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# What's on for schools?

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# Introduction

The 2021 - 2022 academic year has seen the doors of Snape Maltings and The Red House opened wide, and we have been thrilled to fill our sites with young people once again. Britten Pears Arts continues to bring together music, art, and heritage to enrich the brilliant work taking place in schools and help teachers deliver the best outcomes for their young people.

Over the next academic year, we focus on a theme of identity, empowering young people to have a voice in the arts and supporting teachers to collaborate with them in all aspects of the music curriculum.

We continue to champion the arts and creativity as ways of supporting learning and increasing wellbeing. We hope that your school will join us by taking advantage of our visits, projects, performances and out of school opportunities.

Please do get in touch with us about anything you see enclosed, or more. If you'd like to keep up to date with our latest offers, visit our website and join our schools mailing list at [brittenpearsarts.org/take-part/schools](https://brittenpearsarts.org/take-part/schools)

We wish all teachers and students a successful and enjoyable year in 2022 - 2023.





# School sessions & Visits

The Red House and Snape Maltings are both unique resources for schools, with an award-winning offer for families, children and young people. We understand the importance of learning outside of the classroom and have a number of Key Stage 1 - 3 education sessions for your class, linking music to all areas of the National Curriculum, helping to spark children's imagination and creativity.

All sessions run from approximately 10am - 2.30pm and are led by skilled education staff and are designed to allow children to engage with the site and its collections while working together as a team.

**Fee: £2.50 per child, adults free**

## KS3 & KS4

We welcome visits and tours from older students. Please contact us with any visit requirements and we will be happy to develop a unique visit, tailored just for you.

**Book your visit now!**

## Sessions at Snape Maltings

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### Snape's Victorian Past

Students will explore this beautiful site and discover its fascinating history, through exploring primary and secondary evidence. Pupils will learn about people linked to the site including the pioneering Elizabeth Garret Anderson and the range of people who have worked at The Maltings throughout its history.

Links: History KS1 & KS2, Music KS1 & KS2, English

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### Fire

In 1969 a ferocious fire destroyed Britten's concert hall at Snape Maltings. The class will explore archive evidence and be tasked to plan and design its replacement.

Links: History KS1 & KS2, Music KS1 & KS2, Mathematics, Art & Design, Science.

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## Sessions at The Red House

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### Create an Opera in a Day

Students take on the role of musicians, designers, authors and performers as they learn about Britten and one of his best loved operas and develop and perform one of their own.

Links: History KS1 & KS2, Music KS1 & KS2, English, Art & Design

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### Murder in the Orchestra

Students become history detectives for the day as they use their literacy, historical, problem solving and exploration skills to crack a special case.

Links: History KS1 & KS2, Music KS1 & KS2, Mathematics, Art & Design, Literacy

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### Musical Minibeasts

Students will hunt for minibeasts in the beautiful garden, explore Britten's Studio and Library and compose their own piece of music inspired by the nature they have discovered.

Links: Science KS1 & KS2, History KS1 & KS2, Music KS1 & KS2, Literacy.

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### The Science of Sound

This exciting, practical session explores the science behind sound and music, with students completing numerous experiments and demonstrations throughout the day.

Links: Science KS1 & KS2, Music KS1 & KS2

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### Music Through Time (Three sessions available)

1. Anglo-Saxon & Viking: This unique day will explore the importance of music, art and storytelling at this time and how music as used to unite, inspire and communicate.
2. The Stone Age: This daylong session will offer the chance to handle genuine Stone Age artefacts, learn about Stone Age Life and explore the numerous ways in which music was made.
3. Romans: Explore what life was like in Roman Britain and how music was such an important part of Roman society.

Links: History KS1 & KS2, English KS1 & KS2, Music KS1 & KS2

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## NEW FOR 2022-23

### Britten and Disney

Benjamin Britten was a huge fan of Disney! Learn about his favourite Disney productions through collection handling and visits to the house and gardens. As 'Disney musicians' for the day, students create music and sound effects using looping technology.

Links: History KS1 & KS2, Music KS1 & KS2, Literacy.

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### Musical Maths

Counting, rhythm, scales, notations and sounds are all connected to mathematics. This exciting new session, developed with mathematics advisors, will strengthen mathematical and musical skills, exploring links between the two, and showing how maths is used to create the music we enjoy.

Links: Maths KS1 & KS2 & KS3, History KS1 & KS2, Music KS1 & KS2, Literacy.

### Autism and Nature - sessions for SEND Learners

Working with the charity Autism and Nature we have developed interactive and multisensory school sessions at The Red House which are primarily for SEND learners.

