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# The Column: Eddie Myer

## Courting Controversy



photo by Mike Guest

The unexpected cancellation of The Orient House Ensemble's March 5th gig at the Royal Northern College of Music provoked a spectrum of reactions, all duly registered across social-media land. Jazz gigs are sadly prone to cancellations due to poor pre-sales or the vagaries of promoters and venue owners, but this was a rather different case; here the college attributed their decision to their fears for the safety of those due to attend. This was not because they believed the Orient House's unique mix of jazz, European and Levantine musical influences was especially perilous in itself, but because a lobby group, the North West Friends Of Israel, had demanded via a petition that the gig be cancelled. Their case was that by booking the gig, the RNCM would provide a platform for Mr Atzmon to disseminate anti-semitic propaganda. Fans immediately launched a counter-petition, but to no avail, and the concert has not been re-scheduled. RNCM stated that the cancellation was entirely related to student safety, and was not a political issue; the Manchester Evening News reported that extra security was provided on the evening of the 5th 'to prevent any acts of violence'.

This event, coming as it did in the aftermath of the Charlie Hebdo massacre and the continuing crisis across the middle east, provoked a wide range of passionate reactions. Jazz music in the UK is generally unused to having its placid waters disturbed in this way by the ripples from such distant storms. There are many different aspects to this case. Gilad Atzmon's views on Jewish history, Jewish identity and the role of Jews in geopolitics are available for you to discover

for yourself via his website; it is far beyond the remit of this column to discuss their validity, but we can certainly agree that they are deliberately and defiantly controversial. Articles have been written about the increasing timidity of British cultural institutions, and their susceptibility to special-interest lobby groups. RNCM seems to have reacted with open-mouthed dismay to the hoo-ha, rather than taking a strongly pro-active stand in favour of either party. Above the head of relatively small concert halls hover large dark clouds - issues of free speech and of artistic freedom versus responsibility, and the returning tide of anti-semitism across Europe set against the increasing isolation of the hardline Israeli government. The latter issue in particular is so heavily charged with bitter controversy that any discussion usually yields explosive results. The North West Friend's of Israel's decision can be seen as a reaction to the the rising calls for a 'BDS' Israeli boycott, especially in the cultural and academic sphere, raising the prospect of a tit-for-tat escalation; their tactics are identical to the anti-Israeli lobby's attempts to enforce such a boycott, and are equally as unwelcome.

The controversy has centred on Gilad Atzmon's politics, with no mention of his music. Of course, the two are an integral part of the man, and it is disingenuous to think that you can invite him for the one aspect, while excluding the other. Music has always been co-opted for political purposes - protest songs are expressions of resistance, national anthems and military marches expressions of hegemony. Yet music itself cannot be bounded by political messages and has the

power to transcend its origins, so that we can be transported by the music of Wagner or Carl Orff, despite the composer's noxious beliefs. Some American songbook standards combine timeless melodies with ridiculously outdated sexist attitudes, while the lyric to *My Heart Belongs To Daddy* sounds quite disturbing nowadays, and not just because it rhymes 'caddy' with 'finnan haddy'. Yet their musical appeal endures. As this column has previously mentioned, jazz in the UK has passed through periods of political engagement, with artists (if not audiences) generally engaging at the left-wing end of the spectrum. The return of Loose Tubes reminds us of that era, and points up the contrast with today's general disengagement with political issues. You can never tell when political realities may once again intrude into the artistic world. It's unusual for a jazz event to become so mired in controversy, and in this age of increasing identity politics it would be wise for educational institutions, local government bodies, arts funders and promoters to consider what the most

appropriate response might be. It is undeniable that Gilad Atzmon is in the forefront of UK jazz musicians, and that the Orient House Ensemble is an outstanding band. One might hope that the RNCM would be prepared to stand up for the cause of music, as something worth defending in its own right from the claims of political rectitude, and be prepared to champion the excellence of Atzmon's art even if they felt compelled to distance themselves from his politics.

Below, the petition and counter-petition, and Gilad's own website.

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# Marius Neset



Saxophonist **Marius Neset**, who released his fifth album this year, discusses his approach to writing his own material.

**Tell us about your latest album *Pinball*. How did it come about and what was your inspiration?**

“I went to a cottage in the Norwegian mountains in January 2014, and started playing around with a lot of ideas on piano and saxophone. In a few days the song *Pinball* became a result of this, and this song created a picture to me that made it quite logical where I should take the rest of the songs for this album. That’s why the album is called *Pinball*, this song came first, and was the fundament for a lot of creative ideas later on the album.”

**You come from a musical family and you grew up with a lot of music. How has that shaped your approach to playing?**

“A lot. My mother is a classical piano player, my father can play a bit of everything. What was most important was that they were very open-minded musically when I grew up, so I was introduced to a lot of different music when I was a kid, and nothing was right or wrong. I think this attitude to music has followed me since. Also, I learnt all music by ear when I was young, on piano, drums, guitar, bass, saxophone, so I really got a great musical fundament.”

**Tell us about your style of composing. How do you go about composing a piece and where do you find inspiration?**

“It’s so hard to answer, because it is different every time. Sometimes I may have a very clear and strong concept that I follow quite far in the composing process, other times there may be no concept at

all, just melodies and harmonies coming to me without analysing what it is. Sometimes I use the sax mostly, other times the piano. Other times I may compose inside my brain so I don’t use any instrument. But common for my best songs (I think) is that they are all based on very short and simple ideas, there are really no limits [in] how far you can take a good idea and what you can do with it.”

**What can we expect to hear at your concert in Brighton on Saturday 11th April?**

“Mostly music from my newest album *Pinball*, and a lot of creative and playful musicians.”

**What are your plans for the future?**

“A lot of plans. Right now I have been working on a project with a larger ensemble and my band, really interesting. Now I’m going to work on a new project, starting to have ideas for some new records. There is a lot of stuff I want to do, everything from playing completely solo, to composing for symphony orchestras, doing more band records, maybe do something with electric instruments sometime, but I only can follow my inside musicality and where it takes me, and that is constantly changing direction, affected by what I’ve been listening to the last [few] years, who I play with, which people I’m hanging around, where I am, everything is kind of inspiring me, and that’s why all my records are quite different I think.”

Marius Neset Quintet appear at Brighton Dome Studio Theatre on Saturday 11th April 2015, presented by Brighton Jazz Club in association with Brighton Dome.

The album *Pinball* was released in January 2015 on the ACT label.

[www.mariusneset.info](http://www.mariusneset.info)

# Jenny Green





Vocalist **Jenny Green** has been active in the South Coast jazz scene for a few years now. She took time out to talk to SJM about all of her activities, including her latest album *Caught a Touch of Your Love*.

### **How did you first get into singing?**

“From a very young age in my church choir at Shoreham; then, when I was just 14, I was encouraged by a teacher to sing at the end of term concert.”

“I was quite shy as a child and singing was a way to express my feelings. By the time I was 18 I was singing semi-professionally in various bands around the bars and clubs along the South Coast. My first ever gig was at The Cliftonville Pub in Hove. I was very into my pop stuff and hadn't heard of jazz until I sang in a dinner dance band in the Eighties. The saxophonist tried to encourage me to scat but I wasn't interested at the time. I wished I'd listen to him then! All those standards in the Eighties I'm still singing now in function bands!”

### **Tell us a bit about your radio show on Ridge Radio.**

“Ridge Radio is an internet community radio station from Caterham in Surrey that you can listen to anywhere in the world on your Android, iPhone, iPads or computer. We are all volunteers at the station but for me it's really important to do something in the community. I share my love of jazz by playing tracks from the different genres, e.g. funky, classic vocals to the traditional and big band swing.”

“The show is on Monday evenings from 9 till 11 pm. I include a gig guide and I feature new albums and often feature

special guests who sometimes play live in the studio. Recent guests have been Nigel Price, Rebecca Hollweg & Sarah Maurice.”

“I have a co-host, Susie Homes, that helps with social media and email requests and she also adds a bit of glamour by having a chat about what's new in the celebrity world.”

“We have a lot of fun and hopefully our listeners will too. There is a listen again feature. Try us by clicking [here](#).”

### **Tell us about the monthly gigs that you do in the Sussex & Surrey area.**

“I'm very keen to encourage new talent so I run a jazz jam with Liz Cole at the Leatherhead Theatre, upstairs in the Mezz bar every fourth Friday. Its been running for around 5 years or more now. It has a relaxed, friendly atmosphere and it's free at the moment. I have a house band for this and we have a nice mix of audience and players, most of them are regulars.”

“My other regular venue is at The Chequer Mead Theatre in The Pavilion Cafe, East Grinstead. This is a monthly jazz club on the second Wednesday. The next one, on April 15th, will be my tribute to Billy Holiday, to celebrate the centenary year of her birth on 7th April. As with all theatres there are times when they are very busy and sometimes the dates have to change to accommodate. Therefore its best to check the website for future dates.”

“I'm gradually building the audience here and already we are getting some regulars in. We have had some lovely guests including Nigel Price and One Jump Ahead, and we even had a fab 18 piece jazz orchestra.”

**You released your album *Caught a Touch of Your Love* last year. What has**



## **the experience of recording and releasing an album taught you?**

“How costly it all is for a start! I think I learnt not to rush into settling on the songs. I learnt a lot from watching how they master and mixed it and I can understand how important it is to get the whole thing mixed and mastered really well. I think the album reflects this. A lot of work went into the licence and registering with PRS etc. So doing a second one should be easier.”

“I realise now that making an album is not the be-all and end-all, it's the performing that matters most. The album is a calling card I guess really. I wanted the album to reflect how far I'd come from my humble beginnings standing on that stage at just 14.”

