together the best of Davis' music from the years which produced the album '1958 Miles' and the best-selling jazz album of all time, 'Kind of Blue' which featured the iconic line-up of musicians: Cannonball Adderley, John Coltrane, Bill Evans, Wynton Kelly, Paul Chambers and Jimmy Cobb. These albums defined a ground-breaking new approach to the art of improvisation.

Dora Stoutzker Hall  
£12.50-£25

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## Free Performances

Be the first to experience the next generation of jazz musicians with a whole host of free performances across the weekend.

Visit [www.rwcmd.ac.uk/whats-on](http://www.rwcmd.ac.uk/whats-on) for a full programme of events.





### The Kanneh-Masons

Sun 14 Jun 7pm

You can't have missed the buzz around The Kanneh-Masons; one of Britain's most musical families. Describing themselves as a quarter Welsh, this extraordinary ensemble give their first chamber appearance in the Welsh capital in a special Steinway International Piano Series finale. Hear Sheku, Isata, Braimah and Jeneba, who have developed into artists of extraordinary charisma and skill, play three chamber music masterpieces.

**Mozart** Sonata in C major for Piano Four-hands, K.521 (Isata, Jeneba)

**Ravel** Sonata for Violin and Cello (Braimah, Sheku)

**Shostakovich** Piano Trio No.2 in E minor, 67 (Isata, Braimah, Sheku)

**Dora Stoutzker Hall**

£38-£40

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### RWCMD Chorus: Songs of a Nation

Fri 3 Jul 7.15pm

The massed forces of the RWCMD College Chorus, come together under the baton of Director of Music, Tim Rhys-Evans and traditional Welsh virtuoso violinist, Patrick Rimes. Mining the wealth of Welsh folksongs with new arrangements by Patrick and Tim, the chorus will be accompanied by a band of some of Wales's finest musicians, playing alongside RWCMD students. Performed without an interval, this will be an exhilarating and emotional exploration of our ancient national songbook through a contemporary lens.

**Dora Stoutzker Hall**  
£8.50-£17

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### Affinity Female Voice Choir: Pure Imagination

Sat 20 Jun 7.30pm

Step into a magical evening of music as Affinity Female Voice Choir invites you on a journey through the wonder of Disney and Broadway. This concert is a joyful exploration of imagination in all its forms - heartfelt, hopeful, and uplifting. Featuring songs from the musicals Wicked, Sister Act, 9-5, Miss Saigon and Six, alongside Disney classics Aladdin, Pinocchio, Tangled and much more.

**Dora Stoutzker Hall**

£12-£15



Affinity Choir

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## Only Boys Aloud Academy 2026

Sun 19 Jul 6pm

The Only Boys Aloud Academi is a week-long intensive residential course which provides advanced training in all aspects of general musicianship, singing and performance to the older members of Only Boys Aloud. Join us for our end of course concert showcasing a variety of choral music from traditional male voice choir repertoire to musical theatre classics.

**Dora Stoutzker Hall**  
£20-£22



Welsh Chamber Orchestra

## Welsh Chamber Orchestra: 40th Anniversary Concert

Fri 24 Jul 7pm

To mark the Welsh Chamber Orchestra's 40th Anniversary, Wales' oldest professional chamber orchestra presents an engaging and wide-ranging programme, conducted by the Orchestra's founder and Artistic Director, Anthony Hose. RWCMD graduate Sarah Frances Jenkins's new composition Landscapes of Wales celebrates the orchestra, inspired by her time living and studying in Wales.

- Handel** Arrival of the Queen of Sheba
- Sarah Frances Jenkins** Landscapes of Wales
- Haydn** Symphony No.22 in E-flat major, Hob. 1:22
- Morfydd Owen** Threnody
- Mozart** Symphony No.41 in C major, K.551

**Dora Stoutzker Hall**  
£13-£20



## Lights, Puppets... Action!

Ages 7-9

Sat 4-Sun 5 Jul  
11am & 2.45pm

Step into the magical world of silent film with Esther, a shy but curious usherette who finds herself swept into a whirlwind of love, laughter, and crazy adventure. With visual storytelling, puppetry, live music and creative captioning, this show is made for 7-9 year olds but suitable for all.

**Caird Studio**  
£7.50-£15

Accessible for Deaf and hard of hearing audiences; There is no spoken text during this performance.

## Little Concerts: Percussion Playground!

Ages 0-10

Sat 27 Jun 11am & 2pm

Join brilliant young professional musicians from the RWCMD in a joyful hour of exciting music making designed around the learning styles of our youngest audience members. Joyful live music for families aged 0-10.

