



# Sussex Summer School

Patron: Barbara Fewster OBE



## International Dance Workshop

### **Residential**

Sun 24 Jul - Sat 31 Jul

Sun 1 Aug - Sat 7 Aug

### **Day and Day Plus**

Mon 25 Jul - Sat 31 Jul

Mon 2 Aug - Sat 7 Aug

# About Sussex Summer School

With over 27 years experience Sussex Summer School is one of the highest calibre international dance workshops in the South East of England.

Established in 1982, Sussex Summer School offers a range of classes including ballet, musical theatre, modern, contemporary, singing and drama taught by an expert team of teachers.

Held in the beautiful grounds of Michael Hall School, East Sussex, with outstanding facilities including a fully equipped modern theatre, Sussex Summer School is the perfect way for students to enjoy one or two weeks dance and experience.

Gatwick Airport is less than 15 miles away and with a collection/return facility available we can easily accommodate overseas students. Over the past 27 years we have welcomed students from the North America, East Asia, Europe and the Middle East.

Numbers are limited; *especially for residential places*; so an early application is recommended to avoid disappointment. I have tried to include as much information in this brochure. If you would like any further information please contact me directly.

My team and I look forward to welcoming new students and to those familiar faces returning it will be lovely to see you again.

Kind regards

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## Venue

Michael Hall School, Kidbrook Park, Priory Road, Forest Row, East Sussex RH18 5JB. The school is set in extensive yet secluded grounds. CCTV is in operation at all times.

Please use this address for any correspondence during the workshop. Letters/parcels should be marked clearly with the students name and FAO Sussex Summer School.

## Minimum Ballet Grades and Ages

Ballet is the foundation of the workshop. Technical classes are given on Monday and Tuesdays. On Wednesday and Thursdays part of the class may be given over to work on the demonstration pieces.

Day & Day Plus	6 years	Minimum Grade I
Residential	9 years	Minimum Grade III

The upper age limit is 18 years old.

## Dates

Residential Students	Day and Day Plus Students
Mon 26 Jul - Sat 31 Jul	Sun 25 Jul - Sat 31 Jul
Mon 3 Aug - Sat 7 Aug	Sun 2 Aug - Sat 7 Aug

The workshop concludes at approximately 13:00 following the demonstration and prize giving. Overseas students should ensure they allow sufficient time to get to the airport and check-in for their return flight. We recommend return flights are not booked to depart before 15:30 from Gatwick and 18:00 from Heathrow.

## Fees

A non-refundable deposit of £80.00 per week is required for every student. A fully completed application form must accompany the deposit. Full payment is required on or before 16 Jun 2010. Fees may be paid in monthly installments please call for full details.

Day: £225.00 per week

Inclusive of tuition, lunch and refreshments, SSS T-shirt and name badge. Breakfast is not provided for day students.

Day Plus: £260.00 per week

Inclusive of tuition, lunch and refreshments, SSS T-shirt and name badge, evening meal and evening entertainment. Breakfast is not provided for day plus students.

Residential: £365.00 per week

Inclusive of tuition, boarding accommodation, all meals and refreshments, SSS T-shirt and name badge and evening entertainment.

No fees or deposits are returnable for failing to take up the place at the appointed time or failing to complete the workshop booked.

## **Meals and dining facilities**

All food is cooked on the premises, providing proper nourishment for active dancers.

Lunch is a salad bar, selection of cold meats, followed by yoghurts and fresh fruit. Drinks and biscuits are provided at break times. There is a choice of hot evening meals for Residential and Day Plus students. Please advise any dietary, allergies or medical requirements prior to the workshop.

## **The Demonstration, Prizes, Certificates and Scholarships**

On Saturday students have the opportunity to demonstrate their work to their families and friends. The demonstration takes place in the theatre and starts at 11:00 promptly and finishing at approximately 13:00.

Please note no form of photography or recording is permitted during the demonstration and your co-operation would be appreciated.

1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes per group are awarded calculated on a 'point' system based on the assessment of all the teachers and across all the styles of dance during the week. There is also a Musicality prize chosen by the pianists, Patrons prize donated by Miss Barbara Fewster OBE, Drama prize and Singing prize. All students receive a Certificate of Attendance.

## **Scholarships**

The Sussex Summer School Scholarship is awarded to the student who receives the most points from the teaching faculty during the week.

The Pete Dettmer Memorial Scholarship for contemporary is chosen by Mr. Bill.

