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Dorset Guitar Society

On The Beat

Newsletter of the Dorset Guitar
Society

March Update

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Venue for DGS



Following our meeting in February it was agreed that for the foreseeable future Greyfriars Community Centre in Ringwood will become our home each month. We know that this will benefit a number of our membership but also add some distance to others. Finding a venue in close proximity to Kinson with availability, easy parking and storage for our library has been a challenge with only St Ives & St Leonard's Hall and Greyfriars being viable options of those Sue contacted.

We hope everyone will be willing to make the change and continue to attend meetings.

Greyfriars are really keen to have us as regulars and Jim has been to meet the staff and discuss storage arrangements. As part of the move, we are going to sort out and re-organise the music library to enable us to access this each month and have items for members to browse and borrow at each meeting. It would be really useful if there is a willing volunteer to handle setting out and packing away some music each meeting and to keep a track of what members borrow. We plan to have boxes split into solos, duets, trios etc... and perhaps a different box comes out each month. Please let us know if you would be willing to take this small task on.

Jim has also been to see the other rooms and the other large hall on site which will be suitable for our Friends and Family Concert. We are also going to contact the church across the road to find out their costs for hire should we wish to use that for concerts.

2026 Meeting & Event Dates

Planned DGS meeting & event dates are as follows:

Sunday 22nd March 2026- note not the usual 3rd Sunday due to Father's Day

Sunday 19th April 2026- Durweston Concert at St Nicholas Church 5pm rehearsal
7:15pm concert

Sunday 17th May 2026

Sunday 28th June 2026

Sunday 26th July 2026- CHANGE OF DATE DUE TO VENUE AVAILABILITY

Sunday 16th August 2026

Early September-Concert for Bournemouth Oratory- date being planned. Will update and confirm

Sunday 20th September 2026- Possible date 1 for our Friends & Family Concert

Sunday 18th October 2026- South Coast Guitar Friendly with West Sussex and Southampton Guitar Societies. This year hosted by WSGC at Regis Recital Hall, Sudley Road Bognor Regis Po21 1DA 11am-4:30pm

Sunday 15th November 2026- Possible date 2 for Friends & Family Concert

Sunday 13th December 2026

All meetings run from 2:00pm -5:30pm and are at Greyfriars Community Centre, Ringwood. Any changes from this will be notified and updated on the website.

Meeting Dates

Durweston Solo and Small Ensemble Items

Our programme for the Durweston concert is 1 hour without an interval. We have a small slot for 2 or 3 small ensemble items within our proposed programme. Our intention is to begin our concert with these items and then run our orchestra programme afterwards. If we have more small ensemble items than this then we can review our orchestral programme to accommodate but we need to know in good time please.

Please let me know as soon as possible if you would like to offer something for this concert. It would be good to hear these at the March meeting so please use the space after tea-break to try out your performances.

I am already aware of Henry and Tom playing Morenita du Brazil and of Bob, Martin and Peter L playing a trio.

Any others please email me on the usual address
secretary@dorsetguitarsociety.org.uk

Our Proposed orchestral programme is as follows (not yet in order)

Manitas

Misonera

Telemann

Alleycats

In My Life

Green

PSD Sunday Soiree St Nicholas Church, Durweston

This will take place on Sunday 19th April 2026 (our usual meeting day) at 7:15pm. We will have a rehearsal from 5pm on the day and have use of the nearby Village Hall for refreshments before the concert. You can also park at the Village Hall. The church is a short walk from there. We will need to vacate the church for Sunday service at 6ish.

St Nicholas Church, Durweston DT110QA

The concert is admission FREE with retiring collection in aid of St Nichloas Church



DORSET GUITAR ORCHESTRA

Perform for the PSD Sunday Soiree Series at
St Nicholas Church, Durweston
Blandford, Dorset, DT11 0QA

Telemann Lennon & McCartney Bustamante

**19th April
2026**

**FREE
ADMISSION**

**7:15
PM**



Retiring collection for
church funds



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Events

Professional Concerts

WEST SUSSEX GUITAR CLUB
FRIDAY 27th MARCH 7:30pm

Zoe Barnett and Georgina Dadson

An evening of guitar solos and duets



Formed in London, the Zoe Barnett and Georgina Dadson Guitar Duo brings forth a burstingly colourful programme to the West Sussex Guitar Club. Their programme of South American and Spanish compositions will showcase a rare gem; Suite Retratos by Radames Gnattali. They will also be performing works by Mertz, Dowland, Ponce and Maximo Diego Pujol.

