

Faith in Fitzrovia

Quakers Friends House 173 Euston Road

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Meetings Sunday at 11:00am 'Children are welcome at Sunday Meeting, and are best provided for by prior arrangement with the Clerk. Weekday lunchtimes 12:30am and Thursday 6.30pm. 'Quaker Quest' for enquirers and newcomers, Monday 6.30-9.00pm

Quakers are a faith group committed to working for equality and peace. Our understanding of God is shaped by personal experience; different people use words that they find helpful and meaningful. We believe that there is something of God in everyone. Find out how we worship, what we do, how we are organised and how you can join us.

We don't offer neat creeds or doctrine. Instead, we try to help each other work out how we should live. All people are welcome and accepted at a Quaker meeting. Quakers don't use traditional religious structures or paid ministers. We share responsibility for what we do because everyone has a valuable contribution to make. Every meeting begins in silence. We use it to open ourselves to the wisdom that comes out of stillness.

London Radha-Krishna Temple

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Popularly known as the "Hare Krishnas", we are a worldwide organisation officially called ISKCON (the International Society for Krishna Consciousness).

Daily, we offer a variety of activities and services to our community. We offer, Bhakti-yoga, Conscious Living,

Mantra Meditation, Karma-free Diet, Feeding the Needy, Spiritual Education Courses, Community Development Volunteering Opportunities.

Our aim is to educate and enliven others on how to live a holistic lifestyle. Our centre's owned-and-operated Govinda's Restaurant is a pure vegetarian restaurant which has been in London since 1979.

The Sunday Assembly is a secular congregation that celebrates life First and third Sundays of the month 11am - 12.15pm Conway Hall, 25 Red Lion Square.

Sunday Assembly London, is a non-religious community organisation that celebrates life, and everyone is welcome to join us. Our assemblies combine inspiring talks, sing-along pop songs and a touch of mindfulness, all followed up by tea and cake. In between these gatherings there's loads of community activities to get involved with. Sunday Assembly is free to attend (we run on donations), family friendly and totally accessible. Everyone is welcome to come along! Please visit our website or Facebook page to see what the theme is for the next assembly! SundayAssemblyLondon nationbuilder.sundayassembly.com/london

Happy Science is a worldwide religious organization that spreads spiritual teachings to solve problems in life with love. 3 Margaret Street 020 7323 9255 happy-science.org

David Evans
Pete Whyatt



Goodge Street Mosque entrance



Juliette Bausor flute, Beatrice Phillips violin, Adam Newman viola, Hannah Sloane cello, and Daniel Bates oboe
Photo Robert Workman

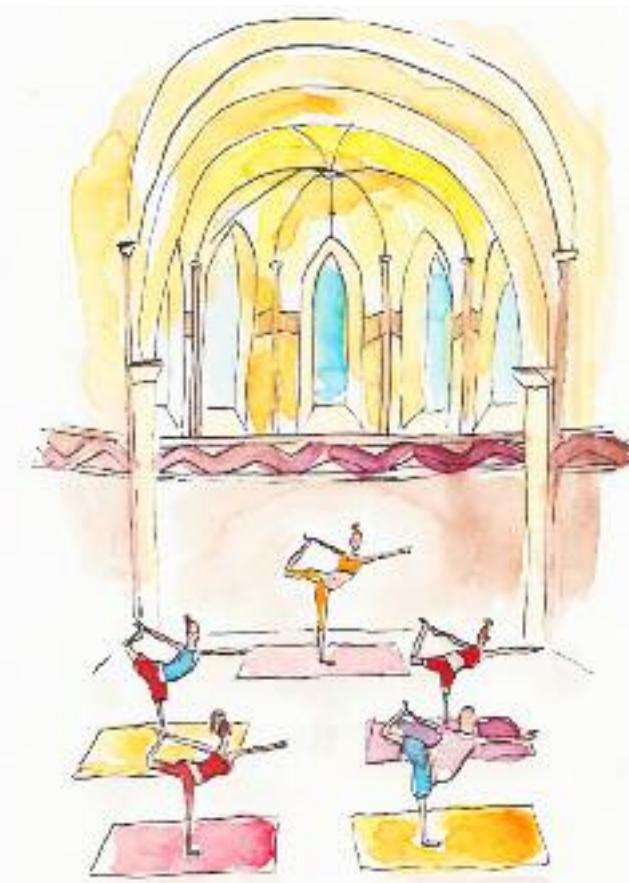


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Wednesday 19 June

5.30pm - Rush Hour Concert - Chamber Music by Fitzrovia Composers performed by the FitzFest musicians. Rebecca Hosack Gallery, 28 Charlotte Street. Free

7.30pm - Opening Night Gala Chamber Music Concert "An Evening of Benjamin Britten" performed by the festival musicians. Britten's Phantasy Quartet (1932), Elegy for solo viola (1929), Cello Suite no.1 (1964), (interval), Six Metamorphoses after Ovid (1951), Three Divertimenti (1933) The Fitzrovia Chapel Pearson Square £15 in advance or on the door



Come and celebrate the musical and cultural heritage and contemporary diversity of Fitzrovia at FitzFest 2019. Now in its fourth year, FitzFest is organised by local classical musician, Daniel Bates. The festival welcomes visitors and residents to enjoy its varied programme of events.

Central to the festival are the dedicated Festival Musicians: Daniel Bates on oboe, Katherine Spencer on clarinet, Bea Phillips and Laura Lutzke on violin, Adam Newman on viola, and Hannah Sloane on cello. This year guests of the FitzFest include virtuoso baroque flautist Neil McLaren, who will play works by William Alwyn and Gordon Jacob on an original 1890s Rudal Carte flute (instruments made on Berners Street). Other visiting artists include regular Glyndebourne soloist Charlotte Beament soprano, and violinist Maria Włoszczowska supported by the Hattori Foundation and Poland's Minister of Culture and National Heritage.

