

Events in The Space are not included in weekend passes.

Events in The Space and Free Concerts in the Café

Friday April 22 Free concert in the Café 6.30pm

The early evening Café Concerts will feature non-classical piano music such as jazz, blues and boogie woogie. Details of the performances will be posted on the Festival website in March.

Saturday April 23 Benjamin Frith: Masterclass The Space 9.30am £6

Benjamin Frith holds posts at RNCM, RWCMD and Chetham's, where he prepares young pianists for chamber ensemble work. As a member of the Gould Piano Trio he received a Fellowship for his collaboration with students at the RWCMD Chamber Music Festival. In this entertaining and informative masterclass he will be working with members of The Piano Club.

Young Brilliance: Part 1 The Space 2.30pm £8/£6

Three students from Chetham's School of Music, each with a 20-minute programme of superb piano music. The programmes will be posted on the Festival website.

Leo Bailey-Yang (aged 8), Eva Gu (17), James Ellis (18)

Free concert in the Café 6.30pm

The Speakeasy

Ragtime and early jazz and blues from pianists based in Lancashire and Yorkshire.

Sunday April 24 Young Brilliance: Part 2 The Space 2.30 pm £8/£6

Three students from Chetham's School of Music, each with a 20-minute programme of superb piano music. The programmes will be posted on the Festival website.

Jackie Campbell (aged 15), Jasmin Allpress (17), Callum McLachlan (17)

Free concert in the Café 6.30pm (see Friday)

Suitable for all ages

For further information visit
hebdenbridgepianofestival.com

Welcome to Hebden Bridge Piano Festival 2016

Here we are approaching the 4th Hebden Bridge Piano Festival, unimaginable when we were planning the first one back in 2013. I am overjoyed with how successful and popular our unique celebration of the piano has become in such a short time. The Festival has now become a substantial presence on the UK classical music scene with yet more performers looking for engagements here. We have also forged exciting new partnerships with Chetham's School of Music in Manchester and Leeds International Piano Competition.

We're confident that the Festival will once again turn out to be a memorable weekend packed with stimulating and beautiful music performed by some of the best musicians in the world. This year there's a strong international flavour with many performers from outside the UK including Anna Tsybuleva, winner of the 2015 Leeds International Piano Competition.

We couldn't do this without the help of our Board members, stewards and other volunteers, and heartfelt thanks go to them for all their hard work. Thanks also to our funders and sponsors for helping us keep our ticket prices considerably below what you'd expect to pay in larger venues. And of course I would like to thank you, our audience, for continuing to support us in the best way possible.

We hope you have an enjoyable and unforgettable Festival!

David Nelson
Festival Director



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piano festival

Friday April 22 to
Sunday April 24 2016



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Anna Tsybuleva

Alicja Fiderkiewicz

Jason Rebello

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Sofia Matsagou

Will Pickvance

Recitals, masterclass
children's concert, free events

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Weekend Waterfront Hall tickets available.



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Waterfront Hall weekend pass £100/£85

Friday April 22

Children's Concert: Anatomy of the Piano (For Beginners)

Suitable for children aged 4 to 14 and their families

Waterfront Hall 5pm

£10/£8/£3 (18 and under)

(not included in weekend pass)



Will Pickvance asks Father Christmas for a spaceship - he gets a piano! An adventure into the world of pianos - where they come from, how they evolved and why they make a pretty cool Christmas present. Featuring Bach's cave piano, Beethoven's bad moods and a jam with 'Fats' Waller, the show includes whirlwind piano playing, songs, stories and hand-drawn projections.

'Pickvance's boyish passion is infectious, his playing exemplary. Children will be spellbound and inspired as well' Fest 2015

'I liked how he did all the music by himself and how he told us all about it. There were funny bits and I liked the drawings and seeing inside the piano' Reviewer Aged 7, Primary Times

Benjamin Frith

Waterfront Hall 8pm £18/£14

Winner of the Arthur Rubinstein and the Busoni International Piano Competitions, Benjamin Frith enjoys a distinguished, worldwide career. As concerto soloist and recitalist he has performed in many of the world's most prestigious halls and with most leading orchestras including the Warsaw Philharmonic, Berlin Symphony and the Royal Philharmonic. For this recital he will perform sonatas by MacMillan Liszt and Schubert.