These sessions all explore Benjamin Britten and music through participatory activities, designed to maintain interest and engagement. Sessions include:

- An introduction to Benjamin Britten and his music
- Britten and Music Through Time
- Music and Nature

"It gave us a brilliant introduction to Benjamin Britten and a link to Anglo Saxon music. The students were definitely motivated to explore more about Benjamin Britten the person and his music, on their return to school"

- Class Teacher

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### Britten's Childhood

Students will handle and examine real artefacts and toys from when Britten was a child, explore poetry that inspired him, and then work together to develop their own performance.

Links: History KS1 & KS2, Music KS1 & KS2, English KS1 & KS2

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## KS4 - KS5

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### Articulation Discovery Days

Articulation Discovery Days are free workshops for KS5 students to help develop their critical analysis, research and public speaking skills.

During this workshop students will:

- Explore art works at The Red House or Snape Maltings through personal observation, discussion and primary research
  - Be encouraged to think independently, analyse information, and ask informed questions
  - Learn how to conquer nerves, physically prepare, and successfully deliver a presentation to large audiences
  - Meet with and interview art world professionals.
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Articulation Discovery Day at  
The Red House  
**18 October – 10am – 3.30pm**

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Articulation Discovery Day at  
Snape Maltings  
**19 October – 10am – 3.30pm**

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### Careers in the Arts Day

Friday 3 February 2023

Students in KS4 and KS5 are invited to join us at Snape Maltings for a day of talks and practical sessions from industry professionals in the arts. This will be focussed on careers in the arts that don't involve performing, including production, design, fundraising and more. Students will have a choice of breakout workshops to attend across a variety of sectors, as well as the chance to take part in a Q&A session.

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# CPD for teachers

This academic year we are offering a programme of CPD sessions on Wednesdays 4.30pm - 6pm at Snape Maltings. Sessions are also available to access virtually if you cannot join in person.

**Book online now**

**In person: £15 per session /**

**5 sessions for £60**

**Online: £10 per session /**

**5 sessions for £40**

## **Wednesday 12 October**

Reimagining primary percussion  
KS1 & KS2

## **Wednesday 18 January**

Rehearsal leading, conducting  
skills and musical motivation  
KS1, KS2 & KS3

## **Wednesday 22 March**

Music making with SEND students  
KS1, KS2 & KS3

## **Wednesday 10 May**

Introducing students to the  
orchestra  
KS2 & KS3

## **Wednesday 28 June**

Confident choir leading and  
classroom singing  
KS1, KS2 & KS3

Bespoke training sessions are  
available for KS4 and KS5, please  
contact us if you would like to  
discuss possibilities further.



# The Big Sing

## Take part online

### Friday 18 November 2022

The Big Sing is an event for schools in Suffolk, to give young people the opportunity to sing together in Snape Maltings Concert Hall as part of a massed choir.

Due to overwhelming demand to take part in this year's event, we are live streaming the event so that schools can sing along from their halls – and there's still time for you to join in.

The Big Sing will be held on Friday 18 November 2022 and will be led by choral leaders Ula Weber and Nicholas Chalmers. Children will sing a collection of songs from the Friday Afternoons Song Bank, including some of the newest set by Joanna Lee with words by Andy Shepherd, author of *The Boy Who Grew Dragons*.

**Sign up now**



# The Power of Stories

Britten Pears Arts hosts the final run of the touring exhibition around Suffolk featuring original costumes from Marvel's blockbuster film Black Panther. The exhibition will be displayed in the expansive concert hall foyer and will feature stories gathered from Benjamin Britten and Peter Pears' archive and contributions from our community. This exhibition is in collaboration with Marvel Studios, Aspire Black Suffolk, and Association of Suffolk Museums.

## Percussion Workshops

Free workshop for up to 30 KS2 students at Snape Maltings in collaboration with Wooden Roots, including a visit to the Power of Stories Exhibition.

### Friday 4 November

9.30am – 10.15am, 10.30am –  
11.15am, 11.30am – 12.15pm,  
1.15pm – 2pm

## KS1 & 2 Art workshop

Free art workshop suitable for KS1 & KS2. Children will have the opportunity to explore the Power of Stories exhibition, and participate in an engaging artistic workshop that explores costume from film as well as Benjamin Britten's operas.