Local actor and director, Nick Moran (best known for his role in the film Lock, Stock, and Two Smoking Barrels) directs Roberto Kouyoumdjian's play 'Round in Squares' inspired by lives of Fitzroy Square's many interesting residents.

Playwright and Director Sue Blundell returns to FitzFest with another chance to see her hit production 'The Man from the Sleepy Lagoon,' which tells the story of the light music composer Eric Coates, best known for composing the theme tune to Desert Island Discs.

Coates is played by David Acton, accompanied by the FitzFest musicians. Coates frequented the eateries of Fitzrovia and loved the

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area. He and his wife lived for a time on Berners Street.

In addition to these productions, there will be other opportunities to learn more about Fitzrovia in the form of guided walks through the area. Mike Pentelow, co-author of 'Characters of Fitzrovia' will share his stories of famous and infamous residents on an informative route round the area, and Matthew Sturgis will lead a walk on the artist Walter Sickert in Fitzrovia. In another event Matthew will be discussing his new book on Oscar Wilde.

Ann Basu will talk on her new book 'Fitzrovia: the other side of Oxford Street,' and Kate Thorogood will deepen our knowledge of the Middlesex Hospital Chapel. The festival programme celebrates the works of two prominent Fitzroviaan composers with an Opening Gala concert of Benjamin Britten, and a Closing Night Gala of the music of Sir Arthur Bliss.

Ticketed events are £15 for the 7.30pm concerts, and £10 for the shorter late night concerts. All tickets can be purchased on the door, or in advance via Eventbrite or at fitzfest.co.uk. Other events are free and include community activities such as yoga at the Fitzrovia Chapel each morning, family fun with classical music on the Saturday afternoon, Sunday afternoon tea with music performed by the Festival Musicians at Honey & Co, Warren Street for the over 60s. To buy advance tickets and for further information and details of this year's FitzFest programme, please visit website fitzfest.co.uk or pick up a leaflet from one of the venues. Claire-Louise John

Saturday 22 June

9.30am - Yoga at The Fitzrovia Chapel With yoga and mindfulness teacher Jessica Leonard Hull. Free

12.30pm - Tour of the Fitzrovia Chapel, led by Kate Thorogood. Free

1pm - Lunchtime Chamber Music Concert "Bach Solo Violin Music" performed by internationally renowned, award-winning violinist Maria Włoszczowska The Fitzrovia Chapel. Free

2pm - Family Fun Activities with music and playful educational workshops led by the festival musicians The Fitzrovia Chapel. Free

5pm - Early Evening Concert Chamber music by Fitzrovia Composers, performed by the festival musicians Rebecca Hosack Gallery, 2a Conway Street. Free

7.30pm - Closing Night Gala Chamber Music Concert "Pure Bliss" music composed by famous Fitzroviaan, Sir Arthur Bliss: Oboe Quintet, Clarinet Quintet performed by the festival musicians. The Fitzrovia Chapel £15 in advance or on the door

10pm - Late Night Solo Concert - Pip Eastop 'Set the Wild Echoes Flying' for Solo Natural Horn and Speaker, Nick Moran Music performed by the festival musicians interspersed with poetry by Keats, Tennyson and Auden - poems used by Fitzroviaan Benjamin Britten for his Serenade for Tenor Horn and Strings. The Fitzrovia Chapel. £10 in advance or on the door

Sunday 23 June

All day - Nick Moran's Fitzrovia Actor, director, producer and Fitzrovia resident Nick Moran curates a day of talks, walks, gigs and film events to celebrate Fitzrovia. Free See fitzfest.co.uk for more details.

Afternoon - Music and Afternoon Tea for the Over 60s at Honey & Co, 25a Warren Street Performed by the festival musicians Free (just come along)

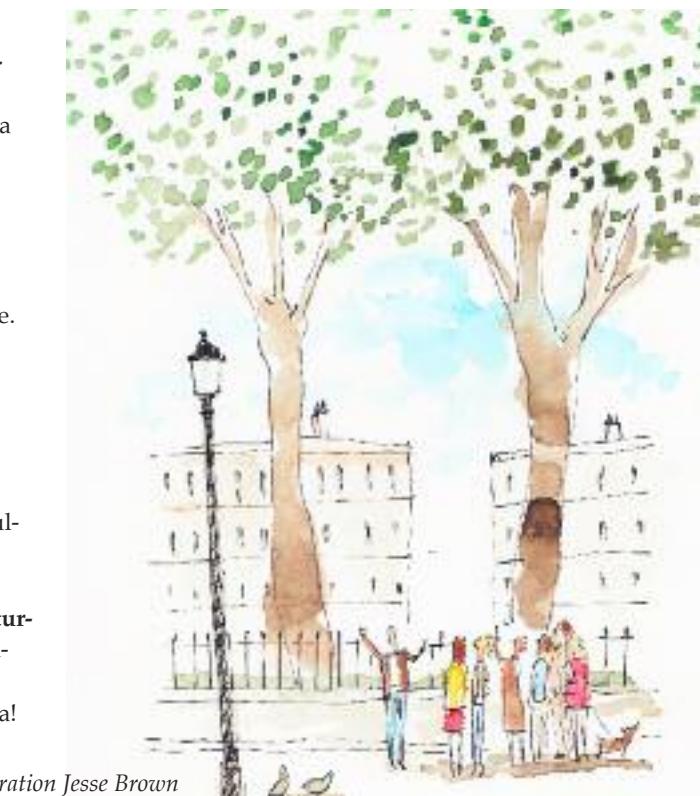


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