Recipients of the scholarships receive one-week complimentary residential tuition or two-weeks day tuition at next year's workshop. Scholarships cannot be carried over.

## **Residential accommodation**

Following the enormous success of previous years, the sleeping accommodation is pre-allocated mattresses with screened sections in the gym. There are adequate washing facilities (communal showers) and toilets. Space for suitcases is limited and large suitcases are stored in a nearby lockable classroom.

A small cabin baggage size suitcase or holdall is permitted in the gym.

If you would like to be with someone in particular please advise on the application form and we will do our best to accommodate your request.

Every Sunday evening a fire drill is performed.

## **Bed linen**

UK students are required to bring their own duvet & duvet cover or sleeping bag, pillow, pillowcase and bottom sheet. Bed linen will be provided for overseas students.

## **Towels**

All students are required to bring adequate towels. A swimming costume is also recommended.

## **Laundry facilities**

A daily washing for dancewear only is available. It is advisable to have more than one outfit for each class and several pairs of tights. For students attending both weeks there is a limited washing service provided for underwear and dance wear only

## **Airport collection and return**

We offer a collection and return facility from Gatwick and Heathrow airport for an additional cost and subject to all details advised to Sussex Summer School by 1st July 2010. Overseas students should ensure they allow sufficient time to get to the airport and check-in for their return flights. We recommend return flights are not booked to depart before 15:30 from Gatwick and 18:00 from Heathrow.

Please ensure all flight details are included on the application form especially if your child is travelling as an unaccompanied minor and the airline require a signature.

Return prices per person payable in advance of the workshop: Gatwick £10.00, Heathrow £25.00.

## **Theatre trip and stopover**

Residential students attending both weeks of the workshop are chaperoned to London in an air-conditioned coach with seatbelts, to see a theatre show on Sat 31 Jul. The cost of the ticket is the current selling price and any applicable booking fees levied by the ticket agency. Please note there is no stopover facility on Sat 7 Aug.

Stopover fee (not including the price of the theatre ticket) £35.00. Coach fee £15.00

## **Medical requirements and allergies**

A matron and adult supervisors are in attendance at all times. All prescribed medication is to be given to the matron on arrival, who will then supervise and administer the required dosages. All students are required to complete the Health Declaration Section on the application form prior to the workshop.

## **Evening entertainment for residential and day plus students**

Every evening after dinner we provide supervised activities for residential and day plus students. Previous years have included Mexican dancing, mini-Olympics, bingo, bags of fun, mask and fan painting. For security reasons attendance is compulsory to these activities. On Thursday evenings the students entertain the staff and teachers at the very popular Entertainment Evening held in the theatre. Remember to bring any music, props or costumes you might like to use.

## **End of workshop BBQ**

On Friday evening there is a BBQ followed by a Disco for all students. Day students are welcome to attend and should be collected no later than 22:00.

## **Photograph & DVD**

On Monday afternoon a photograph of the entire Sussex Summer School is taken. Photographs are available for collection on Saturday prior to the demonstration. These must be pre-ordered and paid for at the time of check-in for the workshop.

All aspects of the workshop are filmed including the demonstration and prize giving.

The DVD can be ordered at check-in, during the workshop or before the demonstration. They are sent by post approximately 3 weeks after the end of the 2nd week of the workshop. No money should be sent in advance for these items.

## **Registration and Welcome Meeting**

All students are required to check-in at the start of the workshop and attend a Welcome Meeting at 9:00 on Monday in the mansion.

### **Check-in Time**

Residential students

From 14:30 to 16:00 on Sun 25 Jul and/or Sun 1 Aug.

Day & Day Plus students

From 8:45 on Mon 26 Jul and/or Mon 2 Aug.

### **Day and Day Plus Signing In/Out Policy**

Safety of the students is paramount to Sussex Summer School. A chaperone is in attendance at all times to escort the younger students to lessons, oversee breaks and mealtimes etc. ALL Day and Day Plus students must sign in and out every day.

### **Collection Time**

Day students

Not later than 17:00 from the front of mansion (Mon-Thurs). Not later than 22:00 on Friday

Day Plus students

Not later than 20:45 from the canteen (Mon-Thurs)

Not later than 22:00 on Friday.