**Monday 31 October** 10.30am - 12pm

**Tuesday 1 November** 10.30am - 12pm

**To book on to a workshop email  
[community@brittenpearsarts.org](mailto:community@brittenpearsarts.org)**



# The Nutcracker and I

A pianist, a ballerina, and a magical digital world on screen. This is Tchaikovsky's ballet The Nutcracker for the 21st century, using astonishing, state-of-the-art animation and effects to retell this seasonal classic like it's never been told before, creating a fantastical world so real that you might even start to believe in sugarplum fairies! A visual and musical treat for all ages.

The Nutcracker and I, by Alexandra Dariescu is a ground-breaking multimedia performance for piano solo with dance and digital animation, which Dariescu created and produced out of a personal responsibility to engage younger audiences and welcome in everyone – including those who might be new to classical music.

KS2 Performance:

**Thursday 15 December 10.30am**  
(maximum of 50 tickets per school)

KS1 Performance:

**Friday 16 December 10.30am**  
(maximum of 40 tickets per school)

**Tickets: £6 per students**  
**Book online now.**





# Celebration

## Perform on the Snape Maltings Stage

Our annual festival for schools and young people's community music groups across Suffolk.

Bring the imagination and creativity of the young people you work with and take centre-stage to perform on one of our Celebration dates, in the world-famous Snape Maltings Concert Hall.

Groups are selected for each evening's programme to include children of all ages and stages of learning. All genres, styles, and traditions of music are welcome, including your own compositions. As well as your own performance, all groups join together to perform a finale piece as part of a massed choir.

Concerts are presented by Lucy Drever and Rob Gildon, as well as star of BBC Radio Suffolk Angelle Joseph. This year's finale composer is award-winning composer, orchestrator and saxophonist Charlotte Harding.

The project also includes pre-performance opportunities for young people and a CPD session for teachers.

**Apply now.**



# Aldeburgh Festival

**Friday 9 – Sunday 25 June 2023**

The 2023 Festival will offer a wide range of events from the familiar to the less familiar, opera, world premieres, artists in residence, leading performers, orchestras and ensembles alongside rising stars, talks, films and more - all taking place at venues across the Suffolk coast with Snape Maltings at the centre.

Next year's Festival will include participatory events for schools, as well as discounted tickets available for performances. More information will be available when the Festival programme is released later in the year.









## Group A

Working with 8-18-year-olds in Suffolk, Group A consists of vocal performance groups that rehearse and perform throughout the year. Regular sessions take part in Ipswich, Lowestoft and Leiston (and the surrounding area), and new members are always welcome.

The project gives young people opportunities to work with a wide variety of professional musicians and artists, explore a breadth of musical genres and take part in exciting and creative performances, locally and nationally. The work aims to help build positive community links and raise aspirations for young people.

We are also able to offer in-school vocal workshops and assemblies as part of Group A for schools based in Ipswich, Lowestoft, Leiston and the surrounding areas to give your pupils a taste of Group A and how they can get involved.

**Visit the website to sign up now**



# Aldeburgh Young Musicians

Part of the national network of Centres for Advanced Training, Aldeburgh Young Musicians is an artist development programme for young musicians aged 10-18. The programme explores a diverse range of musical styles and approaches, through immersive residential courses and additional activities during weekends and school holidays.

All activity is led by accomplished professional musicians, who help the young people to develop their musical skills in a collaborative environment.

AYM welcomes applications from any young musician aged 10-17. Entry to the programme is by audition which will take place during April-May. Applicants do not need to have taken a specific exam to apply, but should be at approximately grade 5 level.

**For more information on the programme and details of our taster days, visit [brittenpearsarts.org/aym](https://brittenpearsarts.org/aym)**



# Mini Music Makers

Mini Music Makers is a Friday morning session of fun music and play activities for 0-5-year-olds that usually takes place at The Red House, Aldeburgh. These sessions, which include singing and creative play, are great for the little ones to learn social skills, turn-taking, sharing and following instructions.

**These free sessions take place on Fridays from 10am - 11.30am**

**Contact us to take part.**





# Music Makers

Join us at Snape Maltings for free afternoons of music making during school holidays, exploring musical styles from jazz fusion to orchestral music. Sessions are for children aged 5-7 and 8-11, and no musical experience is required. If you play an instrument then bring it along, but we'll provide plenty to try out and enjoy. Children will have fun with warm ups and musical games, and create their own piece of music together with a visiting music artist.