“I had great fun recording it with Sean Hargreaves who helped me decide on the songs. Winston Clifford for his wise words and great rhythm and Neville Malcolm on bass boy when then those guys get together it really swings.”

“To sum up, I loved the whole experience from choosing the songs, to getting into the studio, particularly at Tileyard Studios. It was such a great place - a real creative media hub at the north end of London's Kings Cross. The cafe there was a who's who in the industry.”

## **What are planning to do in the future?**

“Well, who knows? That's the great thing about the music business. Will I make another album? Possibly. I'd like to write a couple of my own songs. I have the offer to record one or two songs from other writers, which is exciting.”

“East Grinstead have given me the exciting opportunity to host a live jazz stage at East Court Live on Sunday 26th

July. I'll be performing with The Jonathan Vinten trio and we have some fantastic guests lined up. Check the website for details: <http://www.eastcourtlive.co.uk/>. I'd love to do more of organising and managing events like this.”

“I'd like to see the jazz club at Chequer Mead Theatre grow so that I can bring some great live jazz acts.”

“I'm working on 'The Great British Song Book' ready for my gig at the Pizza Express on Dean Street, during Sunday lunchtime on 5th July. I'm very much looking forward to working on this with Sean Hargreaves again on piano with Neville Malcolm, Winston Clifford and with Ed Jones on sax.”

“I'm hoping maybe one day I'd join the BBC to broadcast a jazz show and I'd love to sing downstairs at Ronnie Scott's. Singing and performing is a calling for me and as long as people like listening I'll keep doing it.”

“I can't wait to see what's next.”

Jenny Green appears at Chequer Mead Theatre on Wednesday 15th April.

[www.chequermead.org.uk](http://www.chequermead.org.uk)

You can hear Jenny every Monday evening on Ridge Radio.  
[www.ridgeradio.dreamhosters.com/](http://www.ridgeradio.dreamhosters.com/)

For more information on Jenny Green visit her website:  
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# Soweto Kinch

MOBO Award winning saxophonist and MC **Soweto Kinch** talks about his inspirations and his latest concert at The Ropetackle Arts Centre in Shoreham on Saturday 4th April.

## **How would you describe the kind of music that you play?**

“I try not to confine myself too much to genres, but my principle influences are jazz and hip hop. It involves a lot of improvisation, social commentary and having a good time.”

## **Who are your influences and how have you been able to transcend them and develop your own voice?**

“I’m influenced by all the great saxophone players through history - Sonny Rollins, John Coltrane, Charlie Parker, Joe Harriot. I’m not sure if I’ll ever be able to transcend them, but their voices permeate my own sound. I think I’m an amalgam of all the great musicians I’ve followed –

James Brown, Public Enemy, Fela Kuti: similarly with strong hip hop and jazz strains.”

## **You’ve been really busy over the past few years with a**

## **number of projects. What are you involved in at the moment?**

“I’m currently starting to work on a large piece exploring the political and cultural contributions of black soldiers during the First World War. It’s some way in the offing, but already my head’s full of ragtime early jazz sounds.”

## **Tell us what we’re likely to hear at your concert at The Ropetackle in Shoreham on Saturday 4th April.**

“You will hear material from my latest release, *The Legend of Mike Smith*. Blending live jazz with hip hop, and exploring the ‘Seven Deadly Sins’ through music. Can’t wait!”

Soweto Kinch appears at Ropetackle Arts Centre on Saturday 4th April.

His latest album *The Legend of Mike Smith* is available now.

[www.soweto-kinch.com](http://www.soweto-kinch.com)

# Eric Ford

In-demand drummer **Eric Ford** has been performing with the contemporary jazz trio Partikel, and with vocalist Val Wiseman, as well gigging with top players on the London jazz scene. SJM editor Charlie Anderson sat down to chat with him, shortly before he appeared with Matt Wates at The Verdict in Brighton.

## **How did you get into jazz?**

“My parents were both fans of swing and they used to listen to a Sunday lunchtime programme on Radio 2. And on that I heard Gene Krupa playing with Benny Goodman (on their 1963 reunion album); his brush solo on a track called *Runnin’ Wild* is what inspired me to take up the drums because I loved the brightness of the sound and the energy of the performance. Also, around the same time, there was a jazz weekend on BBC2 and there was film of Duke Ellington with Louie Bellson on drums and I remember finding that very atmospheric. There was grainy black-and-white footage of them playing a slow blues and I was really struck by it.”

## **So how did you get into playing jazz? At school?**

“I played at home, to records, and because my parents were fans of big band jazz that's where I started. Mostly I played to Count Basie and Benny Goodman. One time I was out with my mum in Southport (where I grew up) and in the arts centre foyer there was the Sefton Youth Jazz Orchestra giving a concert. So I went up and introduced myself. As with all youth jazz orchestras, they have a high turnover because people go on to university or wherever. So when the drummer left I went and auditioned and took over from there. That was when I was maybe 15. Then I went to a jam session in Southport and met a guy from Liverpool called Colin Campbell who then got me onto a regular Sunday night gig at the Central Hotel there. And because I'd only been playing swing up

until that point he made me some cassettes with lots of bebop classics on (such as *Jordu* and *This I Dig Of You*). That was how I got into more modern jazz, really, through Colin. He now lives in Walthamstow, though he doesn't play that much these days. From bebop I got into the rest of jazz chronologically and most other music from jazz or from playing it for work.”

## **What projects are you currently involved in?**

“I'm involved in lots and lots of different projects, which is partly a result of most of the projects not having much work, and the fact that it takes a long time to get anything going when you're doing original music. Also "life gets in the way" sometimes and there are three cd projects that are half-done because the bandleaders have had a child and just don't have time to finish everything yet, or because they've had to prioritise the well-paid work which will pay for their own project. So (like most musicians) I have lots of projects running concurrently, some of which work once a month, some of which work once every 3-6 months or do an occasional tour, and some of which do one gig and never work again. It's a very varied bunch of things.”

“This year, there are two bands that I'll be relatively busy with. One is *Lady Sings the Blues* which is Val Wiseman's Billie Holiday tribute, because it's the centenary of Billie Holiday's birth. The other members of the band are stalwarts of the British jazz scene and it's great to play swing with guys who've been doing it for sixty years or more! Pianist



Brian Dee is particularly enjoyable to play with from a drum point of view as his time feel and comping are so great.”

“The other one is *Partikel*, which is quite a contrast to *Lady Sings the Blues*. We did an album last year with a string quartet and that’s going to be released in May on Whirlwind Recordings. There are a lot of dates up and down the country in support of that and hopefully some dates abroad later in the year. Obviously there are bands that I play with as the first call drummer and there are quite a lot of other bands where I’m filling in for someone else.”

“One thing that took up a lot of my time at the start of this year was recording drum solos with loops. The loops are vamps that I solo over with different bands that I play with. But whilst I was practising for those solos, I came up with lots of stuff that was out of context and unusable on the actual gig, because it wouldn’t have fitted with what came before. But if you go straight into a solo on YouTube with a vamp, you can create your own context. So I’ve come up with a bunch of approaches to several of the solos, which I found interesting and hope other people find interesting too. But it’s been quite time-consuming: recording and then mixing and editing them and so forth. I hope to get them on YouTube by the end of April.”

“Hopefully it will make people more aware of aspects of my playing that don’t generally get exposed on the gigs I do. So they’re very varied stylistically and some of them involve the superimposition of different

meters and it’s not the kind of thing that you can do on a gig where the other musicians aren’t prepared for it. You can’t just throw it in otherwise the whole thing could just collapse. Hopefully it might broaden my field of work even more.”

### **What do you do outside of performing?**

“I’ve got a very small amount of private teaching. It’s useful to have some stable income, since gigging varies from week to week. It’s hard to find musicians these days - including very, very good ones - who don’t teach. Even top-level stars teach. It makes you analyse how you do what you do and it also makes you think about the most efficient way to pass that on to other people. I think it’s to be embraced. I guess the problem is when you take too much teaching on and obviously what constitutes ‘too much’ varies from person to person. I’m happy with a fairly small amount for the moment, because I’m playing quite a lot.”



### **What advice would you give to up and coming drummers?**

“Be honest with yourself and do it because you really, really want to, because there’s no other good reason to do it. Listen to and try to play all styles of music convincingly. Don’t specialise. Learn to read. I’m sure other people would vehemently disagree with some of that advice.”

### **Tell us a bit more about Partikel.**

“Partikel is the band where I probably have the most freedom to come up with



unusual drum parts and play very loosely and busily because it's only saxophone, bass and drums. With there being no guitar or piano, there's a lot more room, sonically, for the drums. And also, Duncan Eagles (the saxophonist) and bassist Max Luthert play very interactively. So it's challenging, interesting and fun and we try to play melodically as well. It's not just a 'bash'. And I like to think there are a lot of interesting textures and things that you wouldn't necessarily hear other bands playing too. The material on the new CD (*String Theory*) is a challenge for me because we have a string quartet playing with us. So I have to make space for them and avoid smothering them with volume. I've tried to do this partly by playing some hand percussion - mostly udu and tabla. This should all be refined during the course of the gigs we have over the summer. The string quartet features Benet McLean, who is a really astonishing

soloist, on violin as well as piano. Benet's soloing skills (as well as the quality of Duncan's writing) should help to distinguish this string quartet plus jazz band CD from the welter of others - we hope !”

Eric Ford performs with Partikel at The Verdict on Friday 26th June.

The Partikel album *String Theory* will be released this summer on Whirlwind Recordings.

