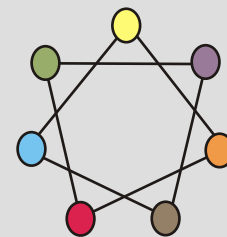


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TRINITY AND TOBIN MUSIC AT WESTMINSTER



Candida and other representatives of Tobin Music were invited by Trinity College London (TCL) to a reception on Tuesday 11th September at the House of Lords. The event hosted by Lord Geddes, Chairman of Trinity College London, was held to celebrate the achievements of outstanding pupils who have attended some of the courses offered by Trinity.

A short presentation about the diverse areas of teaching and assessment that Trinity covers globally was followed by interviews with former pupils and speeches by Julian Amey, Chief Executive of TCL, Lord Adonis, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Schools and Learners, and Lord Geddes.

The lovely venue and pleasant late summer evening made mingling very easy. Candida quickly found herself talking to Derek Aviss, Director of Trinity College of Music, who invited Candida to lecture at the College. After a brief break, Candida then made the most of the opportunity to enlighten Lord Adonis about the Tobin Music System and the benefits that it brings to music literacy.

Lord Geddes spoke at length with Candida and was so impressed by what he had heard about the Tobin Music System that he immediately sought out Mark Stringer, Director of Music and Performing Arts (TCL) to express his enthusiasm.

The evening was a huge success and Candida, having charmed everyone she spoke to, felt it had been thoroughly enjoyable.

Candida, Lord Adonis and Mark Stringer



Candida impresses Lord Geddes



TOBIN MUSIC GETS MORE PRESS COVERAGE

There has been a tremendous increase in the amount of Press coverage that Tobin Music has received in the wake of the launch of the Introductory DVD at Trinity College London earlier in the year. Reviews and articles in the current issues of EPTA Magazine, the ISM Music Journal and Link Magazine have all extolled the benefits of this system.

Alex Caish, Head of Press at the Independent Schools Council wrote, *The TMS, a British invention, is phenomenal as it uses a unique method to teach primary school children to be musically literate composers. The system is holistic and enhances many other areas of study, including numeracy, literacy and cognitive thinking.*

Judith Monk of Musical Opinion Magazine (Sept-Oct 07) writes, *Much emphasis has been given by Government to improving literacy standards in our schools with little evidence of success. Perhaps, if musical literacy was added into the equation, it would open many more minds to the variety in language and expression available to human beings. Having watched the DVD myself I am convinced that the Tobin System is the perfect vehicle for achieving this.*

PARTNERS

A Partners meeting was held at the Old Malthouse on the 30th September. It was a wonderful opportunity to compare notes and catch up after the summer break.

Everyone has been busy doing their bit to promote the Tobin Music System and, as a result, things are happening. There is a continuing increase in the number of people enquiring about the system and also those wishing to become Partners.

In many cases, it is introductions through Partners that lead to major steps forward for the Tobin Music System. We are now hoping that the increase in press coverage will be followed by some exposure on television.

Showing your support by becoming a partner is free of charge and does not carry any obligation although, if you know someone you think we ought to talk to, please put us in touch!

Please join us for the next Partner's Meeting on Sunday 2nd December at the Old Malthouse, Sawbridgeworth. All are welcome.

For more information about the Partners Group please contact our National Coordinator Morrice Wells.
morrice@tobinmusic.co.uk

DIARY

OCTOBER

Sunday 7th	Module 1	Tamworth
Saturday 21st	Module 1	Sawbridgeworth
Sunday 22nd	Module 2	Sawbridgeworth

NOVEMBER

Sunday 18th	Module 2	Tamworth
Sunday 4th	Module 3	Sawbridgeworth

DECEMBER

Sunday 9th	Module 3	Tamworth
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To book your place on any of these courses please contact Julie Hall:
JulesDuceHall@aol.com

ASSOCIATE TEACHERS WANTED IN CAMBRIDGE AND MANCHESTER

NEWS CONTRIBUTIONS

We would love to hear about your news and any outstanding pupils. Please send all contributions, of no more than 200 words, to newsletter@tobinmusic.co.uk

OUTSTANDING PUPIL

Helen Kuht is 12 years old and lives in Baddesley Ensor, Warwickshire. She is working towards her grade 5 flute exam and is doing grade 3 theory exam this term.



Helen also won the C.B. Collins music award for the Atherstone area and was awarded £230 to be used to further her music education.

Helen will be participating in the Lichfield Music Festival this term and the Halls Music Services Autumn concert.

The TMS helps her in both her theory and composing and she feels that this is why she passes with distinction.

Helen said:

The Tobin Music System makes music clearer and theory exams are much easier thanks to the notation ruler.

MESSAGE FROM CANDIDA

Dear All,

I would like to thank you so much for being such very good friends over the past few weeks. Without your support, care and love I don't know how I would have got through this period. With such friends, how can one possibly be unhappy!

The Tobin Music scene seems to be rollicking away and again, thanks to everyone doing something towards our ultimate aim. Jules and I have filmed with Bo Lindstrom the first three lessons, that is: Shorthand, Note Lengths and Notes Across the Great Staff. This has been sent to us to see how it looks on the screen and David Whale and I have managed to send back the script for voice-over and extra illustrations. Bo is very pleased with us and I feel like a sixth grade schoolgirl who has been highly commended by her form teacher.

These three educational programs have been sponsored by Hertfordshire University. This was on the understanding that we match the funding ourselves, either by the work we do or outside funding. I think we have done this well and truly by the amount of work we have done, and also I have put £2,000 of my own money in for the promotional DVD.

Candida

CAR BOOT SALE

Sally Pribul is collecting 'stuff' to take to a boot sale in, hopefully, early December, to sell in aid of the Tobin System. If you have any unwanted items which would be suitable, please could you let her know (01279 724482 / sally@pribul.co.uk) or deliver them to Candida. Small items, such as books, bric-a-brac, etc, only, please.

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