

# Syllabus & Entry Form

Available online:
www.cambornemusicfestival.org
Tuesday 14th to Saturday 18th November
at Camborne Centenary Church

FREE ENTRIES to all classes - to be received no later than Sunday October 1st 2023

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Please send entries to:

## cambornemusicfestival@aol.co.uk

If required, entry forms can be found on the middle pages.

Closing date for entries: Sunday October 1st 2023

## **Entries Secretary: Rebecca Bond**

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Please submit your entries promptly



## **CAMBORNE MUSIC FESTIVAL 2023**

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## **Our Adjudicator**

## MARILYNNE DAVIES



After studying Voice, 'cello and Piano at the Royal Welsh School of Music and Drama Marilynne has spent her working life in education. Her experience ranges from Nurserv to Post Graduate levels and has embraced a range of the arts from Music to Drama, Film and Television.

As an Adjudicator for the British and International Federation of Festivals she has adjudicated across the UK and abroad. In 2011 she was honoured to be created one of the first Fellows of the Federation and she is currently Chair of the Fellows.

She has researched into the Practice of Performance and the results have been disseminated across a European Consortium of Conservatoires.

She is an experienced Conductor and has run Choral workshops and courses. She is currently Deputy Music Director of the Harrogate Choral Society.

She is so looking forward to being back at the Camborne Festival.

Official Accompanists

If you require an official accompanist, please contact Mrs Wendy Curnow - 01209 711626

#### **FESTIVAL RULES**

- 1. Entry to all Classes of the Camborne Music Festival is restricted to amateur musicians, i.e. individuals who do not derive their main source of income from the discipline they enter.
- Online entries are preferable. All enquiries can be sent to cambornemusicfestival@aol.co.uk or post to the Entry Secretary - address on inside front cover.
- CLOSING DATE for Entries is Sunday October 1st 2023. For Class 106 & 107 (Composition), entries should be accompanied by either a MANUSCRIPT form or a good quality CD RECORDING of the composition.
- 4. Championship Class Class 30. The adjudicator will name up to 6 competitors from any class to perform in the Championship Class, they will be required to perform any own choice piece. This can be one that has already been performed at this year's festival.
- 5. If the services of the Official Accompanists are required, the MUSIC MUST BE SENT TO THEM AT LEAST 14 DAYS BEFORE THE ACTUAL COMPETITION. Failure to do so could lead to cancellation of the entry. Competitors must bring a second copy of the music, to be handed to the music secretaries 15 minutes before the commencement of the Class.
- 6. Under the GDPR regulations, by submitting entry forms, information will be stored by Camborne Music Festival and used specifically by festival officials for the purposes of administering Camborne Music Festival. For competitors under 18 (or vulnerable adults of any age) the person submitting the entry form is confirming they have obtained the necessary consent for the entrant(s).
- 7. The Official Accompanist will not be available for rehearsal during the week of the Festival.
  - Please note that the Official Accompanist, whilst willing to 'run through' a test piece must not be regarded as the means of learning a piece.
  - One 'run through' per competitor is the norm.
- 8. All accompaniments will be from the piano, except for Choirs, when the organ may be used. School Choirs may be accompanied by the piano and up to two other instruments. Alternatively, they may be accompanied by a CD recording. Brass ensembles may include percussion. In keyboard Classes the rhythm box can be used.
- When an age restriction applies, November 14th 2023 is the qualifying date.

- 10. All competitors will receive notification of the day, start time for the Class and the order in which they will perform in each Class. (The Committee reserves the right to amend this order if necessary). Competitors should be present AT LEAST 15 minutes before the commencement of the Class and deliver their music, where appropriate, to the Music Table. Please be aware that to facilitate the smooth running of the Festival, some Classes MAY START A FEW MINUTES EARLIER THAN PUBLISHED.
- 11. All mark sheets, certificates and own choice music must be collected after each session in the Refreshment Hall. The Committee cannot be held responsible for loss of music or property.
- 12. Class winners 18 years and over must obtain an aggregate mark of 84% or over in the Class to be awarded a Challenge Trophy or Medal.
- 13. The decision of the Adjudicator is final.
- 14. If any communication to the Adjudicator is necessary, it must be made through the Secretary.
- 15. The number of Entries will govern the arrangement of the Programme.