**Seligman Studio**  
£7 children | £7 adults



Janet Price Opera Prize

### Janet Price Opera Prize

Wed 6 May 2pm

The Janet Price Opera Prize was established in 2017 to support the advanced training of young opera singers. The criteria of the annual competition reflect Janet's long-held belief in one of the fundamental components of operatic performance, Italian bel canto. Join us as members of the David Seligman Opera School compete for this prestigious award.

Dora Stoutzker Hall  
£5-£10

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### John Ireland Prize

Mon 11 May 7pm

RWCMD is delighted to welcome back the John Ireland Prize, giving our students the opportunity to collaborate in performances of the music of the quintessential chamber master, John Ireland, culminating in a public final for both ensemble and vocal performers.

Weston Gallery  
£5-£10

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John Ireland Prize

### Sir Ian Stoutzker Prize Final

Wed 10 Jun 6pm

Sir Ian Stoutzker generously contributed towards the building of the college's concert hall and donated an annual prize for our most outstanding music student. Having crowned baritone Owain Rowlands as our 2025 Stoutzker vocal prize winner, join our outstanding instrumental finalists as they compete for this year's honour.

Dora Stoutzker Hall  
£6-£12

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Liszt Fantasy and Fugue on BACH  
Brahms Handel Variations

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Dyddiad Date	Digwyddiad Event	Lleoliad Venue
Ebr 19 Apr	Capital Youth Music & CAVMS: Music Night	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Ebr 30 Apr	Lŷr Williams: Shostakovich Preludes & Fugues II	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Mai 1 May - Gorff 3 Jul	AmserJazzTime	Cyntedd Carne Foyer
Mai 1 May	VERVE: Triple Bill	Theatr Richard Burton Theatre
Mai 2 May	Sinfonia Cymru with Julieth Lozano Rolong	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Mai 6 May	Janet Price Opera Prize	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Mai 8-10 May	Atmospheres   Awyrgylch 2026	Various   Amrywiol
Mai 7 May	Pedwarawd Fibonacci Quartet	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Mai 11 May	Gwobr John Ireland Prize	Oriel Weston Gallery
Mai 13 May	Cabaret at the College   Cabaret yn y Coleg	Cyntedd Carne Foyer
Mai 16 May	Samarpan: Double Bill	Theatr Richard Burton Theatre
Mai 19 May	WNO Conductors Showcase	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Mai 21 May	RWCMD Big Band: Gordon Goodwin's Big Phat Band	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Mai 22 May	Joe Webb Trio	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Mai 23 May	Jay Phelps: Miles Davis' Kind of Blue	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Meh 4-9 Jun	Balance	Galeri Linbury Gallery & Theatr Bute Theatre
Meh 5-10 Jun	NEW '26   NEWYDD '26: Feral Threads	Theatr Richard Burton Theatre
Meh 5-10 Jun	NEW '26   NEWYDD '26: Van Man	Theatr Richard Burton Theatre
Meh 6-12 Jun	NEW '26   NEWYDD '26: That Last Summer	Stiwlio Sherman Studio
Meh 6-12 Jun	NEW '26   NEWYDD '26: XL Bully	Stiwlio Sherman Studio
Meh 7 Jun	Dunraven Welsh Young Singer of the Year Competition	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Meh 10 Jun	Sir Ian Stoutzker Prize Final	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Meh 13 Jun	WNO Orchestra: Summertime Soiree	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Meh 14 Jun	The Kanneh-Masons	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Meh 15-16 Jun	Matsena Productions: BOY-ISH	Theatr Richard Burton Theatre
Meh 20 Jun	Affinity Female Voice Choir: Pure Imagination	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Meh 25 Jun	WNO Orchestra & RWCMD Symphony Orchestra	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Meh 25 Jun	Sound Bar   Bar Sain	Cyntedd Carne Foyer
Meh 26-30 Jun	David Seligman Opera School: Alcina	Theatr Bute Theatre
Meh 27 Jun	Little Concerts: Percussion Playground!	Stiwlio Seligman Studio
Gorff 3 Jul	RWCMD Chorus: Songs of a Nation   Caneuon Cenedl	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Gorff 4-5 Jul	Lights, Puppets... Action!	Stiwlio Caird Studio
Gorff 1-6 Jul	Guys and Dolls	Theatr Sherman Theatre
Gorff 19 Jul	Only Boys Aloud Academy 2026	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall
Gorff 24 Jul	Welsh Chamber Orchestra 40th Anniversary Concert	Neuadd Dora Stoutzker Hall