### **Mobile Phone Policy**

Ideally we would prefer no mobile phones or electrical items are brought to the workshop. However we appreciate that inevitably some students will wish to bring them. If this is the case please ensure it is clearly marked with your name and you observe our usage policy as listed below:

Day Usage: Between 7am and 9am. After 9am all mobiles should be placed in the dedicated box provided.

Evening Usage: Between 5pm to 9pm. After 9pm all mobiles should be placed in the dedicated box provided.

### **Contact numbers during the workshop**

If for any reason a student is unable to attend, is leaving earlier than expected, you wish to visit your child whilst they are a student or discuss any element of the workshop please use any of the following numbers:

07889 958 165 Christine Dettmer

07798 691 456 Tracy Dettmer

07889 126 714 Trevor Trench

## Teaching faculty

### Ballet

Patricia Prime Chairman of the Imperial Classic Faculty  
Member of the Theatre Faculties Board  
June Campbell-Mitchell MA B.Phil (Hons) LRAD, FRAD MA, ARAD,  
LISTD Dual Examiner of RAD  
Alexandra Barnes MA, ARAD, FISTD, CDE Major Examiner  
Rosemary Woodd ARAD, FISTD  
Jolene Kiddle AISTD, IDTA

### Drama

Judith Palmer LISTD (Dip)

### Contemporary (from Grade 5)

Bill Spencer (Mr Bill) USA

### Singing

Hannah Freen B/Mus Perf (Hons) PGCE ALCM

### Musical Theatre

Paul Madden ARAD

### Modern

Amanda Butcher AISTD

### Pianists

Patricia Lineham, Brian Broadhead and Paul Mathews

## Dancewear requirements All items must be clearly marked

### Ballet

Girls - 2 or more pairs of tights, 1 of which should be pink, 2 or more leotards 1 of which should be black, pink ballet shoes and pointe shoes - if applicable. Hair must be neatly groomed i.e. in a bun.

Boys - white leotard, black tights, white socks, black or white ballet shoes.

### Modern/Jazz/Musical Theatre

Any leotard or all in one, jazz shoes or bare feet. Hair - must be tied back to avoid flicking in other students' faces.

Contemporary (From Grade 5) Any black leotard or all-in-one or shorts. Hair - must be tied back to avoid flicking in other students' faces

## Timetable

Mon-Thurs	Residential 9:00 start Fri & Sat	Day Plus 9:00 start Fri & Sat	Day 9:00 start Fri & Sat
8:00-9:00	Breakfast		
9:30-11:00	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons
11:00-11:30	Break	Break	Break
11:30-12:45	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons
12:45-14:15	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
14:15-15:30	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons
15:30-16:00	Break	Break	Break
16:00-17:00	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons
17:00	Break	Break	<b>CLOSE</b>
17:30-18:30	Dinner	Dinner	
18:45-20:45	Entertainment & Tuck	Entertainment & Tuck	
20:45		<b>CLOSE</b>	

Fridays schedule will be announced during the workshop.

## Terms and Conditions

1. The organiser Christine Dettmer reserves the right to change the workshop or teachers as necessary.
2. The organiser Christine Dettmer reserves the right not accept a student application.
3. All students are expected to comply with any rules or regulations deemed necessary by the organiser.
4. The organiser reserves the right to cancel an application unless the full fee is paid by the due date, namely 16 June 2010.
5. **No fees or deposits are returnable for failing to take up the place at the appointed time or failing to complete the workshop booked.**
6. All students are advised to take out some form of holiday cancellation insurance to cover themselves for inability to attend due to illness or other causes.
7. All students must obtain permission to attend Sussex Summer School from their own Dancing Teacher.
8. Medical insurance is advisable for overseas students.
9. Sussex Summer School is under no liability whatsoever in respect of personal injury or loss that may be sustained in connection with the workshop.
10. No student is allowed to leave the perimeter of Michael Hall School without the permission of a teacher.
11. If you wish to visit your child whilst they are a student on the workshop, for security reasons please call 07889 958 165 Christine Dettmer, 07798 691 456 Tracy Dettmer or 07889 126 714 Trevor Trench to arrange.
12. Students are expected to make their own beds, keep areas tidy and maintain reasonable quietness throughout the Centre.
13. No student is allowed to smoke.
14. No chewing gum is allowed.
15. All aspects of the workshop are filmed. If you do not wish your child to be filmed, please advise at check-in.
16. By signing the application form you hereby give consent for your child to be X-rayed if required.

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## Further information and booking

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