The Pipers' Guild Summer Course

9 – 14 August 2021

Lane End Conference Centre
Church Road, Lane End
High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, HP14 3HH

Tom Beets and teachers of the Pipers' Guild

Make *your own instrument*
Play *music on bamboo pipes*
Relax *in beautiful surroundings*

Proud members of making music

The Pipers' Guild: www.pipersguild.org Registered UK charity No: 211330

About the Course

Please note that participants must be aged 16 or older [1].

This is a 5-day course running from the afternoon of Monday 9 August until lunch on Saturday 14 August 2021. There will be an international atmosphere, with staff and participants from the UK and overseas. All classes will be taught in English. Part One of the course starting on Monday will consist of a series of making sessions; and playing classes will begin on Tuesday afternoon.

Pipers' Guild members not wanting to make another pipe may choose to spend Part One either playing informally in small groups, or relaxing and enjoying the venue's facilities. Alternatively, they may arrive on Tuesday for 4 days.

Making

The course will begin on Monday with a series of making sessions to enable you to make a good start on a new pipe. From Tuesday onwards there will be one daily making class, but the room will always be open if you wish to do more making in your free time. Our aim is that everyone making a pipe will go home with a finished instrument. Large tools and bench hooks will be provided - please bring your own tools if you have them. There will be a selection of bamboo available.

Playing

There will be two playing classes a day at different levels, plus one session when everyone will play together. For those not making a pipe, there will be an additional playing session available. Please let us know if you can't share a music stand; if you need large print music; or if you need to sit on the right/left side of a playing group. If so, please provide details on page 7. This will help our teachers prepare their playing groups and ensure you are able to enjoy the course fully.

Other activities

In addition to bamboo pipe making and playing sessions each day, there will be an optional pipe decorating workshop in the afternoon; and free time to do some making or private practice, relax in the lounge or outside on the terrace, walk around the extensive grounds, or take advantage of the leisure facilities.

Evenings will be free for relaxing and socialising in the lounge bar. In addition, there will be a Tutors' concert on Wednesday, The Pipers' Guild AGM on Thursday; and an evening of informal entertainment on Friday.

[1] Minimum age must be 16 on 9 August 2021.

Fees

Full board, including tuition and materials.

- Per person for 5 days: **£700**
- Per person for 4 days: **£585** (for Pipers' Guild members not making a pipe)

A **£100 deposit** is required with your application; and **must be received by 15 March 2021.**

However, if your application and deposit is **received by 15 January 2021** you will qualify for a **discount of £50** – i.e.: you will pay a total of **£650** for 5 days, or **£535** for 4 days.

Once you have paid your deposit you may pay the balance of your fee in instalments, or in a lump sum. **A place can be reserved on the course only if payment is made in full by 15 April 2021.**

Please ask about fees for:

- Attending the course as a non-resident (meals, tuition and materials)
- Joining us for part of the course: (board, lodging, tuition and materials; per day)
- Non-playing partners: (full board, all social activities and use of leisure facilities)

Bursaries

Pipers' Guild members wishing to apply for a bursary to attend the course are asked to do so as soon as possible, and no later than **15 January 2021**. Please complete the form on Page 8 and submit it with your application. You will be notified of a decision within 4 weeks.

Young Person's Discount

A discount is available for anyone aged under 30, reducing the fee to £490 for 5 days (or £440 with the early bird discount). You don't have to be a member of a Pipers' Guild to apply. If you will be aged between 16 and 30 on 9 August 2021, please complete the application form accordingly.

Refunds policy

The Pipers' Guild reserves the right to retain all, or some fees paid in the event of cancellation. **We recommend all participants take out holiday insurance.**

- If you cancel **before 15 April 2021** – all monies will be returned.
- If you cancel **after 15 April 2021** – a refund will be considered in light of what the Guild has already been charged by the venue.