Every effort will be made to schedule Classes for Under 12's BEFORE 7pm, and Classes for Under 14's BEFORE 8.30pm, but note that juniors entering 'Open' Classes may have to compete late in the evening.

- 16. **NO PHOTOCOPIES TO BE USED** without Publishers' permission.
- 17. Where grades are set, competitors may not enter a Class lower than the grade or standard they have achieved. The piece of music selected should be of an appropriate standard for the Class.
- 18. No videos, tape recordings or photographs during the Festival performances.
- 19. All performances using music from shows in current production are subject to Copyright law. Songs from shows in current production may be sung as a concert item, i.e. with no costume or movement, without need for copyright permission. Where movement or costumes are included in a performance, copyright permission is required and the Festival committee accepts these entries on the basis that this permission has been sought. Clarification on obtaining permission can be obtained from Festival House on 01625 428297.
- 20. Database Protection Act Please be aware that the Camborne Music Festival holds information on competitors solely for the purpose of running the Festival. Also that photographs and names of winners may be published on the Camborne Music Festival website.

Performances over a time limit (where stipulated) will be adjudicated but not marked. Please comply with the timings stated for your Class, otherwise you will be penalised.

#### **REMINDER**

Current holders of Trophies MUST return them before 1st October 2023, <a href="cleaned">cleaned</a> and in their original condition to the Trophy Secretary:

Mrs Linda Paul, 107 Mount Ambrose, Redruth TR15 1NW.

Tel: 07967 122245

or Trophyman, 7 Cross Street, Camborne. TR14 8ES

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Please NOTE - that where 'Own Choice' pieces are to be performed, the Competitor will be expected to announce the title and composer of the piece and to acknowledge the applause afterwards. This will be taken into account as part of the performance.

Important Notice regarding the National Standard Marking System introduced by the British & International Federation of Festivals in 2002.

All adjudicators are being asked to mark a common standard, whereby a similar performance at different festivals is awarded a similar mark, thus avoiding wide discrepancies that have occurred in the past.

The Standards are as follows:

Description	Mark	Standard of Performance
ATTAINMENT	75-77	A performance limited in its communication
ATTAINMENT	<i>7</i> 8-80	A performance showing development of technique and/or communication
MERIT	81-83	A capable performance showing some artistic appreciation and/or technical ability
HIGHLY COMMENDED	84-86	A convincing performance technically and artistically
DISTINCTION	87-89	An excellent performance technically and artistically
HONOURS	90+	An exceptional performance both technically and artistically

## Maximum Performance Time

## JUNIOR VOCALS

Class 1	<b>Girls or Boys Solo under 8 years</b> Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 2	<b>Girls or Boys Solo 8 years and under 10 years</b> Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 3	<b>Girls or Boys Solo 10 years and under 13 years</b> Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 4	<b>Girls or Boys Solo 13 years and under 15 years</b> Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 5	<b>Girls or Boys Solo - 13 years and under 15 years</b> Own Choice from a Musical or Film	4 minutes
Class 6	<b>Girls or Boys Solo - 15 years and under 18 years</b> Own Choice from a Musical or Film	4 minutes
Class 7	Folk Song - Girls or Boys Solo - 11 years and under 15 years Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 8	<b>Girls or Boys Duet under 14 years</b> Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 9	Folk Song - 15 years and under 18 years Can be Unaccompanied Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 10	<b>Girls or Boys Solo 15 years and under 18 years</b> Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 11	<b>Vocal Duet - Any Voice - under 18 years</b> Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 12	Sacred Song (not Oratorio) - Under 11 years Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 13	Sacred Song (not Oratorio) - 11 years and under 14 years Own Choice	4 minutes