'...a formidable talent...' Gramophone Magazine

'...a compelling advocate of the piano...' BBC Music Magazine

Saturday April 23

Will Pickvance: Alchemy of the Piano

Waterfront Hall 11am £10/£8

Taking inspiration from Bach to Radiohead and all points between, pianist and raconteur Will Pickvance extracts songs, alters rhythms and corrupts melodies to tell the story of his relationship with the piano. More of a grown-up show than Anatomy of the Piano, this was a sell-out success at the 2015 Edinburgh Fringe.

'Clever, poetic, his piano playing exudes an effortless, almost careless expertise' The Herald

'Very funny, this man is the Will Pickvance of his generation' Dylan Moran



Waterfront Hall weekend pass £100/£85

Yuanfan Yang

Waterfront Hall 1pm £12/£10

This former student of Murray McLachlan at Chetham's School of Music has gone from strength to strength, winning the 2015 Cleveland Young Artist Competition and the Weimar Liszt Piano Competition, becoming a category winner of the BBC Young Musician in 2012 and reaching the final stages of the Leeds Piano Competition in 2015. Programme to include works by Brahms, Liszt and compositions by the performer himself.

'A giant of the keyboard' John Amis, Musical Opinion



Alicja Fiderkiewicz

Waterfront Hall 4pm £18/£14

All-Polish recital featuring works by Chopin, Paderewski, Bacewicz and Szymanowski. Alicja Fiderkiewicz studied in Warsaw and Moscow and won major competitions including the Dudley International before embarking on an illustrious career, performing in the USA, Russia, Japan and throughout Europe. She has appeared with major orchestras, given recitals for BBC2 and Radio 3 and recorded four highly acclaimed CDs.

'[she]...demonstrated the truth of the great Rubinstein's saying - that "only Poles can play Chopin properly"' Daily Telegraph



Anna Tsybuleva

Waterfront Hall 8pm £18/£14

Anna Tsybuleva was the runaway winner of the 2015 Leeds International Piano Competition, one of the most prestigious piano competitions in the world. We're privileged to welcome her to Hebden Bridge where she presents an exciting and imaginative programme of Fantasies and Rhapsodies by Beethoven, Brahms, Schubert and Liszt.

'Once again The Leeds has found a truly exciting winner from some very talented finalists' Sir Mark Elder



Waterfront Hall weekend pass £100/£85

Sunday April 24

Coffee Contemporary

Waterfront Hall 10am £10/£8/£5

(price includes refreshments)



Coffee and croissants are on the menu when Festival Director David Nelson presents a programme of short pieces from across the contemporary repertoire, performed by members of The Piano Club, based at Square Chapel in Halifax.

Sofia Matsagou

Waterfront Hall 1pm £12/£10

Sofia Matsagou studied at the Hellenic Conservatory of Athens and at the Schola Cantorum in Paris and went on to win prizes at several international piano competitions. She has performed extensively in Greece and also in Belgium, Paris, Italy and Russia. This recital of works by Scarlatti, Rameau, Bach/Busoni, Chopin and Debussy is her UK debut.



Jason Rebello

Waterfront Hall 4pm £18/£14

Classically trained jazz pianist and composer Jason Rebello was a forerunner of the modern jazz resurgence, producing five acclaimed albums and touring extensively in the UK and internationally, before joining Sting's band in 1998. Since then, his dazzling technique, musical diversity and easy adaptability have enabled him to work with artists such as Peter Gabriel, Phil Collins, Pee Wee Ellis, Joss Stone and Manu Katché as well as with many of the UK's biggest names in jazz.

'Jason is probably the finest young jazz musician this country has produced' Stuart Nicholson, author Jazz: The Modern Resurgence



Mishka Rushdie Momen

Waterfront Hall 8pm £18/£14

Mishka Momen was the 1st Prize Winner of the Dudley International Piano Competition 2014 and has been selected by Sir András Schiff to participate in his 'Building Bridges Series 2016/17', offering concerts in Germany, Switzerland, Belgium and New York. She will also be taking part in the Marlboro Festival in Vermont USA this summer. Her recital contrasts the classicism of Beethoven and Schubert with the 20th century eclecticism of Janáček and Ligeti.

'...it is the purity and depth of her musical feeling that impress me most. [She] has the rare ability to communicate the essential meaning of whatever she plays' Richard Goode