[www.partikel.co.uk](http://www.partikel.co.uk)

For more on Eric Ford visit his website:

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# Big Band Scene

Saxophonist **Patrick Billingham** begins his new monthly column with a look at The Sussex Jazz Orchestra and The Brighton Big Band.



This is the first of what I hope is to be a regular monthly column relating to big bands based in Sussex. I shall start by defining what I mean by a big band for inclusion in this column. I take the line up of the great American bands of the swing era as a template.

Saxophones, two altos, two tenors and a baritone, doubling on assorted woodwinds.

Brass, with four trumpets (or flugelhorns) and four trombones (including bass trombone/tuba).

Rhythm consisting of piano, guitar, bass and drums.

This is not a rigid template. There have been many variations, so I propose for the purpose of this column to define a big band as having at least seven horns with a minimum of three saxophones or three brass, plus a rhythm section. There is, as yet, no upper limit. (See Return of 100 Saxophones, below.)

This is the Sussex Jazz Magazine. So I am limiting the scope of this column to bands based in the county. However should any bands based across the border visit us as part of a foreign tour, I shall be happy to include them in the gig list.

I have addressed the question of whether information about big bands in general should be covered in a Jazz Magazine. The Jazz Orchestras, with their emphasis on extended improvised solos clearly qualify. As for the others, why not? Even dance band charts, such as those of Glenn Miller, allow for improvisation. Although there is the risk that any deviation from the original solo recorded seventy years ago may provoke adverse comment from some self-appointed expert in the audience.

The big band scene in Sussex is thriving and evolving. I know of almost twenty active big bands based in Sussex, most in and around

Brighton. Some have been playing for decades, others were formed recently.

Even though the various bands concerned have differences in style and ethos, they have musicians and charts in common.

This month I feature two Brighton based bands, which have been around for 30 years or so. I declare an interest. I am a member of both.

## The Sussex Jazz Orchestra (SJO)

(‘A mixed ability line-up ... crackling performances’ John Fordham, The Guardian)

The late, great, Ian Hamer created this band in the mid 1980s as The Sussex Youth Jazz Orchestra (SYJO) around a number of talented school age musicians living in Brighton, with the rest of the band made up of local adult musicians. In the early 1990s, to quote Ian, ‘I found the youths came and went too quick, so I dropped the youth bit and it has worked fine ever since.’ The band became known by its present name.



The jazz oriented repertoire is mainly compositions and arrangements by Ian and his associates including Tubby Hayes, Ken Wheeler, and especially local composer Paul Busby who was the keyboard player and musical director of the band for many years. There are other charts by former and current band members. The purpose of the band is to keep Ian’s music alive and to present it to as wide an audience as possible.

The band, directed by Mark Bassey, is a mixture of student musicians, experienced professionals, and those with non-musical day jobs, but who play regularly. Many of the former student members of the band have moved on to become highly regarded professionals.

The SJO is larger than the standard template. There may be up to ten saxes, six trumpets, six trombones and the four piece rhythm section. In the past the brass section has contained euphoniums, a tuba, a baritone horn, and currently has a French horn among the trombones.

The SJO is based at The Round Georges pub, 14-15 Sutherland Road, BN2 0EQ,

Contact details:

Manager: Patrick Billingham 07812 418560  
g8aac@yahoo.co.uk

To book the band: James Clarke 07824  
637422 [james@jamesclarkemusic.co.uk](mailto:james@jamesclarkemusic.co.uk)

For more information visit [www.sussexjazzorchestra.co.uk](http://www.sussexjazzorchestra.co.uk) or on Facebook, or on twitter @SussexJazzOrch or [www.twitter.com/sussexjazzorch](http://www.twitter.com/sussexjazzorch)

To see a video of the band in action, go to [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pFEMzpr\\_fKY](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pFEMzpr_fKY)

### **The Brighton Big Band (BBB)**

The Brighton Big Band was formed in the 1980's by Dave Masters and, not surprisingly, was known as The Dave Masters Big Band. A name familiar to those who attended lunch on the first Sunday of each month at the King & Queen in Brighton when it was still a jazz pub.

The new name was adopted in 2014 with the advent of new band members and a new repertoire - so a new name was called for! The band acknowledge the hard work which Dave put into establishing and putting it on the local map, but since he moved to Australia over 20 years ago and now has another band under his name there - it was definitely time for a change!

The Band played their first season under the new name, band colours and several new pieces of music in 2014, but still with three of the original members. They play the big band swing standards of the Count Basie, Duke Ellington, Glenn Miller era but have added some classics from Gordon Goodwin, Stevie Wonder, Steely

Dan, Kenny Wheeler as well as Paul Busby, and some fiery latin pieces to bring a modern tone to their range of music.

The line up of this band is closer to the template with five saxes, five trumpets, four trombones and the four strong rhythm section. In addition, there are two singers. Dave Williams, who recently joined the band, providing the music of Frank Sinatra, and the well established Jackie Sampson, who provides the songs of Ella Fitzgerald and Sarah Vaughan.



John Lake administers and manages the band with the assistance of Chris Smith - who directs the band in rehearsal, Steve Field - the band librarian and Dave Eastman who looks after the equipment. The band feels extremely lucky to have the support of the Blind Veterans UK (formerly St. Dunstan's), Ovingdean who provide the use of their ballroom for band rehearsals.

Contact details:

John Lake email: [johnbruce\\_@hotmail.com](mailto:johnbruce_@hotmail.com)  
tel. 07950 317496

Blogsite: <http://brightonbigband.blogspot.co.uk/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Brighton-Big-Band/>

Next month: Studio 9 Orchestra (see interview in SJM 12) and Straight No Chaser.

If you would like your band featured, and I have not already contacted you, please get in touch. Or if there is anything else, such as gig news, that you would like me to include in May's Big Band Scene, please send it to me by Friday April 24th.

# Big Band Gigs for April – Early May

(† means a regular monthly gig.)

## Sunday April 5th.

†12:45 - 15:00 pm, Sounds of Swing Big Band at The Horseshoe Inn Hotel, Posey Green, Windmill Hill, Herstmonceux, East Sussex BN27 4RU (02035 645225) Free entry.

## Sunday April 12th.

†12:30 - 3:00 pm, The South Coast Big Band at The Ravenswood, Horsted Lane, Sharpethorne, West Sussex, RH19 4HY (01342 810216) Free entry.

7:30pm, Straight No Chaser (Vocal Night) at The Hassocks Hotel, Station Approach East Hassocks, BN6 8HN (01273 842113) Free entry with collection.

## Tuesday April 14th.

8:00 - 10pm, The Sussex Universities Big Band at The Latest Music Bar, 14-17, Manchester St., Brighton BN2 1TF (01273 687171) £?.

†8:00 - 10:30 pm, The Ronnie Smith Big Band at The Humming Bird Restaurant, Main Terminal Building, Shoreham Airport, West Sussex, BN43 5FF (01273 452300) Free entry with collection.

## Friday April 24th.

†8:30 - 11:00 pm, The Les Paul Big Band at Patcham, BN1, £5. For further details contact Les (01273 558009) les@lespaulbigband.co.uk (Bring your own refreshments.)

## Sunday April 26th.

†12:30 - 3:00 pm, The South Coast Big Band at The Red Lion, Stone Cross, Pevensey, East Sussex BN24 5EG (01323 761468) Free entry.

## Monday April 27th.

8 pm, The Downsbeat Swing Band at The Village Centre Hall, Hurstpierpoint, West

Sussex BN6 9UU Free entry with collection in aid of the Motor Neurone Disease Association.

## Wednesday April 29th.

8:00 pm, Straight No Chaser (Brighton Composers Night) at The Brunswick, 3, Holland Road, Hove BN3 1JF (01273 733984) Free entry

## Sunday May 3rd.

†12:45 - 15:00 pm, Sounds of Swing Big Band at The Horseshoe Inn Hotel, Posey Green, Windmill Hill, Herstmonceux, East Sussex BN27 4RU (02035 645225) Free entry.

## Advance notice

Return of 100 Saxophones

Sunday 31st May early afternoon

close to the centre of Brighton

This is a fund raising event for the Brain Tumour charity. There is a £25 participation fee, £15 for students/concessions. Sax players of all levels of ability and experience are welcome. In line with the diversity policy encouraged by this column, brass and other wind players are also encouraged to sign up. A professional rhythm section will be at hand to maintain good order.

Rehearsals/workshops are scheduled for Wednesdays May 6th & 13th 7.30 - 9.30 p.m. and Saturday May 30th 2 - 4 p.m. at St. Richards Church and Community Centre, Egmont Road, Hove, East Sussex BN3 7FP.

There will be more detailed information in the May SJM, meanwhile, if you want further information visit [www.saxshop.org](http://www.saxshop.org)

# TUBBY IN BRIGHTON

**It's Tubby time again at the Ship**

ONE of the most exciting events of the Brighton Jazz Appreciation Society's current season of top-free attractions is the visit to the Ship Inn, Lewes-road, on Monday of the Tubby Hayes Quintet. Their regular appearances on television and at the Bessie Scott Club in London have won them phenomenal popularity.

Tubby Hayes is among that 100-to-small handful of British modern jazz musicians whom we can call "great." A virtuoso of the tenor saxophone, and equally impressive on flute and vibron, he sets a standard which younger players should try to live up to, and by which, we feel, other jazz musicians should be judged.

But the starkest he sets in jazz, and of the younger musicians in this country at the present time only tenor saxist Don Murray succeeds in approaching it.

A talented composer Hayes is perhaps most fascinating when he is playing his own original material. When he sat before his piano he said his audience applauded throughout a concert, and original music which he had composed for the occasion was played.