Class 14	Sacred Song (not Oratorio) - 15 years and under 18 years Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 15	Solo Class (Vocal or Instrumental) for Children/Young Adults with Special Needs or Learning Difficulties Own Choice Note that this class will be adjudicated but not marked	4 minutes
Class 16	Novice Class (Vocal or Instrumental) - Non Competitive	4 minutes

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for anyone who has not previously entered a Festival

Own Choice

**Soprano -** Own Choice

Own Choice

Mezzo Soprano - Own Choice

Class 21

Class 22

Note that this class will be adjudicated but not marked

## ADULT VOCALS - age 18 years and over

Note that a Competitor may compete in only **one** of Classes 21, 22 or 23

Class 23	Contralto - Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 24	Ladies' Open - Any Song by a British Composer EXCL any song eligible for Classes 29, 34, 35, 36, 38 and 40 Own Choice	
Note that a Competitor may compete in only <b>one</b> of Classes 25, 26 or 27		
Class 25	Tenor - Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 26	Baritone - Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 27	Bass - Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 28	Men's Open - Any Song by a British Composer EXCLUDING any song eligible for Classes 29, 34, 35, 36, 38 and 40 Own Choice 4 minutes	
Class 29	Ladies' or Men's Open	

Victorian or Edwardian Song - Dates 1837 - 1910

Class 30	Championship Class Adjudicator`s choice of the best performances from a to take place on Saturday evening.	any class
Class 31	Ladies' or Men's Solo - 18-27 years - excluding a song from a Film, Show or Musical Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 32	Ladies' or Men's Open - Sacred Song (not Oratorio) Own Choice	) 4 minutes
Class 34	<b>Oratorio or Cantata - Open</b> Own Choice	5 minutes
Class 35	<b>Operatic Aria - Any Voice - Open</b> Own Choice	5 minutes
Class 36	<b>Lieder - Open</b> Choice of piece from Schumann, Schubert, Brahms.	4 minutes
Class 37	<b>Operatic Duet - Open</b> Own Choice	5 minutes
Class 38	Ladies' or Men's Light Opera - excluding Musicals and Gilbert & Sullivan Own Choice	5 minutes
Class 39	Ladies' or Men's Solo from Gilbert & Sullivan Competitors Own Choice	5 minutes
Class 40	Ladies' or Men's Popular Song from the 40s, 50s or The standard of choice of music will be taken into consideration Own Choice	r <b>60s</b> 4 minutes
Class 41	Ladies' and/or Men's Duet Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 42	Trio - Open - Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 43	Quartet - Any Voices - Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 44	Quartet - Male Voices - Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 45	<b>Ensemble - not more than 12 voices</b> Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 46	Folk Song - Unaccompanied Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 47	Folk Song - Ensemble (3-8 Performers) Own Choice	5 minutes

Class 48	Senior Citizen (65 years and over) Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 49	Song from a Show, Film or Musical - 18-27 years Own Choice	5 minutes
Class 50	<b>Ladies' or Men's Open - Song from a Film, Show or M</b> Own Choice	<b>lusical</b> 5 minutes
Class 54	Ladies' or Men's Popular Song from World War I and World War II. The standard of choice of music taken into consideration.  Own Choice	will be 4 minutes
	FAMILY GROUPS	
Class 51	Adult & Child - Vocal or Instrumental or both Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 52	Family Group - 3 - 8 Performers (Any Voices or Inst Own Choice	<b>truments)</b> 8 minutes
9	SONG SUNG IN THE CORNISH LANGUAGE	
Class 53	Non-Competitive Class - Solo, Group or Choir to posong sung in the Cornish language. This class will be adjudicated but not marked.	
	Own Choice	5 minutes
	BARBERSHOP	
Class 61	Barbershop Quartet - Any Voices Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 62	Barbershop Chorus Own Choice of 3 contrasting pieces	12 minutes
CHOIRS		
Note that School Choirs may be accompanied by piano and up to two instruments or a CD recording.		

