

GUITAR

Adjudicator: Carlos Bonell

Carlos Bonell has been described by the Classical Guitar Magazine, UK as "one of the great communicators of the guitar world". He has recorded more than twenty albums and played in forty countries, with concert appearances ranging from intimate recitals to concertos with symphony orchestras.

His latest album *Magical Mystery Guitar Tour*, inspired by his association with Sir Paul McCartney is dedicated to the music of the Beatles in Carlos' own arrangements for solo guitar. It went to number one on the UK iTunes classical album charts in May 2012.

Carlos was born in London of Spanish parents in 1949. When completing his studies at the Royal College of Music with John Williams, he was appointed the youngest ever professor at the age of 22.

After Carlos' New York début in 1978, the New York Times described him as an artist of "superb poetic gifts". In 1981 Carlos made the first of his three recordings of Rodrigo's *Concierto de Aranjuez*. Recorded in Canada with the Montreal Symphony Orchestra and Charles Dutoit for the Decca label, it was the first-ever digital recording of the concerto and was hailed as "a magnificent triumph" by the Classical Music magazine. 2005 saw the first *London International Guitar Festival*, of which Carlos was founder and artistic director. The festival has remained to this day the largest guitar festival ever presented in London with events in five major halls.

In 2006 Carlos began working with Sir Paul McCartney who is composing a concerto for guitar and orchestra. The work was featured in a June 2007 cover article by The New Yorker magazine. He has also recorded an album of Queen's music arranged for guitar and orchestra, and has over the years been collaborating with artists such as John Williams, Paco Peña, Pinchas Zukerman, Teresa Berganza and Cleo Laine.

Carlos is continuing to tour extensively through the UK, Europe and the Americas. It is a privilege to see him at Portsmouth Music Festival.

Head of Section: Arne Brattland

The String Guitar Centre Trophy will be presented to the best pupil/teacher duo Novice - Grade 1-2.

The String Guitar Centre Trophy no.2 will be presented to the best pupil/teacher duo Grade 3-6.

The Lewis Groth Ward-Saunders Cup will be presented to the performer Novice - Grade 2 who makes the greatest impression on the Adjudicator.

The Vice Chairman's Guitar Cup will be presented to the performer Grade 3-6 who makes the greatest impression on the Adjudicator.

The Clarendon Cup will be presented to the performer who makes the greatest impression on the Adjudicator for Grade 7-8, Open solo, and over 19 Open and Grades 1-8.

The Victoria Cup will be presented to the most promising Recital performer.

The Hago Cup will be presented for the best performance in the ensemble classes and open duo classes.

Minghella Studio, New Theatre Royal, 20-24 Guildhall Walk, Portsmouth, PO1 2DD.

Benjamin Trippick	Own choice solo - 18 years and under - Grade 1	P	
Dan Betsworth	Own choice solo - 18 years and under - Grade 2	HC	The Lewis Groth Ward-Saunders Cup
Edward Sweet	Own choice solo - 18 years and under - Grades 3-4	HC	The Vice Chairman's Guitar Cup
Calum Urquhart/Theo Mantel-Cooper	Own choice solo - 18 years and under - Grades 5-6	HC	
Noah Golding	Own choice solo - 18 years and under - Open	M	
Elizabeth Davis	Own choice solo - 19 years and over - Grades 1-4	HC	The Clarendon Cup
Michael Morgan	Own choice solo - 19 years and over - Grades 5-8	M	
Zoe Barnett	Recital Class - any age	D	The Victoria Cup
Samuel Waring	Pupil and teacher duet classes - Grades 1-2	M	The String Guitar centre Trophy
Aimee O'donoghue	Pupil and teacher duet classes - Grades 3-4	M	
Calum Urquhart	Pupil and teacher duet classes - Grades 5-6	HC	The String Guitar Centre Trophy no. 2
Ollie Searle / Finn Fleming	Open Duet	M	The Hago Cup
Derek Hasted / Gilly Slot	Guitar and other instruments	M	
Ukeladies	Guitar and/or Ukelele only	M	
The Bosham Trio	Guitar ensemble under 15 years	M	
West Sussex Guitar Club Ensemble	Guitar ensemble any age	M	

End of Guitar Section