There is a sort of shabby, back-street poetry in his music—the poetry of the deserted city, of the lonely and neglected by the roadside in the blazing summer sun. The poetry of the underdog, seen every one of us in looking at some man or woman, to something or someone, it could probably be just as well described as the poetry of the human being.

So too, Tubby Hayes is the epitome of the jazz saxophone. Such are poets, although neither they are too far from it. The music, particularly American, writes down the number of notes, the words of expression, and the way they are used. But such are poets nevertheless.

Among the members of the old of Hayes Quintet who will be touring with the tenor sax star are tenor saxist Fredy Logan (clarinet), alto saxist Jimmy Dunbar (trumpet) and Terry Shannon (piano).

Members are invited to meet Tubby Hayes and his quartet at the Ship Inn, Lewes-road, on Monday evening at 8.30. The price is 10s. and 5s. for the evening. The music is free. The music is free.

**JAZZ TALK**  
By John Marley

**CHERRY**  
By G. W. KIPPING  
"Manchester City News," 2011.

**HERALD CROSSWORD No. 11**  
By JAMES WRIGHT

**Alive and Well**

Following a barnstorming gig at the Bristol Bar on Thursday 26th March, Simon Spillett sent SJM some old newspaper clippings of Tubby Hayes appearing in Brighton. If you remember any of Tubby's gigs at The Ship on Lewes Road then email [sussexjazzmag@gmail.com](mailto:sussexjazzmag@gmail.com)

50—BRIGHTON AND HOVE GAZETTE, AUGUST 14, 1964

**Jazz promoter laud Brighton audiences**

"WHETHER it be jazz, theatre or cinema, Brighton is sympathetic to anything of quality."

**JAZZ ROUND-UP**  
BY SAM EDWARDS

**AMBITIOUS CONCERT SEASON PLANNED**

THE Brighton Philharmonic Society this week announced details of its 1964-5 concert season at the Dome. There will be 14 regular concerts at the Subaquatic Rooms, all of which will be given on Sunday afternoons, at fortnightly intervals from September to May.

Next year the society will be introducing its 40th birthday, and a particularly ambitious season has been planned with 100 or more, including extra concerts and a festival.

HERBERT WENZEL, who has conducted the orchestra since it was created by Madame Emma Wenzel in 1924, will be the conductor for the 1964-5 season, and will be assisted by the orchestra's principal players, and the orchestra's principal players.

PETER KATIN and CYRIL SMITH and PHILLIP SELICK are also to be heard on the list.

Wendell SCHEINBAUM, MARTIN and HELEN, and two well-known jazz composers, and the celebrated Cuban PAUL WURNLIER will be heard at the 40th birthday concert in May.

JAMES BAKER will sing the Shaker's "Songs of a Wifering" and "In November" and KIAN SHANNON will give a recital on Saturday, February 27.

As well as the Brighton Philharmonic Orchestra, the Brighton Symphony and the three London orchestras will be invited.

Details for the 14 programmes, with a subscription of 20 per cent, will be sent to the Society Box Office, 100, The Arcade, Brighton, and to the public from Intimate.

**TRIBUTE TO A BRAVE TROUPE**

JUNE LAWRENCE, the actress who tragically lost her husband five weeks after they married, heard the news when she was appearing in "Hired as a Wife," a comedy picture in Manchester, three weeks ago.

The show's general manager, Henry Sherwood, of French Avenue, Brixton, and his wife "She knew the news on the 15th of August and she went on with it until she had given a magnificent performance. She's a real trouper."

The following week she left the play to spend the longest and the longest of her husband, who died in a car crash.

But she returns to his role in

**STOCK CAR RACING**  
ARLINGTON SPEEDWAY  
SUN., 16th AUGUST  
2.15 p.m.

**World premiere**  
Celine Green's new play, "Carving a Nation," is to have its world premiere at the Theatre Royal, with Sir Hugh Richardson and Richard O'Brien in the main roles.

# THE SNOWDROP JAZZ NIGHT, LEWES



Hosted by Terry Seabrook on keys with various featured guests and sidemen.

Free admission (collection taken towards running expenses).

Great beers and top nosh.

The Snowdrop Inn, 119 South St, Lewes, East Sussex BN7 2BU Tel:01273 471018

## **Monday 30th March**

### **Andy Williams on guitar**

with Terry Seabrook on organ and Milo Fell on drums

Nigel Price is too ill to perform so is replaced by guitarist Andy Williams.

Andy Williams is a highly respected jazz guitarist and has recently recorded and toured with bassist-composer Spike Heatley. Andy first picked up the guitar at 13 and by the age of 18 had embarked on a serious musical career. He started working in local jazz bands and joined an established function band playing in London's top hotels with a residency at Trelawne Manor, Cornwall.

Andy has performed at many Pizza Express jazz venues, the Soho Jazz Festival and until recently enjoyed a 9 year Sunday residency at Pizza on the Park in London. As well as working with many of Britain's finest jazz musicians, he has performed alongside American Artists such as Tal Farlow, Benny Waters, Warren Vache and has opened for acts such as Barney Kessel and Harry Allen. Andy is also a regular member of his father's quartet (the trombonist Roy Williams).



**Monday 6th April**

**Lou Beckerman**

with Terry Seabrook on piano & Steve  
Thompson on bass



Whether scat swing singing or lingering over a leisurely love ballad, the heart of Lou Beckerman's work has always been a love of the music, her passion for jazz and collaborative music-making, and a delight in performing for audiences. A musician for over thirty years, her musical influences range from classical, jazz and folk to world music. Her career has included radio and television, and as a recording artist, two albums, most recently *'Into the Blue'* - a collection of newly-arranged standards and jazz-infused original compositions.

She has played in venues across the UK and in the USA, her music sitting as comfortably in a large concert venue as it does in an intimate jazz club. Lou's vocals have been described as 'a stairway to heaven' and 'like being rolled in honey'!

**Monday 13th April**

**Art Themen**

with Terry on organ and Milo Fell (drums)



Photo of Art Themen by Richard Kaby

Art Themen was born in Manchester. In 1958 he began his medical studies at the University of Cambridge, going on in 1961 to complete his studies at St Mary's Hospital Medical School in London, qualifying in 1964. He specialised in orthopaedic medicine, eventually becoming a consultant. He started playing jazz with the Cambridge University Jazz Group, and then in London playing with blues musicians Jack Bruce and Alexis Korner. In 1965 he played with the Peter Stuyvesant Jazz Orchestra in Zürich, going on to play with such English luminaries as Michael Garrick and Graham Collier's Music.

In 1974 he entered on what was to be one of his central musical relationships when he started playing with Stan Tracey. He has played with all of Tracey's groups, touring with him all over the world as well as around the UK. He has also played and toured with musicians such as Nat Adderley, Ian Carr, George Coleman, and Al Haig.

His style originally owed much to the influence of Dexter Gordon and Sonny Rollins, but later influences included such disparate saxophonists as Coleman Hawkins, Evan Parker and John Coltrane.

Themen was interviewed by Julian Joseph on BBC Radio 3's Jazz Line-Up on 22 November 2014 as a celebration of the saxophonist's 75th birthday. He revealed that he had originally played clarinet, but since page three of the tutor book had been missing he had played for some time with the mouthpiece upside-down. He was inspired to play saxophone after attending a gig by the Dankworth Seven, at the local Palais, at the age of 16, with a female cousin. The immaculately-dressed and manicured saxophonist Danny Moss winked at Themen's cousin and the instant effect this had convinced Themen that his future lay in the saxophone.

**Monday 20th April**  
**Abi Flynn (vocals)**

with Russ Gleason on drums and Terry on organ



Abi Flynn is a young and up and coming Brighton-based jazz singer. Originating from Worthing, she studied a 5 year music degree specialising in soul and funk performance and composition and continued to perform all over the South within this field until she discovered her passion for jazz 2 years ago.

Drawing on classic influences such as Ella Fitzgerald and Nancy Wilson, along with modern jazz influences such as Esperanza Spalding and Gretchen Parlato, Abi likes to deliver a deeply moving and captivating vocal performance with her sultry tone, as well as experimenting in the realms of scat and advanced rhythmic and melodic patterns.

Fairly new to the Brighton jazz scene, she continues to work her way up, playing alongside some of the best musicians in the South and delivering exciting and mesmerising performances.

**Monday 27th April**  
**Roy Hilton (piano)**

with Malcom Mortimore on drums and Terry on organ



Roy Hilton went to Leeds College of Music which was the first University in the country to offer a Jazz Course. He went on to become a successful Musical Director and is now living in Eastbourne. He recently recorded a CD with top British Jazz Guitarist Dave Cliff who was at Leeds with Roy. He has worked in all branches of the music business as MD, Arranger and Pianist in films, theatre, broadcasts etc. but his first love is jazz. He has played with Sonny Stitt, Sonny Criss, Teddy Edwards, Bobby Shew, Howard Alden and many other internationally known musicians and has recorded an album of the music of Tadd Dameron for Spotlite records with Dave Cliff and Geoff Simkins which gained much critical acclaim.

**Terry Seabrook**



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# IMPROV: THE JAZZ EDUCATION SECTION

## Wayne McConnell looks at Committing it to Memory

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### Committed to Committing it to Memory

You would think learning songs would be a relatively simple exercise and in many ways it is. In jazz however, simply knowing the song is not really enough. As improvisers, we want to be able to feel completely relaxed with the material that we are improvising on. Learning the tune and the chords is really not enough. You need to be 110% comfortable and clued up in what the tune is doing harmonically, structurally and melodically. We all know in the world of Jazz there is no escaping the dreaded ability to 'transpose' into any key. With this method, you will find it easier to make sense of the harmony and therefore be able to play with more authority and expression. Given the above, learning a standard is a serious investment of time. Don't rush the process and aim to master it. The first stage is about listening. Here is a guide to the listening stage:

### Listening

- Listen to 3 or 4 versions of the song and focus in on your favorite version. To start with, try and focus on a version that isn't wildly interpreted. Use the internet to find out as much as you can about the tune and what are considered as some of the definitive versions.
- Settle on one version that you really love. Listen to it over and over again, enjoy all of the nooks and crannies of it, the melody, chords, lyrics, the players. How is the melody delivered?

