

# GUITAR

Adjudicator: Gary Ryan

The British guitarist **Gary Ryan** has performed to international critical acclaim for over twenty years. He made his London recital debut for the Park Lane Group Young Artists Series on London's South Bank in 1994 and has since pursued a highly varied career as a performer, composer and teacher. Gary studied as a junior from the age of 8 at the Guildhall School of Music, later winning a scholarship to study at the Royal Academy of Music in 1987. In 1991 he graduated with first class honours and many awards including the Julian Bream Prize and the John Mundy String Prize. In 1996, at the age of 27, Ryan was then appointed as a Professor of Guitar at the Royal College of Music in London and currently combines his role there as Assistant Head of Strings with a varied international career as a performer, composer and adjudicator. He was made an Honorary Associate of the Royal Academy of Music in 1997. Gary Ryan is also well known for his guitar compositions which combine traditional classical techniques with a rich variety of musical influences and contemporary guitar styles, as in his solo piece *Benga Beat* which was premiered to great acclaim in 2011. In 2013 he became the first guitarist since John Williams in 1983 to be awarded a Fellowship of the Royal College of Music. In 2016 Gary Ryan was invited by John Williams to form *6 Hands*, a new collaborative guitar trio with the jazz guitarist John Etheridge which is currently touring the UK. It is a privilege to see Gary Ryan at Portsmouth Music Festival.

Head of Section: Arne Brattland

**The String Guitar Centre Trophy** will be presented to the best performer - Grade 1-2. (G14, G2, G3)

**The String Guitar Centre Trophy no.2** will be presented to the best duo Grade 3-8. (G15, G17, G18)

**The Clarendon Cup** will be presented to the best solo performer Grade 3-4. (G4)

**The Lewis Groth Ward-Saunders Cup** will be presented to the best solo performer Grade 5-6. (G5)

**The Vice Chairman's Guitar Cup** will be presented to the best performer over 18. (G6, G9, G10)

**The Victoria Cup** will be presented to the best performance of a piece by Gary Ryan. (G11)

**The Carlos Bonell Cup** will be presented to the best performer in the recital class. (G12)

**The Hago Cup** will be presented for the best performance in the ensemble classes. (G20, G25, 26)

## Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

Park Community School, Middle Park Way, Havant, PO9 4BU.

- 9:30 **Class G14** *Time limit 5 mins* **The String Guitar Centre Trophy (+G2, G3)**  
*Pupil and teacher duet classes - Grades 1-2*
- Class G2** *Time limit 2 mins*  
*Own choice solo - 18 years and under - Grade 1*
- Class G3** *Time limit 3 mins*  
*Own choice solo - 18 years and under - Grade 2*
- Class G15** *Time limit 5 mins* **The String Guitar Centre Trophy no.2 (+G17, G18)**  
*Pupil and teacher duet classes - Grades 3-4*
- Class G17** *Time limit 10 mins*  
*Pupil and teacher duet classes - Grades 7-8*
- Class G18** *Time limit 5 mins*  
*Duet under 16 years*
- Class G4** *Time limit 4 mins* **The Clarendon Cup**  
*Own choice solo - 18 years and under - Grades 3-4*
- 10:45 **Break**
- 11:00 **Class G5** *Time limit 5 mins* **The Lewis Groth Ward-Saunders Cup**  
*Own choice solo - 18 years and under - Grades 5-6*
- Class G6** *Time limit 8 mins* **The Vice Chairman's Guitar Cup (+G9, G10)**  
*Own choice solo - 18 years and under - Grades 7-8*
- Class G9** *Time limit 8 mins*  
*Own choice solo - 19 years and over - Grades 5-8*
- Class G10** *Time limit 12 mins*  
*Own choice solo - 19 years and over - Open*

**Class G11** Time limit 12 mins  
*Best performance of a piece by Gary Ryan - any age - Open*

**The Victoria Cup**

1:00

**Lunch**

**2:30 Class G12** Time limit 20 mins  
*Recital Class - Any age*

**The Carlos Bonell Cup**

**Class G20** Time limit 15 mins  
*Guitar and other instruments including voice (up to 8 players)*

**The Hago Cup (+G25, G26)**

**Class G25** Time limit 10 mins  
*Guitar ensemble under 15 years*

**Class G26** Time limit 15 mins  
*Guitar ensemble any age*

4:30

**End of Guitar Section**

A special opportunity exists from  
Portsmouth Festivities 2018

**A GUITAR MASTERCLASS given by Carlos Bonell**

Performers in the Masterclass will be selected from  
PMF entrants usually aged 19 years and under.

*The PMF and the Portsmouth Festivities reserve the right  
to make a final decision on the performers chosen.*