- Class 71 Primary Schools with less than 150 pupils in the School
  Choir to perform TWO contrasting Own Choice pieces 8 minutes
- Class 72 Primary Schools with more than 150 pupils in the School
  Choir to perform TWO contrasting Own Choice pieces 8 minutes
- Class 73 Primary Schools Advanced
  Choir to perform TWO contrasting Own Choice pieces 8 minutes

Class 74 Senior Schools - Intermediate 8 minutes Choir to perform TWO contrasting Own Choice pieces Class 75 Senior Schools - Advanced 10 minutes Choir to perform TWO contrasting Own Choice pieces Class 76 **Ladies Choir - Intermediate** 12 minutes Choir to perform THREE contrasting Own Choice pieces. The selection of the three pieces will not be published in the programme and it is not necessary therefore, to specify titles at the time of entering. Please note that the maximum time will be STRICTLY adhered to. Class 77 **Ladies Choir - Advanced** 12 minutes THREE contrasting Own Choice pieces. The selection of the three pieces will not be published in the programme and it is not necessary therefore, to specify titles at the time of entering. Please note that the maximum time will be STRICTLY adhered to. Class 78 Male Voice Choirs - Intermediate 12 minutes Choir to perform THREE contrasting Own Choice pieces. The selection of the three pieces will not be published in the programme and it is not necessary therefore, to specify titles at the time of entering. Please note that the maximum time will be STRICTLY adhered to. Class 79 Male Voice Choirs - Advanced 12 minutes THREE contrasting Own Choice pieces. The selection of the three pieces will not be published in the programme and it is not necessary therefore, to specify titles at the time of entering. Please note that the maximum time will be STRICTLY adhered to. Class 80 Junior Novice Choir - 18 years and under 8 minutes (a) Own Choice (b) Own Choice Class 81 Youth Choirs - other than Schools -21 years and under 8 minutes (a) Own Choice (b) Own Choice Class 82 Mixed Choirs to sing Sacred Music 12 minutes (a) Own Choice (b) Own Choice (c) Own Choice Class 83 **Choirs under 30 Voices** 12 minutes (a) Own Choice (b) Own Choice (c) Own Choice Class 84 Madrigal 12 minutes (a) Own Choice

(b) Own Choice(c) Own Choice

Class 85	Mixed Choirs (a) Own Choice (b) Own Choice (c) Own Choice	12 minutes
Class 86	Novice Class - Any Choir who has not previously entered a Festival  (a) Own Choice  (b) Own Choice  (c) Own Choice	12 minutes
F	PIPE ORGAN and ELECTRONIC KEYBOARI	D
Class 91	Pipe Organ - Elementary to Grade 3 standard Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 92	<b>Pipe Organ - Intermediate Grades 4 &amp; 5 standard</b> Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 93	<b>Pipe Organ - Advanced Grade 6 standard &amp; above</b> Own Choice	10 minutes
Class 94	Electronic Keyboard - Elementary to Grade 3 standard Own Choice	2 minutes
Class 95	Electronic Keyboard - Intermediate Grades 4 & 5 standard Own Choice	3 minutes
Class 96	Electronic Keyboard - Advanced Grade 6 standard and above Own Choice	5 minutes
Class 98	HANDBELLS Handbell Ensemble - Open Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 101	PIANO ACCORDION  Piano Accordion Solo - Open  Own Choice	6 minutes
Class 102	Piano Accordion Ensemble (2 - 5 players) - Open Own Choice	
Class 103	<b>Piano Accordion Band - Open</b> Own Choice	8 minutes

#### COMPOSITION

Class 106 Composition - Vocal or Instrumental or both 8 minutes
18 years and under. Compositions to be submitted in
MANUSCRIPT or CD form to the Entries Secretary by 2nd
October 2022.
The piece may be performed 'live' or recorded - please
ensure the recording is of a good quality.