Delicate and tender or passionately lively?

- As you listen try and sing along with the melody remembering that this is all prep-work to make your life easier later on.
- Sing through the root moments 5-10 times a day for a week.
- Listen to the structure of the tune. Can you work out what the form is?

The listening stage can take as much or as little time as you see fit. If the melody is intricate and complex, expect to spend more time listening. The more time you do this for, the easier it will be to actually execute it in your instrument or voice. By the time you get to the 'learning' stage, you should have a mental-map of what the song does in terms of form. See if you can write it down, count the numbers of bars if you have to.

### Learning

The learning stage is not really about learning the song (you've actually done that already in the listening process). This stage is all about applying it to your instrument and that transfer from brain/soul to instrument/voice is fundamental to how you will retain the information required to play it and eventually transpose it.

- Play the A section over and over again - If you play piano or guitar start with the melody, play it in its barest form without any embellishments or ornamentation. Then play through the chords, eliminate any issues with

voicings. Keep the voicings simple so the melody is still the stronger sound. If you don't play a chordal instrument, fear not, we will get to the same information later on.

- Move on to the B section and subsequently move through the whole tune until you are comfortable with it. Play with a backing track.

By this stage you should be able to play or sing the melody (with chords for piano and guitar) all the way though accurately from memory.

## Prep for Improvisation and Transposition

In order to improvise freely and to transpose with ease, you need to fully understand the harmonic implications of the tune. You need to master this both mentally and physically. In other words, you need to be able to understand mentally what is happening and also where physically that information happens on your instrument.

**Step 1** - Seek out the II-V and II-V-I (both major and minor) movements . So rather than thinking of say 3 individual chords, you are actually just think of a 'key centre'.

**Step 2** - Think of the chords as roman numerals rather than being in a specific key.



**Step 3** - Play and sing through the 'shells' of the chords. Shells are the 3rds and 7ths or 7ths and 3rds of the chords. Play through them, they should sound pleasing.



**Step 4** - Scales/Modes - This is subjective because it is not essential you know all the names of these weird and wonderful modes. You can get by very well by just using your ear but it requires a huge amount of previous listening to improvisers and naturally very good ears (perfect and relative pitch). Since most of the population don't have naturally advanced musical hearing and lots of time to listen, this is a good way to enhance your accuracy of playing the right notes at the right time.

If you have never learnt tunes in a logical and prolonged period and have trouble memorising tunes, DO not skip any of these steps, each one is an integral part of the learning process. After a while, you will be able to skip through some of the steps because you will start to memorise things such as II-V-Is in all 12 keys.

The very final stage is to play hundreds of choruses of the melody/chords and of course improvising. Once you are comfortable with the usual key, try it in a few related keys. It is useful to use the Cycle of Fourths to practice 12 keys as it follows a natural harmonic cycle.

# Jazz Education Around Sussex

## The Brighton Jazz Co-op

The Brighton Jazz Musicians Co-operative has been running since 1986. A group of local musicians get together once a week and pay a top-class tutor to give a workshop.

Local musicians such as Geoff Simkins, Mark Basseby, Terry Seabrook and Julian Nicholas are always very popular tutors.

Tutors often teach for two consecutive weeks but expect a different set of students each week, along with a few of the regulars.

The summer months and the Xmas break often sees a friendly jam session where students get together and play through the tunes learnt in previous workshops as well as other tunes that students are interested in.

Dates & Times:

Every Tuesday. 8-10:15pm

Students are encouraged to arrive a few minutes earlier to set up their instrument(s).

Location:

The Good Companions (upstairs room), 132 Dyke Road, Brighton BN1 3TE

Cost:

£7 per class / £4 concessions

Cash payments are collected during the break.

Website:

[www.brightonjazzcoop.org.uk](http://www.brightonjazzcoop.org.uk)

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## Steyning Jazz Workshop

Formed in April 2014, following the successful Steyning Jazz Weekend Workshop in February.

“Two tutors, Mark Basseby and Martijn van Galen, tutor us three weeks out of four.

The repertoire is Standard songs and Modern/Mainstream jazz numbers.

The current line-up is piano, guitar, bass, drums, three saxophones and a vocalist.”

Dates & Times:

Wednesdays 8-10pm

Starting from 10th September 2014 after the summer break.

Location:

The Music Room, Steyning Grammar School, Shooting Field, Steyning BN44 3RX

Cost:

We need to get the numbers up to 10 or 11 to keep the cost at about £10 per week.

Contact:

David Mills

[davidmillsdesign@gmail.com](mailto:davidmillsdesign@gmail.com)

### LATEST NEWS

Currently looking for horn players, particularly brass.

## Jazz Smugglers, Bosham

The Jazz Smugglers regularly put on workshops that focus on musicianship skills which can only be learnt in a group setting.

Dates & Times:

Starting on Sunday 8th September Sundays 7-9pm

Location:

Bosham, West Sussex

Contact:

[jazzsmugglers@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jazzsmugglers@yahoo.co.uk)

Tel. 07533 529379

For more information:

<http://www.jazzenthusiasts.com>

The Jazz Smugglers are currently looking for front-line players.

## Jazz Singing Workshops with Imogen Ryall



Location: Rottingdean, East Sussex

Contact:

[imogenryall@gmail.com](mailto:imogenryall@gmail.com)

For information on Imogen Ryall's jazz singing workshops please visit:

[www.imogenryall.com](http://www.imogenryall.com)

## Ropetackle, Shoreham



Renowned jazz trombonist Mark Bassegy leads this workshop for intermediate to advanced level jazz performers. The focus is primarily on contemporary jazz and student's original compositions and arrangements.

Organiser Steve Lawless says:

"Mark's popularity has meant that we have been continually full. We keep a balance between rhythm instruments, and vocal / horns and have a waiting list for the piano seat".

Dates & Times:

Fridays 2-4:15pm

22nd Nov. - 20th Dec.

Two one-hour sessions with a 15min break in between.

Location:

Ropetackle Arts Centre, Little High St.,  
Shoreham-By-Sea, BN43 5EG  
(First Floor, Mezzanine Room)

Cost:

£60 for a block of four sessions

Website:

<http://www.ropetacklecentre.co.uk>

Contact:

Steve Lawless

[steve.lawless@gmail.com](mailto:steve.lawless@gmail.com)

Mobile: 07514 569595

### LATEST NEWS

Currently there is still a waiting list, contact Steve Lawless if you are interested.

## Geoff Simkins Jazz Course



A Saturday course run by saxophonist and jazz educator Geoff Simkins:

"I've been running the Saturday classes for over 20 years. Until recently they were part of the Centre for Continuing Education at The University of Sussex, but when the University closed the entire department, many students asked me to continue to run the classes independently."

"They are now held at The Bridge Community Centre, Lucraft Road, Brighton and this year I'm running an Intermediate and an Advanced class on alternate Saturdays."

"It's aimed at serious musicians who want to improve all aspects of their playing and so students sign up for a year's classes (5 classes per term, 3 terms) but the coming course is fully subscribed already and, like every previous year, there's a waiting list."

"My teaching is based on the knowledge/experience acquired over nearly 40 years as a professional jazz musician and as a teacher at conservatoires, including The Royal Academy, Trinity Laban, and The Royal Welsh College of Music."

If anyone would like more information about the Saturday classes or one-to-one lessons they can contact Geoff Simkins at [geoff.simkins@ntlworld.com](mailto:geoff.simkins@ntlworld.com).

## Brighton Jazz School



Jazz pianist Wayne McConnell has been running Brighton Jazz School for more than 3 years and the school continues to grow and develop as a place to learn jazz in an authentic way.

The school runs classes for all levels as well as masterclasses with world-class jazz musicians, summer schools, special weekends focusing on composing & arranging, jazz piano classes and drum tuition.

Wayne McConnell also hosts a monthly podcast interviewing international jazz stars, contributes a monthly column to The Sussex Jazz Mag and hosts the Wednesday night jam session at The Verdict in Brighton.

Dates & Times:

*Saturday Jazz Weekenders*, Saturdays 11am-2pm

*Learn To Play*, Tuesdays 11am-6pm.

*Jazz Extensions*, Mondays 3-6pm

Location:

*Weekend Course*: The Verdict, 159 Edward St., Brighton BN2 0JB

*Learn To Play & Jazz Extensions*: The Brunswick, 1-3 Holland Road, Hove BN3 1JF

Cost:

*Learn To Play* £250 for 10 weeks.

*Saturday Jazz Weekenders* £150 for 10 weeks.

Taster days available.

*Jazz Extensions* £95 per term

(Check website for packages & promotions)

Website:

[www.brightonjazzschool.com](http://www.brightonjazzschool.com)

Contact: [brightonjazzschool@gmail.com](mailto:brightonjazzschool@gmail.com)

### LATEST NEWS

Learn to Play course, term 3: 28th of April - 30th of June

End of Term Concert: Sunday 12th of July (8pm)

## Saxshop

### A Community Saxophone Workshop



Saxshop is a Brighton based community saxophone ensemble led by Beccy Perez Rork and Mark Bassey.

