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Joanna Radalowicz and pupil, East Finchley Music Centre

If Music Be the Food of Love...

by Diana Cormack

The Music Centre at New Trinity Road, East Finchley has plenty to whet your appetite! There is a staff of around twenty who teach a wide range of instruments from keyboard and strings through to wind and voice. If there is anything that particularly interests you, they will try to provide it.

Many of the staff live locally, like Joanna Radalowicz pictured here with one of her pupils. The centre was set up by John Senior some fifteen years ago after he came down here from Whitley Bay.

Expert Tuition

Having been a professional in various bands John says proudly of his staff, "Nobody is teaching anything they're not good at". Indeed, quite a few of the teachers are professional musicians whilst others are music teachers in schools, providing a variety of musical interests and talents. They have to be good performers as well as teachers and their numbers have grown as demand has grown, with knowledge of the centre being spread mostly by word of mouth.

Want to Play

Tuition is on an individual basis during the daytime or evening in both examination and non-examination subjects. Whether you are an absolute beginner of any age or an accomplished player, interested in folk, rock, pop, country, classical or jazz, the Music Centre could have something to offer you. Give them a ring on 883 5596. To quote my daughter, "Its friendly, its relaxed and you learn a lot".



What's On...

and Entertainment

The Phoenix Cinema has a showing of **Shine** (15) Dir. Scott Hicks starts 7th February. An extraordinary tale of a young pianist whose talents and suppression lead to fame and destruction in this wonderfully unique Australian film. Call 0181 444 6789 for

Also at The Phoenix this month is a unique chance to see The Questors Theatre of Ealing perform 'Kind Hearts and Comedies' - a very special tribute to Ealing Studios on **Sunday 16th Feb**. Their presentation is based on hundreds of interviews with technicians, artisans, writers and people who worked at the studio during its golden years. To be followed by Kind **Hearts and Coronets (u)** Dir. Robert Hamer and starring Alec Guiness.

Community

The London Ashridge Circle 'The History of Magic as Entertainment' on February 12th at 7pm. A member of the magic circle will enlighten you on the mysteries of magic and demonstrate some of the tricks of magicians through the ages. Takes place at Berners Hotel, 10 Breners Street, London W1. Also The London Ashbridge Circle have a talk on 'Family Tree Tap-

ping' on March 12th at 7pm. Frank Townsend member of the Society of Genealogists will talk about the fun and fascination of climbing one's family tree. Location same as above.

The Jewish Museum, 80 East End Road, East Finchley have an exhibition about children who survived the holocaust called "The Boys -**Triumph Over Adversity**" Exhibition already under way ends 2nd March. Call 0181 349 1143 for opening times.

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Children's Activities

Ballet courses for children take place at The Finchley Lido from 20th February -27th March. Age 4-7 years 4-5pm Age 6-10 years 5-6pm. £23 for 6x60min course. For more detail 0181 343 9830



Reflexology course is available from The Finchley Lido between 18th February -25th March. A self help course that will teach you the location points and the system of the body with ample practice. Tuesdays 8 -9.30pm. Cost £28 for 6x90min.

On the first Sunday of every month The Finchley Lido will be running a Health Workshop with a different theme every month. These will include, Fitness, Nutrition, Stress Management, and Alternative medicines. For further details contact the sports development team on 0181 457 9909

Yoga courses start on Tuesday 18th Feb - 25th March and Thurs 20th Feb - 27th March at the Finchley Lido. running six weeks they cost £25. For times and availability call 0181 343 9830

Don't forget the Alexander Palace Ice Rink which holds skating classes and ice hockey for all ages. Home of the Haringey Greyhounds the rink provides fun all week round. For opening times and prices call 0181 365 2121

Weight Watchers holds its regular weekly meetings at the Methodist Church Hall, High Road, East Finchley on Mondays 5.45pm and 7pm. Call (01727) 827611 for further details.

Sunday 16th Feb. see the welcome return of the Hampstead Heath guided walks. 'Winter on Hampstead Heath' takes place at 2.30pm, met at Parliament Hill Staff Yard. Free.

The Heath and Old Hampstead Society have organised a guided walk, 'The Geology of the Heath' on

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Alexandra Palace Events

Sailboat - The RYA National Dinghy & Wind-surfing Show takes place Saturday 1st 10am - 7.30pm & Sunday 2nd March 10am-**5pm** in the Great and West Hall. Exhibitors at the show range from class Association boats, sailing clubs / schools, chandlers and wind-surfing enthusiasts. Admission £6.50/ £2

Sunday 9th March sees the welcome return of Antique & Collectors Fair, London's largest with over 700 stands selling a wide range of items 18th century onwards. Starts 11.30-5pm £3 adults.

The London Classic Motor Show takes place Sat. 15th -16th March. Hundreds of gleaming vehicles, classic, custom, prestige, sports, vintage, veteran, American etc. Also demonstrations and stands. 10am - 6pm Adults £7 Children £3

Miscellaneous

Friern Barnet Library Recorded Music Society entertain "Berlioz" with Ken **Brooks** At Friern Barnet Library on Thurs. 27th Feb **8pm - 10pm.** Admission £3/ £2 Contact: 0181 444 7215 Edgware Library, Hale Lane, Edgware has a **Library** book sale 13th - 15th February. Contact: 0181 958 5550 The British Trust for Conservation Volunteer have a Nature Trail Preparation on Thursday 13th Feb. 10-**4pm.** Meet at the Sternberg Centre, 80 East End Road, East Finchley. Further information 0171 278 4294

South Friern Library, Colney Hatch lane, Muswell Hill have a book sale Tuesday 18th - 22nd February. Contact 0181 883 6513

NEXT MONTH:

Easter Events

What's On in and around East Finchley is FREE to advertise in, so if you are a local group or organisation with an event coming up write to:

What's On, The Archer, PO Box 3699, London N2 8JA.