Class 107 Composition - Vocal or Instrumental or both 10 minutes
Open Compositions to be submitted in MANUSCRIPT or CD
form to the Entries Secretary by 2nd October 2022.

The piece may be performed 'live' or recorded - please ensure the recording is of a good quality.

**PIANOFORTE** 

Please note - Competitors should only enter ONE Graded Class Grand Piano or Electric Piano available

Class 112	Solo - Pre Grade 1 standard Own Choice	2 minutes
Class 113	Solo - Grades 1 & 2 standard Own Choice	2 minutes
Class 114	<b>Duet - Grades 1 &amp; 2 standard</b> Own Choice	2 minutes
Class 115	Solo - Grades 3 & 4 standard Own Choice	3 minutes
Class 116	<b>Duet - Grades 3 &amp; 4 standard</b> Own Choice	3 minutes
Class 117	Solo - Grades 5 & 6 standard Own Choice	5 minutes
Class 118	<b>Duet Grades 5 &amp; 6 standard</b> Own Choice	5 minutes
Class 119	<b>Solo - Grade 7 standard and above</b> Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 120	<b>Duet - Grade 7 standard and above</b> Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 121	Solo - Open - Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 122	Duet - Open - Own Choice	8 minutes

## **GUITAR - CLASSICAL**

Please note - Competitors should only enter ONE Graded Class

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Class 131	<b>Elementary to Grade 3 standard</b> Own Choice	3 minutes	
Class 132	Intermediate - Grades 4 & 5 standard Own Choice	4 minutes	
Class 133	<b>Advanced - Grades 6 standard and above</b> Own Choice	8 minutes	
Class 134	Open - Own Choice	8 minutes	
Class 135	<b>Ensemble - Under 15 years - 2-6 guitars</b> Own Choice	5 minutes	
Class 136	<b>Ensemble - Open - 2-6 guitars</b> Own Choice	8 minutes	
	GUITAR ACOUSTIC PLECTRUM STYLE		
For Classe	es 141 to 144 the teacher may play chords to establish	a rhythm	
Class 141	Beginners Own Choice	2 minutes	
Class 142	<b>Elementary</b> Own Choice	2 minutes	
Class 143	Intermediate Own Choice	3 minutes	
Class 144	<b>Guitar Group - Open - Any number of Players</b> Own Choice	5 minutes	
	UKULELE		
Class 146	<b>Ukulele Group - Open - Any number of Players</b> Own Choice	3 minutes	
STRINGS			
Please note - Competitors should only enter ONE Graded Class			
Class 150	<b>Any String Instrument - Pre Grade 1 standard</b> Own Choice	2 minutes	
Class 151	Violin, Viola, Cello or Double Bass Grades 1 & 2 standard Own Choice	2 minutes	

Class 152	Violin, Viola, Cello or Double Bass Grades 3 & 4 standard Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 153	Violin, Viola, Cello or Double Bass Grades 5 & 6 standard Own Choice	6 minutes
Class 154	Violin, Viola, Cello or Double Bass Grades 7 & 8 standard Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 155	<b>Violin, Viola, Cello or Double Bass - Open</b> Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 156	<b>String Group - 2 or more players</b> Own Choice	8 minutes
	DESCANT RECORDERS	
Class 161	<b>Girls or Boys Under 10 years</b> Own Choice	2 minutes
Class 162	<b>Girls or Boys Under 12 years</b> Own Choice	3 minutes
Class 163	Open - Own Choice	5 minutes
	TREBLE RECORDERS	
Class 164	<b>Girls or Boys Under 10 years</b> Own Choice	2 minutes
Class 165	<b>Girls or Boys Under 12 years</b> Own Choice	3 minutes
Class 166	Open - Own Choice	5 minutes
	RECORDER GROUPS	
Class 167	<b>Duet - Primary School Children</b> Own Choice	3 minutes
Class 168	<b>Duet - Open</b> Own Choice	5 minutes
Class 169	Groups - 3 or more players Primary School Children Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 170	<b>Groups - Open</b> Own Choice	6 minutes