Founded in 2003 by Simon D'souza, many of the original players from that very first course still attend.

“A very friendly welcome will await you if you decide to join us. Players of all abilities can come along although it is helpful if you have at least basic music reading skills.”

Dates & Times:

Every Wednesday evening 7:30-9:30pm

Location:

St Richard's Church & Community Centre,  
Egmont Road, Brighton, BN3 7FP

Cost:

£80 per 10 week term which includes ten 2 hour workshops and an end of term gig with rhythm section.

Website:

[www.saxshop.org](http://www.saxshop.org)

Contact: <http://www.saxshop.org/contact.html>

#### LATEST NEWS

Return of 100 Saxophones on Sunday 31st May

## Sussex Jazz Guitar School



Guitarist Paul Richards has been running the Sussex Jazz Guitar School since June 2013 and it has already become a popular course for aspiring jazz guitarists.

The course covers everything from technique and how to practice effectively, through to chord voicings, soloing ideas and learning repertoire.

Students are given prep work to practice before classes as well as a recap on what was covered in previous classes.

Although the course is not designed for total beginners, Paul offers one-to-one lessons for those wishing to learn jazz, latin or classical guitar.

Dates & Times:

One Saturday each month.  
11am - 1:30pm

Location:

The Brunswick, 1-3 Holland Road, Hove BN3 1JF

Cost:

£20 per class / £55 for 3 classes

Website:

<http://paulrichardsguitar.com>

Contact: [LatinGuitarPaul@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:LatinGuitarPaul@hotmail.co.uk)

#### LATEST NEWS

The next session is on Saturday 11th April 2015.

# pro-Jazz & session: musician: 1 & 2yr:

Students from our courses are out there, doing it! Some are touring with bands; some have gone on to a third year to graduate at the University of Middlesex Jazz B.A. course or Trinity College of Music in London; many currently pursue successful careers as freelance performers, session musicians, composers, producers and teachers.

Learning in tutorials, band sessions, through gigging & recording and one-to-one lessons:

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**perform weekly and gig locally:** you are part of a larger jazz department – adult education workshops combine once a week.

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Simon Robinson – keyboards & arranging    Martijn Van Galen – styles & performance practice

Imogen Ryall – vocal practice

Dave Murrell – guitar & harmony

Rob Milner - bass & arranging

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### **LATEST NEWS**

The Spring Jazz Course is now fully booked and begins on 7th April.

The Jazz Academy is currently taking enrolments for Summer Jazz in August.



# JAM SESSIONS AROUND SUSSEX

## Every Monday

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### **The Bee's Mouth, 10 Western Road, Brighton BN3 1AE**

Hosted by guitarist Luke Rattenbury 9pm - late.

### **'A' Train Jazz Jam Night at The Caxton Arms, 36 North Gardens, Brighton BN1 3LB**

Starts Monday 13th April. Hosted by guitarist Tony Williams in the basement (Smalls Jazz Club). 8 - 11:30pm

## Every Tuesday

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### **The Brunswick, 1-3 Holland Road, Hove BN3 1JF**

Hosted by guitarist Paul Richards. 8pm - 11pm

[www.brunswickpub.co.uk](http://www.brunswickpub.co.uk)      [www.paulrichardsguitar.com](http://www.paulrichardsguitar.com)

## Every Wednesday

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### **In Session at The Verdict, 159 Edward Street, Brighton BN2 0JB**

Hosted by the Wayne McConnell Trio.

Wayne McConnell, piano; Eddie Myer, bass; Milo Fell, drums.

Trio Set 8:30pm. Jam Session 9:30pm - 11pm. [www.verdictjazz.co.uk](http://www.verdictjazz.co.uk)

## Thursday 2nd April

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### **The Regency Tavern, 32-34 Russell Square, Brighton BN1 2EF**

Oli Howe, piano; Oz Dechaine, bass; Jim Whyte, drums.

Thai food from 6pm. Jazz Jam 8:30-11pm.

Usually the first Thursday of the month. [www.facebook.com/regencyjazzjam](https://www.facebook.com/regencyjazzjam)

## Sunday 12th April

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### **Watermill Jazz Jam Session, Friends Life Sports & Social Club, Pixham Lane, Dorking, Surrey RH4 1QA**

Jam session 2-5pm

Usually the first Sunday of the month but check the website for details.

[www.watermilljazz.co.uk](http://www.watermilljazz.co.uk)

## Friday 24th April

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### **Jazz Jam with Jenny Green, The Leatherhead Theatre, 7 Church Street, Leatherhead, Surrey KT22 8DN**

Hosted by vocalist Jenny Green. 8pm start.

Usually the last Friday of the month. [www.jennygreensings.com](http://www.jennygreensings.com)

# Out & About

## Courtney Pine & Zoe Rahman

*St. George's Church, Brighton*

*Saturday 14th March 2015*

An enormous Yamaha piano glints in the shaft of light from a stained-glass window and a single spotlight picks out mosaic tiles on the floor. There is an expectant hush but also a contained excitement. The atmosphere of a church tends to add an otherworldliness to the understated glamour of jazz, as acts as diverse as the Gwilym Simcock Trio and Claire Martin and the Montpellier Cello Quartet can testify. Tonight is no exception as Courtney Pine performs the third date of his tour of latest album *Song (The Ballad Book)* with fellow MOBO Award winner and Mercury nominee Zoe Rahman.

Pine was first discovered at the age of 20 and has become one of the most commercially successful international jazz artists around, equally at home in mainstream pop and world music, just as capable of holding the attention of an audience at the Royal Festival Hall, as a jazz festival crowd in Jakarta. More recently and nearer to home, St George's in Kemp Town, has been playing an increasingly influential role in bringing jazz out of small specialised venues and more into the public eye.

Tonight, a quick glance around the building's expansive neo-Gothic arches and creamy stone walls, soon reveals the presence of a good cross-section of Brighton: fellow musicians come to pay their respects; enthusiasts who believe in keeping music live; alternative Saturday night entertainment seekers; and dedicated fans not really into jazz at all, just into Courtney himself.

The first striking aspect of the evening is the stripped-down stage set: no rhythm section, no brass, no frills ... and no band. Instead, we simply get a gracefully exotic Rahman walking on stage in a long blue and silver evening dress, hair cascading down her back like a fall of black sea-waves. Seating herself at the Yamaha, at first she seems almost hidden by it. It is when she begins to play that she seems to grow in presence. Her own solo



introduction to the show is sometimes expressively rhythmical, sometimes staccato, and sometimes lyrical and flowing.

The duo's extensive re-working of *Let My People Go* sees Pine and Rahman in dramatic interplay, with Pine giving the audience an emotional roller-coaster ride in spectacular slides up and down the scales. A Middle Eastern modal feel insinuates itself. Together, the two artists further develop and imbue the music with foreboding, unease and elements of "film-noir", Pine providing the suspense, and Rahman, the mystery.

In stark contrast to this, Pine's black-and-gold bass clarinet, nearly as big as himself, often punctuates the melody in discordant bursts, and he cheerfully gets it to belch, break wind and generally make rude noises like a disgruntled dinner guest, throughout the show. It seems to have a mind of its own, almost like a maverick third band member. He calms it down into a mellower mood on a spellbinding version of *Windmills of Your Mind* however, and Rahman weaves the simple tune into a glorious Indian raga, entrancing the audience. Here, the spiritual ambience and acoustics of the venue are revealed, combining with the players in a beautiful meditative enhancement of the tune.



Dedicating *A Child is Born* to his manager, Nikki Meadows, who has coordinated the whole *Song* tour, Pine seems determined to run the whole gamut of sound in his performance. Knee-length black dreads flying, leaning forward, clarinet ablaze, he dances from frantic guttural bursts, into ethereal flights of fancy, which seem to take the audience to another place and time. There are moments when Pine seems to confront us wilfully with random avant-garde feedback, but then he suddenly and unexpectedly leads us back into a softer, gentler realm. Taken from the new album, his breathtaking version of *A Nightingale*

*Sang in Berkeley Square*, which he introduces with crisp sweet bird-like notes, is interspersed with soft high piano phrases from Rahman, giving it an intimate, deeply romantic, feel, with a tear-jerking undertone, ending on a lingering, very low bass clarinet solo, and

bringing the audience to its feet. For the finale, Pine chooses to deliver *One Last Cry*, followed by Donny Hathaway's rousing *Some Day We'll All Be Free* as an encore, and ending with a warm verbal tribute to his sound engineer for making the resonance of the church interior such a pleasure for the players.

As a performer, Pine's substantial body of work is jazz-based but hugely eclectic, and nowhere is this more evident than on *Song* and its unique interpretation of

familiar ballads. The duo's next stop is Cape Town, South Africa, where Pine will be working to get disadvantaged children involved in playing music as an alternative to being on the streets. You get the sense of a man wanting to use his celebrity to give something back to the world. After the gig, as he finishes signing CDs for the long queue of fans, gives a huge smile, and disappears with Rahman into the night, I sense that his quirky and individual take on jazz will help him do just that.

**Jasmine Sharif**

## Album Review

### Steve Thompson: Evidence Bag (STRBCD2015)

Steve is of course well known locally for being part of the superb rhythm section at Smalls Jazz Club, but he has many other strings to his bow.

For this CD he has gathered around him some like minded musicians: Tim Wells on B3 Hammond Organ, Preston Prince on drums, Dave Smith on guitar and Nick Higgins on tenor. Steve has written all the tunes on the CD and it was recorded in Hove Actually.



Steve's intention was to recreate the sounds of scores from film and television American cops shows of yesteryear and in that, he has certainly succeeded. Any one of these tunes could feature in that genre.

