



2017 Training Brochure

Course	Dates and Venue
Colourstrings Music Kindergarten Phase 1 Teacher Training Course	January 21st/22nd, February 25th/26th, March 25th/26th, Glasgow
Colourstrings Teacher Training Course for Violin, Viola and Cello	27th May - 29th May 2017 at Roehampton University, London
Introduction to Colourstrings Music Kindergarten Teacher Training Course	29th July - 4th August 2017 at Merchiston Castle School, Edinburgh
Colourstrings Violin Phase 1 Teacher Training Course	29th July - 4th August 2017 at Merchiston Castle School, Edinburgh
Colourstrings Music Kindergarten Phase 1 Teacher Training Course	29th July - 4th August 2017 at Merchiston Castle School, Edinburgh

Colourstrings Music Kindergarten Phase 1 Teacher Training Course

January 21st/22nd, February 25th/26th and March 25th/26th, 2017

At Hyndland Community Hall, 24 Novar Drive, Glasgow G12 9RU

Tutor: Naheed Cruickshank

For further information please email: kindergarten@colourstrings.co.uk

This 6-day Phase 1 course forms the second part of training to become a certified Colourstrings Music Kindergarten Teacher. *It is suitable for people who have already attended the 5-day Introduction to Colourstrings Music Kindergarten Course.*

Course content will include:

- A detailed look at the Singing Rascals repertoire
- Discussion on Child Psychology and Child Development
- Lesson planning and delivery
- Teaching for different stages of development
- Repertoire for babies and young children
- Dalcroze principles, dance and movement workshops
- Introducing notation
- Links to instrumental teaching
- Musicianship training and assessment



Colourstrings Music Kindergarten Teacher Training Instructor **Naheed Cruickshank** trained as a Colourstrings teacher in 2000 and runs her own classes (babies to 6 year olds) in the West End of Glasgow. Prior to this, she worked for the Royal Scottish National Orchestra, Scottish Chamber Orchestra and BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra on education and outreach projects throughout Scotland.

She delivers CPD sessions for musicians and teachers using Kodály-based principles and her work has taken her to Norway, Croatia, India and Ireland. Since 2009 she has been training teachers at the Mehli Mehta Music Foundation in Mumbai. She is founder and director of the Reel Kids Music Club - an after school provision for primary aged children to access instrumental and musicianship lessons. She plays bassoon, whistle and saxophone.

Colourstrings Teacher Training Course for Violin, Viola and Cello

27th May - 29th May 2017 at Roehampton University, London

Tutors: Géza Szilvay, Csaba Szilvay, Pirkko Simojoki and David Vinden

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This course is the first of two separate weekend courses that together fulfil the training requirements for Phase 1 of the Colourstrings accreditation (strings). This course will be of interest to teachers and students as well as existing Colourstrings teachers wishing to refresh and expand their Colourstrings knowledge.

Introduction to Colourstrings Music Kindergarten Teacher Training Course

29th July - 4th August 2017 at Merchiston Castle School, Edinburgh

Tutor: Naheed Cruickshank

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Colourstrings is an internationally recognised approach to music education which was developed in the 1970s by the Hungarian brothers Géza and Csaba Szilvay, who are well known to string players and educators the world over. The Colourstrings approach to music teaching is based on Kodály principles and represents the finest opportunity for young children to be taught musicianship skills in the early years.

This 5-day introductory course forms the first part of training as a certified Colourstrings Music Kindergarten Teacher. *It is suitable for musicians and early years practitioners who wish to teach music in an early years setting.* Course content will include: The philosophy of Colourstrings; Kodály methodology; Child psychology; Lesson planning; Repertoire for babies and young children; Dance and movement workshops.



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Colourstrings Violin Phase 1 Teacher Training Course

29th July - 4th August 2017 at Merchiston Castle School, Edinburgh

Tutor: Professor Géza Szilvay

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It is essential, particularly in the early years, that instrumental teaching is of the highest quality. These formative first years are crucial for the child's future in music. The Colourstrings approach, developed by Géza and Csaba Szilvay and built on the philosophy, ethnomusicology and pedagogy of Zoltán Kodály, creates a firm musical foundation for the child. At the very beginning of learning to play an instrument the child will master the elements on which nearly all of the later musical and technical requirements are based. Through Colourstrings, children receive a 'musical parcel' which encompasses the development of technical skills, a trained ear, a deep understanding of music and outstanding expressional skills in music.

Course participants will be given an intensive and enlightening introduction into all the basic Colourstrings teaching material, including the chamber music and orchestral repertoire. This course will cover Colourstrings Violin School teaching repertoire: volumes A, B, C, D, Kreutzerini Scales 1 and the related chamber music material (Duettini, Sonatini, Chamber Music for Young String Players, "Rascals" performing pieces, Violin duos and Colourful music for strings). Participants will be shown how to use the books and discuss how to teach Colourstrings both individually or to a group. Sessions will cover technical, musical, and theoretical difficulties a teacher may face, as well as developing experience in instrumental teaching with young children. *This course is ideally suited to professional violin/viola teachers working with children, instrumental students, and also for university and other higher-education teachers of instrumental pedagogy.*



Professor Géza Szilvay is a violin pedagogue who has had a huge impact on musical education in Finland and worldwide. He is especially known for his promotion of children's musical culture. Géza Szilvay studied violin at the Béla Bartók Conservatory and pedagogics at the Budapest Music Academy. He also studied law and political science at the ELTE University in Budapest and took his doctorate in 1970. Géza Szilvay and his brother Csaba developed the internationally renowned and successful Colourstrings approach to violin teaching in the

early 1970s and have won several awards for recognition of their work. Szilvay has taught the violin at the East Helsinki Music Institute since 1971 and at the world-renowned Sibelius Academy in Helsinki since 1978. From 1984 - 2013 he was Principal of the East Helsinki Music Institute and in 2009 named as Professor by the President of Finland, Tarja Halonen. In 2013 Szilvay was awarded a Knighthood by the President of Hungary, János Áder.

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