## WOODWIND

Please note - Competitors should only enter ONE Graded Class

Class 180	<b>Any Woodwind Instrument - Pre Grade 1 standard</b> Own Choice	3 minutes
Class 171	<b>Any Woodwind Instrument - Grade 1 &amp; 2 standard</b> Own Choice	3 minutes
Class 172	<b>Any Woodwind Instrument - Grade 3 &amp; 4 standard</b> Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 173	<b>Any Woodwind Instrument - Grade 5 &amp; 6 standard</b> Own Choice	6 minutes
Class 174	<b>Any Woodwind Instrument - Grade 7 &amp; 8 standard</b> Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 175	<b>Any Woodwind Instrument - Open</b> Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 176	Woodwind Ensemble - 3 or more players - Open Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 177	Woodwind Duet - Under 12 years Any two woodwind instruments (may be accompanied by Own Choice	3 minutes piano)
Class 178	<b>Woodwind Duet - Under 16 years</b> Any two woodwind instruments (may be accompanied by Own Choice	5 minutes piano)
Class 179	<b>Woodwind Duet - Open</b> Any two woodwind instruments (may be accompanied by Own Choice	7 minutes piano)
	ANY INSTRUMENT	
Class 191	Any Instrument & Piano Any instrument may include brass, strings or woodw both performers being judged Own Choice	5 minutes vind -
Class 192	Any instrument - 3 or more performers May include piano, brass, strings or woodwind Own Choice	8 minutes
	PERCUSSION	
Class 196	Tuned Percussion - Open - Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 197	Untuned Percussion - Open - Own Choice	8 minutes

## **BRASS**

Class 201	Girls or Boys 12 years and under Slow Melody or Florid Own Choice	3 minutes
Class 202	Girls or Boys 15 years and under Slow Melody or Florid Own Choice	5 minutes
Class 203	<b>18 years and under - Slow Melody or Florid</b> Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 204	Open Novice - Slow Melody - Own Choice	3 minutes
Class 205	Open - Slow Melody - Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 206	<b>16 years and under - Florid Solo</b> (Can be Air Varie, Polka or anything other than a Slow Melody)  Own Choice	
Class 207	<b>Open - Florid Solo</b> (Can be Air Varie, Polka or anything other than a Slow Melody) Own Choice	
Class 208	Duet - 11 years and under - Own Choice	3 minutes
Class 209	Duet - 14 years and under - Own Choice	5 minutes
Class 210	Duet - 18 years and under - Own Choice	5 minutes
Class 211	Duet - Open - Own Choice	8 minutes
Class 212	<b>Quartet - 12 years and under</b> Own Choice	4 minutes
Class 213	<b>Quartet - 14 years and under</b> Own Choice	6 minutes
Class 214	<b>Quartet - 18 years and under</b> Own Choice	10 minutes
Class 215	Quartet - Open - Own Choice	10 minutes
Class 216	<b>Ensemble - up to 12 players - 14 years and under</b> Own Choice	6 minutes
Class 217	Ensemble - up to 12 players - 16 years and under (May include percussion) Own Choice	10 minutes
Class 218	Ensemble - up to 12 players - 18 years and under (May include percussion) Own Choice	10 minutes
Class 219	Ensemble - up to 12 players - Open (May include percussion) Own Choice Please advise Secretary of the age range of this group to assist with scheduling	10 minutes

#### **Camborne Music Festival - Child Protection Policy**

The British and International Federation of Festivals for Music, Dance and Speech work for amateur festivals everywhere to help create thousands of educational performance opportunities for children and young people each year.

The Federation, and our member Festivals, are committed to ensuring safe environments for children and young people and believe that it is always unacceptable for a child or young person to experience abuse of any kind. We recognise our responsibility to safeguard the welfare of all children and young people, by a commitment to recommend best practice which protects them.