A couple of the slower tempo tunes – *Utopia & Jake* are well imagined and beautifully played on Hammond, tenor & bass.

Perhaps Steve could call on his screen writings skills to write some cop shows to go along with this highly successful CD.

**John Edwards**

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# Listings

## **Don't be disappointed**

If you are traveling a long distance, contact the venue before setting out, in order to confirm that it is still going ahead.

Details are assumed to be correct at the time of publication.

## **Big Band Listings**

For big band listings around Sussex please see the column Big Band Scene.

## **Be on time**

The times listed are those given by the venue. This is normally the start time so you will have to get there about 30mins beforehand to get a seat and settle down.

## **Nothing is free**

Gigs that are advertised as free mean that they won't charge at the door, but the musicians will be paid by the venue who rely on income from the bar and/or kitchen.

Please support artists and venues by buying a few drinks, and maybe having something to eat.

## **Keep the noise down**

Please remember to switch off your mobile phone and other mobile devices.

And don't talk during the bass solo (or any solo for that matter).

## **[R] = Residency**

The listed performer plays there regularly (but may not be there every week) and may have special guests.

## **When should I clap?**

When you're the only one clapping, it's time to stop.

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# April Gig Listings

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Wednesday

1

**In Session with the  
Wayne McConnell Trio**

The Verdict, Brighton  
8:30pm Free [R]

**Liane Carroll**

Porters Wine Bar, Hastings  
9pm Free [R]

**Sebastien Ginaux Trio + Support**

Boutique, Brighton  
8pm £25/£20/£14.50

Thursday

2

**Jack Kendon + Guests**

The Bristol Bar, Brighton  
8pm Free [R]

**Regency Tavern Jam Session**

Regency Tavern, Brighton  
8:30pm Free

Friday

3

**Jean Toussaint/John Donaldson  
Quartet**

The Verdict, Brighton  
8:30pm £15/12

**Steve Aston Gypsy Jazz**

The Office, Brighton  
8:30pm Free [R]

Good Friday

Saturday

4

**Imogen Ryall**

Queen Victoria,  
Rottingdean  
2-5pm Free [R]

**Steve Aston Gypsy Jazz**

The Paris House, Brighton  
4-7pm Free [R]

**Soweto Kinch**

The Ropetackle, Shoreham  
8pm £15

Sunday

5

**Savannah/Assorted Nuts**

The Six Bells, Chiddingly  
1-3pm Free [R]

**Gypsy Jazz**

The Hand In Hand, Brighton  
8:30pm Free [R]

**Steve Aston Gypsy Jazz**

Three Jolly Butchers, Brighton  
3-6pm Free [R]

**Black Lion Jazz**

The Black Lion, Brighton  
9pm Free [R]

Easter  
Sunday

**Lawrence Jones All Stars**

Lion & Lobster, Brighton  
8-10pm Free [R]

# Gig Listings

Monday

6

Easter Monday

**Jazz Jam with One Hat Trio**

The Bee's Mouth, Hove  
9pm Free [R]

**Lou Beckerman with Terry Seabrook & Steve Thompson**

The Snowdrop, Lewes  
8-10:30pm Free [R]

Tuesday

7

**The Brunswick Jazz Jam hosted by Paul Richards**

The Brunswick, Hove  
8:30pm Free [R]

**Alan Barnes**

The Hare & Hounds,  
Worthing  
8:30pm Free

Wednesday

8

**In Session with the Wayne McConnell Trio**

The Verdict, Brighton  
8:30pm Free [R]

**Liane Carroll**

Porters Wine Bar, Hastings  
9pm Free [R]

Thursday

9

**Jack Kendon + Guests**

The Bristol Bar, Brighton  
8pm Free [R]

**Allison Neale/Katie**

**Brown Quintet**  
Smalls, Brighton  
8pm £14

Friday

10

**Dave O'Higgins Quartet**

The Verdict, Brighton, 8:30pm £15/12

**Lawrence Jones**

Underground Theatre, Eastbourne, 8pm £11/10

**Steve Aston Gypsy Jazz**

The Office, Brighton 8:30pm Free [R]

**Courtney Pine/Zoe Rahman**

St. Mary in the Castle, Hastings, 7:30pm £23.50

Saturday

11

**Imogen Ryall**

Queen Victoria,  
Rottingdean  
2-5pm Free [R]

**Eddie Myer Quintet**

The Verdict, Brighton  
8:30pm £7/5

**Steve Aston Gypsy Jazz**

The Paris House, Brighton  
4-7pm Free [R]

**Marius Neset Quintet**

Brighton Dome Studio Theatre  
7:30pm £14

Sunday

12

**Savannah/Assorted Nuts**

The Six Bells, Chiddingfold  
1-3pm Free [R]

**Gypsy Jazz**

The Hand In Hand, Brighton  
8:30pm Free [R]

**Steve Aston Gypsy Jazz**

Three Jolly Butchers, Brighton  
3-6pm Free [R]

**Black Lion Jazz**

The Black Lion, Brighton  
9pm Free [R]

**Lawrence Jones All Stars**

Lion & Lobster, Brighton  
8-10pm Free [R]

Monday

13

**Art Themen with Terry Seabrook & Milo Fell**

The Snowdrop, Lewes  
8-10:30pm Free [R]

**Jazz Jam with One Hat Trio**

The Bee's Mouth, Hove  
9pm Free [R]

**The A Train Jam Session**

Caxton Arms (basement), Brighton  
8pm Free [R]

Tuesday

14

**The Brunswick Jazz Jam hosted by Paul Richards**

The Brunswick, Hove  
8:30pm Free [R]

**Geoff Mason & Kelvin Christian**

The Hare & Hounds,  
Worthing  
8:30pm Free

**Art Themen/Laura Jurd Quintet**

JazzHastings  
8:30pm £8

Wednesday

15

**In Session with the Wayne McConnell Trio**

The Verdict, Brighton, 8:30pm Free [R]

**Liane Carroll**

Porters Wine Bar, Hastings  
9pm Free [R]

**Polar Bear + Leafcutter John**

Komedia, Brighton, 7:30pm £15

**Jenny Green Jazz Nights**

Pavilion Cafe, East Grinstead, 8pm £10

Thursday

16

**Jack Kendon + Guests**

The Bristol Bar, Brighton  
8pm Free [R]

Friday

17

**Geoff Simkins/Gareth Williams Quartet**

The Verdict, Brighton  
8:30pm £12/9

**Steve Aston Gypsy Jazz**

The Office, Brighton  
8:30pm Free [R]

**Enrico Tomasso/Karen Sharp Quintet**

Under Ground Theatre,  
Eastbourne  
8pm £13/12

**Steve Waterman Quartet**

Chichester Jazz Club  
7:45pm £12/7

Saturday

18

**Imogen Ryall**

Queen Victoria,  
Rottingdean  
2-5pm Free [R]

**Steve Aston Gypsy Jazz**

The Paris House, Brighton  
4-7pm Free [R]

**Courtney Pine & Zoe Rahman**

St. George's Church, Brighton  
7pm doors/8pm start £18/£20

Sunday

19

**Jazz Brunch with Paul Richards Duo**

Leaf Hall, Eastbourne, 11:30am £8  
(includes tea/coffee + a pastry)

**Lawrence Jones All Stars**

Lion & Lobster, Brighton  
8-10pm Free [R]

**Savannah/Assorted Nuts**

The Six Bells, Chiddingfold  
1-3pm Free [R]

**Gypsy Jazz**

The Hand In Hand, Brighton  
8:30pm Free [R]

**Steve Aston Gypsy Jazz**

Three Jolly Butchers, Brighton  
3-6pm Free [R]

**Black Lion Jazz**

The Black Lion, Btn.  
9pm Free [R]



# Gig Listings

Monday

20

**Abi Flynn with Terry Seabrook & Russ Gleason**

The Snowdrop, Lewes  
8-10:30pm Free [R]

**Jazz Jam with One Hat Trio**

The Bee's Mouth, Hove  
9pm Free [R]

**The A Train Jam Session**

Caxton Arms (basement), Brighton  
8pm Free [R]

Tuesday

21

**The Brunswick Jazz Jam hosted by Paul Richards**

The Brunswick, Hove  
8:30pm Free [R]

**Andy Williams & Tony Williams**

The Hare & Hounds, Worthing, 8:30pm Free

**Buster Birch Plays Buster Keaton**

Birley Centre, Eastbourne, 7:30pm £9

Wednesday

22

**In Session with the Wayne McConnell Trio**

The Verdict, Brighton  
8:30pm Free [R]

**Liane Carroll**

Porters Wine Bar, Hastings  
9pm Free [R]

Thursday

23

**Jack Kendon + Guests**

The Bristol Bar, Brighton  
8pm Free [R]

**Alan Barnes Quartet**

Smalls, Brighton  
8pm £14

Friday

24

**Jim Mullen/Zoe Francis Quintet**

The Verdict, Brighton  
8:30pm £15/12

**Steve Aston Gypsy Jazz**

The Office, Brighton  
8:30pm Free [R]

Saturday

25

**Imogen Ryall**

Queen Victoria,  
Rottingdean  
2-5pm Free [R]

**Steve Aston**

**Gypsy Jazz**  
The Paris House,  
Brighton  
4-7pm Free [R]

Sunday

26

**Savannah/Assorted Nuts**

The Six Bells, Chiddingly  
1-3pm Free [R]

**Steve Aston Gypsy Jazz**

Three Jolly Butchers, Brighton  
3-6pm Free [R]

**Lawrence Jones All Stars**

Lion & Lobster,  
Brighton  
8-10pm Free [R]

