

CMA Friday Centre

Summer 2025



Rehearsals: 6pm - 8.30pm at Oasis Academy Shirley Park

April 25, May 2, 9, 16 (half term break for two weeks)

June 6, 13, 20, 27, July 4

Showcase rehearsal at Oasis: SATURDAY 28th June 9am to 3pm

Showcase rehearsal at Fairfield Halls: TUESDAY 1st July from 12pm

Showcase performance at Fairfield Halls: Tuesday 1st July, 7pm

End of term concert: Friday 4th July 8.15pm (rehearsals from 6pm)

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to CMA Friday Centre. The orchestras feature significantly in this year's Fairfield Halls Showcase concert. They will open the first half, performing two pieces with professional musicians from the London Mozart Players, and close the first half in a huge collaboration with LMP, Saturday orchestras and Friday orchestras combined. The last piece, Take Time, was commissioned for Showcase 2019 so some older members may remember it. It will be conducted once again by the composer, Jeff Moore. The second half will feature new works by students and mentors from the Multi-Story Orchestra, each inspired by the music of Samuel Coleridge Taylor as we mark his 150th anniversary this summer. CYW will open the second half, and all musicians will perform in our finale, a medley of songs from Wicked. All Friday centre players will be involved throughout the second half, whether they are part of Tuesday centre or CYW items on stage, or in the string orchestra that will accompany most items from the pit. With students involved in so many items, you will understand why they will be needed for long rehearsals on Saturday 28th June and Tuesday 1st July.

The end of term performance will be a more informal event and was a huge success last year, featuring a number of student-led items. This term groups from Tuesday centre will also perform in this concert so expect lots of variety!

Attendance

We understand that some clashes are unavoidable but please make every effort to attend all rehearsals. Rehearsals simply do not work if several students are away at once. Always let us know in advance if you cannot attend a rehearsal to assist with planning and staffing.

Medical and additional needs information

Please contact the office by phone or email if this information is not correct on your Speed Admin account.

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