5-7 years: 2pm – 3pm

8-11 years: 3.30pm – 5pm

**Wednesday 26 October,  
15 February, 12 April, 31 May,  
26 July and 2 August**

**Book online now.**



## Work Experience and Volunteering

### Work Experience

Britten Pears Arts and Snape Maltings Trading Limited can, between them, offer a wide range of work experience opportunities for students. Our current work experience offer includes short placements, 1 to 2 weeks, with our retail, catering, backstage and community teams. We aim to offer meaningful placements which give students the chance to meet a range of people and learn new skills. We have been delighted that we have been able to employ a number of people who first connected with us as part of a work experience programme.

**For more information about work experience, please email [careers@brittenpearsarts.org](mailto:careers@brittenpearsarts.org)**

### Volunteering

Britten Pears Arts is launching a new Family Volunteer role, which enables 14-18-year-olds to volunteer at our events with an adult family member. Within this role, the young volunteer and their family member will help at events such as performances in the Concert Hall or Dome Stage. This role will potentially expand over the year to include volunteering opportunities in the Archive and garden at The Red House.

**For more information about the Family Volunteer role, please email [volunteer@brittenpearsarts.org](mailto:volunteer@brittenpearsarts.org)**





# Year round resources

## Friday Afternoons

Friday Afternoons is a Britten Pears Arts led singing project connecting teachers and young people with contemporary composers, through creating high quality repertoire, resources and training to encourage challenging and exciting music making experiences for all.

Alongside free downloadable resources including an extensive Song Bank of new repertoire, sheet music, backing tracks and learning tracks, Friday Afternoons has a bespoke composition project aimed at KS2 called Project One Dot.

**To get your resources visit**  
**[fridayafternoonsmusic.co.uk](http://fridayafternoonsmusic.co.uk)**

## Artsmark

Artsmark is the creative quality standard for schools and education settings, accredited by Arts Council England, supporting their commitment to high quality arts and cultural education.

Britten Pears Arts is an Artsmark partner, proudly supporting schools and education settings on their Artsmark journey. We offer education settings who are working towards, or currently hold an Artsmark Award, with the following opportunities:

### **Our Artsmark offer includes the following:**

- Whole day schools sessions, or teacher led visits to our sites
- Projects such as those included in this booklet
- In-school workshops
- CPD opportunities
- Online resources, such as Friday Afternoons
- Opportunity to develop longer term partnerships

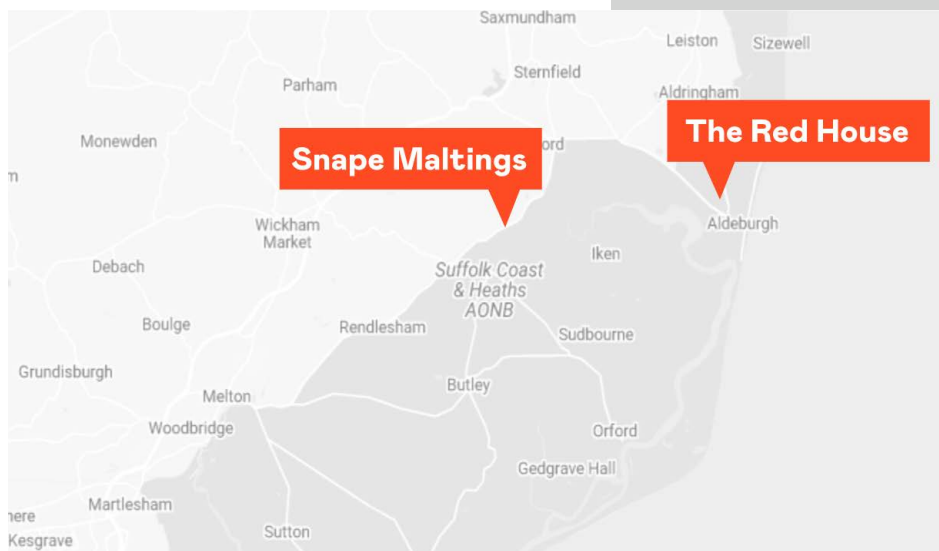
**Find out more about Artsmark at [artsmark.org.uk](https://artsmark.org.uk)**

## Children's University Provider

We are delighted to be a Learning Destination for Suffolk Children's University. Children's University is a charity that works in partnership with schools to develop a love of learning in children. This is done by encouraging and celebrating participation in extra-curricular activities in and outside of school.







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## Access

We aim to make our sites and projects accessible for all. If you would like to discuss any access needs before visiting us, please do get in touch. For further information on access, please see our website

**brittenpearsarts.org/visit-us/access**

We also have visual stories available for both Snape Maltings and The Red House. If you would like these to be sent to you, please get in touch.

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