This policy applies to our Board of Trustees, paid staff, Adjudicator members, volunteers, students or anyone working on behalf of the Federation and our member Festivals.

#### We recognise that:

- the welfare of the child/young person is paramount
- all children, regardless of age, disability, gender, racial heritage, religious belief, sexual orientation or identity, have the right to equal protection from all types of harm or abuse
- working in partnership with children, young people, their parents, carers and other agencies is essential in promoting young people's welfare.

#### The purpose of the policy:

- to provide protection for the children and young people who participate in our festivals, including the children of festival members
- to provide staff and volunteers with guidance on procedures they should adopt in the event that they suspect a child or young person may be experiencing, or be at risk of. harm

#### We will seek to safeguard children and young people by:

- valuing them, listening to and respecting them
- adopting child protection guidelines through procedures and safe working practice for staff and volunteers
- recruiting staff and volunteers safely, ensuring all necessary checks are made sharing information about child protection and safe working practice with children, parents, staff and volunteers
- sharing information about concerns with agencies who need to know, and involving parents and children appropriately
- providing effective management for staff and volunteers through supervision, support and training.

The Federation will review this policy each year in November in line with Safe Network guidance or sooner in light of any changes in legislation or guidance. All changes will be communicated to our member Festivals in time for the start of the new Festival year.

SQTEX Safe Activities For Everyone

#### **Creating Safer Festivals for Everyone**

The Federation and its member Festivals use the following policies and procedures to create **Safer Festivals** for everyone:

- 1. A single, definitive Child Protection Policy adopted by all Federation Festivals.
- One or more designated Festival Safeguarding Officers (FSO) appointed for each Federation Festival. Name: Alvine Holmes Phone: 07392 390379.
- Best practice advice in the form of Safe Working Practice and Festival Child Protection leaflets, with support and training for all Festival staff and volunteers. Including clear reporting procedures for anyone with a concern about a child
- 4. Appropriate recruitment and induction procedures for all new Festival staff and volunteers responsible for providing safe environments for everyone attending / performing at a Federation Festival.
- 5. All Festival personnel wear a large distinctive Festival badge and may be approached with any problem. All teachers/parents/guardians/carers are asked to report all incidents of any nature to anyone wearing a badge. All reported incidents will be handled in accordance with the Safe Working Practice and Festival Child Protection best practice advice. In addition we will ensure the availability of a quiet area / room where concerns can be expressed in private.
- 6. For the duration of a Festival all teachers/parents/guardians/carers are responsible for the continuous care and supervision of their own children/pupils. If they are unable to attend personally, they must delegate their responsibilities to an identified adult and ensure that their children/pupils are aware of the identity and name of the person responsible for their care. This includes supervision throughout all Festival venues, practice and changing rooms that may be provided. The Festival cannot take responsibility for any property left unattended.
- 7. No unauthorised photography, audio or video recording of children and young people is allowed in the performance areas at our Festivals. Where parents/guardians/carers do not wish photos to be taken at all, then the responsible adult attending should ensure that their child is not included in official photos.
- 8. Some children and vulnerable adults may have specific needs in order to take part. If this is the case we ask the responsible teachers/parents/guardians/carers to contact the Festival organisers prior to arrival. The Festival actively seeks wherever possible to meet these needs, but must know beforehand in order to prepare support or to advise that help cannot be provided on this occasion.
- 9. The Festival's Child Protection Policy and approach to Creating Safer Festivals for Everyone is published explicitly in our Syllabus, Programme and on our website. By completing and signing the entry form all parents / guardians / carers and teachers of competitors under 18 (or vulnerable adults of any age) confirm that they give (or have obtained) the necessary consents for the competitors to take part in the Festival. Without consent the entry to the Festival cannot be accepted.

## Please submit entries by our closing date Sunday 1st October 2023