As individual artists, Zoe and Georgina have built distinguished careers. Zoe, a D'Addario Artist and graduate of the Royal College of Music, has performed at venues such as Wigmore Hall, Kings Place, and the Amaryllis Fleming Concert Hall, and was named an International Guitar Foundation Young Artist in 2022. Georgina, a prize-winning guitarist, studied under Helen Sanderson, Mark Ashford, and Mark Eden, and has performed in masterclasses with leading guitarists including Xuefei Yang and Zoran Dukić.

Both artistes are committed to expanding the boundaries of how and where people experience music. In addition to her live performances, Zoe has cultivated a strong online presence, reaching a global audience of over 80,000 followers on Instagram. Her engaging digital performances bridge the gap between the concert hall and the online world, inspiring a new generation of listeners. Georgina is a 'Live Music Now' musician, an organisation which crafts engaging concerts for hospitals, care homes and schools.

Come and see this dynamic duo play standing, where their almost dance like movements add a greater intimacy to their performance.

For more information please visit our [Ticket Hotline](#) page which will also give you a link through to the Regis School of Music website to reserve tickets.

You can also contact Teresa on 01903 266641.

Professional Concerts

SOUTHAMPTON CLASSICAL GUITAR SOCIETY
SATURDAY 18th APRIL 7:30pm TURNER SIMS CONCERT
HALL

Celebrity Concert with VIDA Guitar Quartet



Mark Ashford and Amanda Cook are both internationally renowned performers in their own right. Mark Eden and Christopher Stell are otherwise known as the Eden Stell Guitar Duo, one of the most innovative guitar duos in the world.

Since forming in 2007, VIDA has performed to critical acclaim in major UK venues and are sought-after festival artists throughout the UK, Europe and North America. At this concert they will

present a programme that includes music by Mozart, Grieg, Brahms and Villa Lobos

Professional Concerts

BOURNEMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

SATURDAY 7th MARCH 7:30pm LIGHTHOUSE POOLE



Enjoy an evening featuring six of the greatest works in classical music! Rossini's bright and sunny overture preludes one of the most famous and popular of all concertos – Rodrigo's *Concierto de Aranjuez* for guitar. Suffused with sun-drenched melodies and a balmy Andalusian atmosphere, its achingly beautiful slow movement is perhaps the most sublime pieces of music ever written. The Spanish passion continues with Chabrier's dazzling rhapsody and Rimsky-Korsakov's vibrant and colourful suite. In contrast, Borodin's tone poem evokes the sweeping plains of central Asia, whilst nightmarish visions abound in Mussorgsky's dark and brooding depiction of a Witches Sabbath.

We're especially delighted to be joined by Classic FM presenter Anne-Marie Minhall for this concert who will be your host for the evening.

Enjoy a [free pre-show treat with a performance from the Bournemouth National Open Youth Orchestra musicians](#) in the Gallery between 6.50 and 7.10pm. Drop in for just one piece or stay for them all before you make your way to the concert hall. It's going to be a wonderful way to start your evening so make sure you don't miss it!

Works and composers

Rossini The Barber of Seville Overture
Rodrigo Concierto de Aranjuez
Chabrier España
Mussorgsky A Night on the Bare Mountain
Borodin In the Steppes of Central Asia
Rimsky-Korsakov Capriccio Espagnol

Plínio Fernandes- Guitar

February Teatime Talent Performances

No performances this month- looking forward to hearing what you've all been working on next meeting.

GIFT AID

To all DGS Members

I am preparing to submit this year's Gift Aid Claim to HMRC. As a registered Charity we are able to claim 25p for every £1 received in donations/annual subs.

Whilst I am holding Charity Gift Aid Declarations for everyone, before submitting the return, I would just like to check that all details remain valid and up to date.

In this regard - please let me know as soon as possible (before the end of Feb please) if:

- You wish to cancel your Gift Aid Declaration
- There has been a recent change to your name or home address
- You no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains to cover the amount of any Gift Aid to be claimed.

Any query, please contact me. If I don't hear anything, I will assume no change.

Thank you.

Kind regards

Sue.

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Repertoire for March Meeting

We plan to rehearse the following pieces on the 22nd March:

All Durweston programme (see above) plus

- **Nine Barrow Morning**
- Dance of the Knights

Note that 'Green' is on the list for Durweston. Hopefully you all have parts for this but I have added to OneDrive anyway.

Hopefully you are all managing to find the scores via my OneDrive folder. Please use the link below to access parts

Looking forward to seeing you on the 22nd March 2:00pm at Greyfriars Community Centre, BH24 1DW

DGS Committee

[Access pdf parts](#)

[Access rehearsal recordings](#)



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