

18–23 November 2025
Milton Court Concert Hall
Guildhall School of Music &
Drama, London, EC2Y 9BH

Guildhall Jazz Festival

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Jazz Festival

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no tickets required

**EFG LONDON
JAZZ FESTIVAL
2025**

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Experience the energy, creativity and originality of the Guildhall Jazz community in the highly anticipated return of our Jazz Festival, presented in partnership with EFG London Jazz Festival.

Five afternoons and evenings at Milton Court will feature headline sets plus a vibrant line-up of performances from Guildhall Jazz students, alumni and special guests.

All events are FREE, no tickets required – just turn up!

Tue 18 Nov

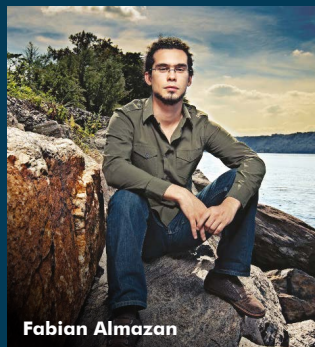
3pm Workshop with The Alexandra Ridout Quartet

Explore improvisation and musical interplay with this powerhouse of young talent from the New York jazz scene.

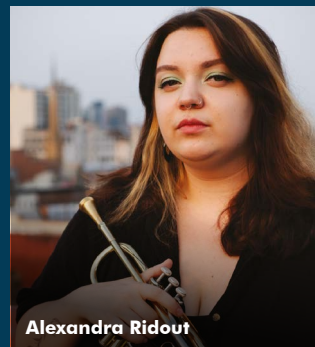
6pm Fabian Almazan in conversation with Jo Lawry

A unique conversation on music and environmentalism with the acclaimed jazz pianist and Biophilia Records founder.

Part of the Barbican's 'Fragile Earth' series



Fabian Almazan



Alexandra Ridout

7pm Sara Dhillon Group + Guests
7.45pm Lester Ridout Trio
8.45pm The Alexandra Ridout Quartet

A thrilling triple bill of fresh jazz talent: the vibrant Sara Dhillon Group, dynamic Lester Ridout Trio, and the internationally celebrated Alexandra Ridout Quartet.

Thu 20 Nov

AFTERNOON SHOWCASES

1pm Oskar Jones Quintet
2pm Beyond the Blue
3pm Happy Garden

Three exciting afternoon showcases of fresh, contemporary jazz talent, featuring cinematic soundscapes and lush grooves.

7.30pm Fabian Almazan with Guildhall Jazz Orchestra

Witness the UK premiere of Fabian Almazan's reimagined *Alcanza Suite* under the direction of Guildhall's esteemed Head of Jazz Dr Jo Lawry.

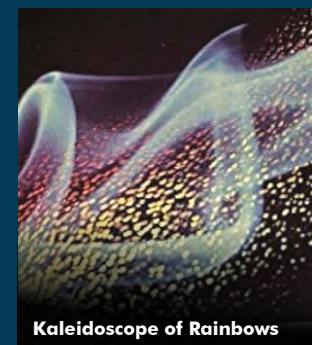
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Linda May Han Oh



Junior Guildhall Big Band



Kaleidoscope of Rainbows

Fri 21 Nov

AFTERNOON SHOWCASES

2pm Lucy Joy & Thomas Sladden
3pm Olesa Quintet
4pm Lior Solomons-Wise Quartet

Enjoy an afternoon of jazz elegance and rhythmic adventures.

5pm Jacqui Dankworth
The beloved UK jazz vocalist returns with her stunning new album *Windmills*, featuring timeless classics by Sondheim, Legrand and Mendes.

7pm The Joe Garland Band
8pm Linda May Han Oh with Guildhall Improvisers Ensemble

Enjoy an electric performance by GRAMMY-winning bassist Linda May Han Oh and the energetic Joe Garland Band.

Sat 22 Nov

5.30pm Junior Guildhall Big Band

Catch the future stars of jazz with high-energy big band classics directed by Ollie Weston.

7.30pm National Youth Jazz Orchestra with Sam Eastmond
9pm London Intercollegiate Jazz Orchestra with Finn Genockey

Two exhilarating sets from top youth jazz orchestras, including Zorn's iconic *Masada* songbook from NYJO.

Sun 23 Nov

3.30pm Guildhall Jazz Orchestra: Kaleidoscope of Rainbows

To mark the 50th anniversary of *Kaleidoscope of Rainbows*, Scott Stroman directs Neil Ardley's masterpiece in full.

7pm Kinetika Bloco @ 25
8.15pm Transpört
9pm Harry Trevillion's Cityscape feat Intalekt

Our festival finale is a vibrant celebration of community and creativity, featuring Harry Trevillion's *Cityscape* and Kinetika Bloco's joyful British Carnival sound.



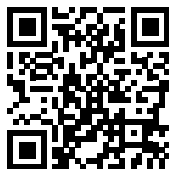
Kinetika Bloco

The Jazz department at Guildhall School of Music & Drama is home to an inspirational team of world-class musicians and educators. Rooted in the rich traditions of jazz yet embracing its constantly evolving, diverse and social nature, the School's performances showcase the creativity and skill that define today's jazz scene.

At Guildhall Jazz Festival, you'll witness musicians who are pushing the boundaries of the art form while celebrating its vibrant heritage.

"A life-affirming evening"

– UK Jazz News on Guildhall Jazz performance, May 2025



All Guildhall Jazz Festival events are free, no tickets required – just turn up!

Discover the full line up at gsmd.ac.uk/jazzfest

Guildhall School's Milton Court Concert Hall is located in the heart of the City of London, a short walk away from:

- 📍 Moorgate (5min)
- 📍 Barbican (7min)
- 📍 Liverpool Street (12min)
- 📍 Bank (15min)
- 📍 Farringdon (15min)

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