**Black Lion Jazz**

The Black Lion,  
Brighton  
9pm Free [R]

**Gypsy Jazz**

The Hand In  
Hand, Brighton  
8:30pm Free [R]

Monday

27

**Roy Hilton with Terry Seabrook & Malcolm Mortimore**  
The Snowdrop, Lewes  
8pm Free [R]

**Jazz Jam with One Hat Trio**

The Bee's Mouth, Hove  
9pm Free [R]

**The A Train Jam Session**

Caxton Arms (basement), Brighton  
8pm Free [R]

Tuesday

28

**The Brunswick Jazz Jam hosted by Paul Richards**  
The Brunswick, Hove  
8:30pm Free [R]

**Afro Blue**

The Hare & Hounds,  
Worthing  
8:30pm Free

Wednesday

29

**In Session with the Wayne McConnell Trio**  
The Verdict, Brighton  
8:30pm Free [R]

**Liane Carroll**

Porters Wine Bar, Hastings  
9pm Free [R]

Thursday

30

**The Condonians**  
Chichester Jazz Club  
7:45pm £12/7

**Jack Kendon + Guests**  
The Bristol Bar,  
Brighton  
8pm Free [R]

**Nigel Thomas + Guests**  
The Ancient Mariner,  
Hove  
8:30pm Free [R]

**Ken Peplowski/  
Rosanno Sportiello**  
Smalls, Brighton  
8pm £14

# On The Horizon

## May 2015

### **Brighton Festival**

Fri. 8th May The Dome Corn Exchange  
GoGo Penguin

Fri. 22nd May Theatre Royal  
Carleen Anderson with the Julian Joseph  
Trio

### **Stanmer House, Brighton**

The Claire Martin Quartet  
feat. Julian Nicholas  
Sunday 10th May, 12:30-4:15pm

### **St. George's Church, Brighton**

Fri. 29th May: Bill Laurance Project

### **Brighton Fringe Festival**

All Things Must Pass  
Edana Minghella Sings Billie  
Holiday  
Straight No Chaser: Basie for Big &  
Small Bands  
Herbie Flowers Jazz Breakfast  
Joss Peach's Full Circle  
Liane Carroll  
Mingus Underground Octet  
My Friend Lester

### **The Birley Centre, Eastbourne**

19th: Ian Shaw & Liane Carroll

### **Sunday Jazz Brunch @ Leaf Hall, Eastbourne**

10th May, 11:30am: Neal Richardson Duo

### **Jazz Hastings**

Tues. 5th May Liam Noble Trio with  
Geoff Simkins

## June & July 2015

### **Pavilion Theatre Worthing**

Saturday 13th June  
Jacqui Dankworth

Thursday 18th June  
The Ronnie Scott's All Stars Quintet

### **Chichester Jazz Club**

18th June Jay Phelps Quintet

### **Rye Jazz Festival**

27th - 31st August

### **Love Supreme Festival**

Friday 3rd - Sunday 5th July

# Venue Guide

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- All Saints Church**, The Drive (corner of Eaton Road), Hove BN3 3QE Tel. 01273 733331
- Bacall's Bar**, Rialto Theatre, 11 Dyke Road, Brighton BN1 3FE
- Barney's Cafe/Bar**, 46-56 Portland Rd., Worthing, West Sussex BN11 1QN 01903 527075
- Boutique**, 2 Boyces Street (off West Street), Brighton BN1 1AN
- Casablanca Jazz Club**, 3 Middle St., Brighton BN1 1AL Tel. 01273 321817
- Charles Dickens**, Heene Road, Worthing, West Sussex, United Kingdom. BN11 3RG
- Chichester Jazz Club**, Pallant Suite, 7 South Pallant, Chichester PO19 1SY  
[www.chichesterjazzclub.co.uk](http://www.chichesterjazzclub.co.uk)
- Chichester Cinema at New Park**, New Park Road, Chichester PO19 7XY  
[www.chichestercinema.org](http://www.chichestercinema.org)
- Coach and Horses**, Arundel Road, Worthing Tel. 01903 241943
- Cubar**, 5 Preston St., Brighton BN1 2HX  
[www.cubarbrighton.com](http://www.cubarbrighton.com)
- Forest Row Jazz Club**, The Forest Row Social Club, End of Station Rd, Forest Row, RH18 5DW
- Hand In Hand**, 33 Upper St. James's St., Brighton BN2 1JN Tel. 01273 699595
- Hove Cricket Ground** (Boundary Rooms), Eaton Rd, Hove BN3 3AN
- Jazz Hastings**, The East Hastings Sea Angling Association, The Stade, Hastings TN34 3FJ (near Jerwood Gallery/Lifeboat Station) Tel. 01424 250221  
[www.jazzhastings.co.uk](http://www.jazzhastings.co.uk)
- Knoye Hall** (next to St. John's Church), 1 Knoye Road, Brighton BN1 6RB

**Leaf Hall**, 51 Seaside, Eastbourne, BN22 7NB 01323-325764  
[www.leafhall.co.uk](http://www.leafhall.co.uk)

**Lion & Lobster**, 24 Sillwood St., Brighton BN1 2PS Tel. 01273 327 299

**Patcham Community Centre**, Ladies Mile Road, Brighton BN1 8TA

**Pavilion Cafe**, Chequer Mead Community Arts Centre, De La Warr Road, East Grinstead, West Sussex RH19 3BS

**Pavilion Theatre**, Marine Parade, Worthing BN11 3PX  
[www.worthingtheatres.co.uk](http://www.worthingtheatres.co.uk)

**Porters Wine Bar**, 56 High Street, Hastings TN34 3EN Tel. 01424 427000

**Ravenswood Inn**, Horsted Lane, Sharpthorne, W. Sussex RH19 4HY

**Queen Victoria**, 54 High Street, Rottingdean BN2 7HF Tel. 01273 302 121

**St. Bartholomew's Church**, Ann Street (off London Road), Brighton BN1 4GP  
[www.stbartholomewsbrighton.org.uk](http://www.stbartholomewsbrighton.org.uk)

**St. George's Church**, St. George's Road (corner of Abbey Rd.), Kemp Town, Brighton BN2 1ED [www.stgeorgesbrighton.org](http://www.stgeorgesbrighton.org)

**St. John's Church**, Knoyle Road (corner of Preston Road), Brighton BN1 6RB  
[www.brightonstjohn.org.uk](http://www.brightonstjohn.org.uk)

**St. Mary in the Castle**, 7 Pelham Crescent, Hastings, East Sussex TN34 3AF

**Safehouse** (an improvised and experimental music collective) upstairs at The Good Companions, 132 Dyke Road, Brighton BN1 3TE  
<http://safehousebrighton.co.uk>

**Saltdean Lido**, Saltdean Park Road, Saltdean

**Smalls**, The Caxton Arms (basement), 36 North Gardens, Brighton BN1 3LB  
[www.smallsjazzbrighton.com](http://www.smallsjazzbrighton.com)

**Steyning Jazz Club**, Steyning Centre, Fletchers Croft, Church St., Steyning BN44 3YB  
Tel. 01903 814017 [www.steyningjazz.co.uk](http://www.steyningjazz.co.uk)

**The Albion** 110 Church Road, Hove, BN3 2EB

**The Ancient Mariner**, 59 Rutland Road (off Portland Rd.), Hove BN3 5FE

**The Balcombe Club**, Victory Hall, Stockcroft Road, Balcombe, Haywards Heath RH17 6HP

**The Bee's Mouth**, 10 Western Road, Brighton BN3 1AE Tel. 01273 770083

**The Birley Centre**, Carlisle Road (corner of College Road), Eastbourne BN21 4EF

**The Black Lion**, 14 Black Lion Street, Brighton BN1 1ND

**The Bristol Bar**, Paston Place, Brighton BN2 1HA Tel. 01273 605687

**The Brunswick**, 1-3 Holland Rd, Hove BN3 1JF Tel. 01273 302 121 [www.thebrunswick.net](http://www.thebrunswick.net)

**The Bugle**, 24 St. Martins Street, Brighton BN2 3HJ Tel. 01273 607753

**The Caxton Arms** (basement), 36 North Gardens, Brighton BN1 3LB

**The Church of the Annunciation**, 89 Washington Street, Brighton BN2 9SR  
[www.annunciationbrighton.org.uk](http://www.annunciationbrighton.org.uk)

**The Crown & Anchor**, 213 Preston Road, Preston Park, Brighton BN1 6SA Tel. 01273 559494

**The Denton Lounge**, Worthing Pier, Worthing Tel. 01903 218 250

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1. Which singer was born Eleanora Fagan on April 7th 1915?
2. Which jazz saxophonist, performing in Sussex in April, has a degree in Modern History from Oxford University?
3. What's the title of Marius Neset's latest album?
4. Which jazz saxophonist studied medicine at Cambridge University before becoming an orthopaedic surgeon?
5. Dave Williams and Jackie Sampson are vocalists in which big band?
6. Gilad Atzmon was recently prevented from performing at which venue in Manchester?
7. Who is the drummer in contemporary jazz trio Partikel?
8. Jenny Green hosts a radio show on which local radio station?
9. What's the name of Courtney Pine's latest album?
10. Saxophonist Riley Stone-Lonergan performed with which big band at the BBC Proms?

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# *Billie Holiday*



*April 7, 1915 - July 17, 1959*

## **Quiz Answers**

1. Billie Holiday
2. Soweto Kinch
3. Pinball
4. Art Themen
5. Brighton Big Band
6. Royal Northern College of Music
7. Eric Ford
8. Ridge Radio
9. Song (The Ballad Book)
10. NYJO