If you have any queries about the course, please contact us at info@pipersguild.org

Lane End Conference Centre

Lane End is a modern purpose-built conference centre set in 26 acres of woodland. Our course will be self-contained in one building on two floors, with classrooms, bedrooms, dining room, lounge area and licensed bar. Bedrooms are en-suite with double bed, high speed Wi-Fi, TV and AC. Lane End offers a high standard of catering and they do their best to ensure that dietary requirements are catered for. There are extensive grounds to relax in and leisure facilities on site, including free use of tennis courts, pool tables, outside fitness area, gym and more.

Lane End Conference Centre

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Distance from major UK airports:

Heathrow Airport - 23 miles

Gatwick Airport - 60 miles

Luton Airport - 41 miles

Stansted Airport - 73 miles

By Rail

Direct train from London Marylebone to High Wycombe takes 24 minutes.

High Wycombe Train Station is 7 miles from Lane End via local taxi.

Application Form (i)

Name:		
Address:		
I am eligible for a Young Person's Discount:		
Date of birth:	Age on 9 August 2021	*(NB: Minimum age 16)*
Telephone:	Mobile:	
Email:		

Pipers' Guild members

Pipes I will bring to play:	Simple Sopranino	☐	Extended Sopranino	☐
	Simple Treble	☐	Extended Treble	☐
	Simple Alto	☐	Extended Alto	☐
	Simple Tenor	☐	Extended Tenor	☐
	Bass	☐	Gt Bass ☐ Contra bass	☐
(a) I would like to make:	Simple Sopranino	☐	Extended Sopranino	☐
	Simple Treble	☐	Extended Treble	☐
	Simple Alto	☐	Extended Alto	☐
	Simple Tenor	☐	Extended Tenor	☐
	Bamboo Bass	☐	Metal Bass	☐

(b) I will not be making a pipe ☐

If you are new to The Pipers' Guild and have not made a bamboo pipe, please describe your musical experience:

Application Form (ii)

I am coming on: ☐ Monday for 5 days ☐ Tuesday for 4 days [2]

I confirm that I will be at least 16 years of age on 9 August 2021 and I understand that:

- Full payment is required by 15 April 2021 in order to reserve a place.
- Should I cancel after 15 April 2021 The Pipers' Guild reserves the right to retain all, or some monies paid.

Signed Date

1. Print off and send this form to:

   Angela Hopkinson, Lower Trewinney, Mevagissey, St Austell, PL26 6TD

   Or scan and email the form to: info@pipersguild.org

2. Pay £100 to the Guild bank account:

   Please ask for bank details

   Or send a cheque for £100 payable to The Pipers' Guild to:

   Ted Drake, 6 Walmer Close, Brightlingsea, Colchester, CO7 0PE

For international money transfers we recommend using https://transferwise.com/

Please ask for bank details

Please note that all correspondence about the course will be sent via email. If you do not have access to email, please tick here to receive it by post: ☐

Don't forget to record details of your application for personal reference on page 9.

[2] Pipers' Guild members only

Special Requirements

Name:

Diet

Lane End will do their best to ensure that your dietary requirements are catered for. Please be as specific as possible.

Vegetarian: Fish ☐ No fish ☐	Gluten-free: ☐
Vegan: ☐	Diabetic / Low GI: ☐
Other dietary requirements / food intolerances / allergies	

Accessibility

I need a disabled parking bay ☐	I need an accessible room ☐
Any problems (e.g.: mobility / vision / hearing) that we should be aware of? (ref: page 2)	

Application for a Bursary

Pipers' Guild members only

Name:

I wish to apply to the Guild for financial assistance to attend the course

Please state why you are applying for a bursary; and why the Guild should support you to attend the course.

Guild referee who is supporting this application

Name:	
Signature:	Date:

Please return this form with your application as soon as possible (latest 15 January 2021**)** to:
Angela Hopkinson, Lower Trewinney, Mevagissey, St Austell, PL26 6TD

Or scan and email it to:
info@pipersguild.org

You will be notified within 4 weeks whether you have been awarded a bursary; and the amount.

Personal record

Application and £100 deposit for: 4 / 5 days	Paid:
Balance of £…….. (due by 15 April 2021)	Paid:

For Pipers' Guild members:

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Notes: