

SOAS INTERFAITH MUSIC FESTIVAL



Programme

- 10:30 **Festival Opening**
With Professor Gurharpal Singh, Dean of Arts and Humanities, SOAS,
and Anja Fahlenkamp, SOAS Student Union Anti-Racism Officer and festival organiser
- 11:00 San Kam Nung ("Always in my mind") *Classical Thai music/ inspired by Buddhism and Hinduism*
11:20 Laoise, Yalla! *Judaism/Interfaith*
11:40 Radha Krishna Temple *Hinduism/Vaisnavism/Hare Krishna mantras*
12:10 MTO Sufi Society *Islamic Sufism/traditional music and dance*
12:30 Antarma..... *One Love/Hinduism/Sufi/multi-faith reggae, rap music*
12:40 Kat Drake and Cosma Gottardi..... *Baha'i*
- 12:50 **Panel Talk: How can music contribute to interfaith dialogue?**
Speakers: Mehmet Akyildiz SOAS Spiritual Dialogue Society
Anthony Bilal Antarma Interfaith Musician
Rev. Prof. June Boyce Tillman Space for Peace, Winchester Cathedral
Cantor Jeremy Burko European Academy for Jewish Liturgy
Cosma Gottardi Faith Direct
Rakin Niass Sunlight Education
Harsha Sharma and Cat Mansoor Tunes 4 Change/Tony Blair Faith Foundation Faiths Act
- 13:35 Rev. Prof. June Boyce-Tillman *Christianity/ Singing the Mystery - Hildegard of Bingen*
14:05 SOAS Thai Music Group/Thai Music Circle UK..... *Thai/inspired by Buddhism and Hinduism*
14:35 Native Sun..... *Islam and Buddhism*
- 15:00 **Panel Talk: What role does music have in different religions for attaining spirituality?**
Speakers: Mehmet Akyildiz (Islamic Sufism)
Cantor Jeremy Burko, Masorti (Judaism)
Ian Coleman, Church of St Anselm & St Caecilia (Christianity)
Sepideh Dundonon, MTO Sufi Society (Islamic Sufism)
Cosma Gottardi (Baha'i)
Sachi Kishore, Radha Krishna Temple (Hare Krishna/Hinduism)
- 16:00 Schola Anselmi *Christianity/ Gregorian chant/ polyphonic music from the Roman Catholic tradition*
- 16:15 Red Sulphur *Islamic Sufism*
16:35 Rakin Niass, Darul Fayda Sufi Order *Islamic Sufism Rap*
17:00 Los Desterrados *Judaism/ Sephardic Flamenco/songs of the Sephardic Diaspora from Spain, Morocco, Turkey, Greece, Tunisia*
- 17:30 After the Rain..... *Electro-acoustic/elements of Persian classical and Islamic music*
18:00 Francesca Ter-Berg and Rachel Weston,
SOAS Jewish Music Institute..... *Judaism/ spiritual, cantorial music*
18:20 Minaxi Hira, SOAS..... *Hinduism/devotion song*
18:30 Abdelkader Saadoun..... *inspired by various religions of North Africa and the Middle East/ Flamenco, Jazz, original compositions and other traditional music*
- 19:00 SOAS Klezmer Ensemble *Judaism/ Klezmer (Eastern European Jewish Wedding Music)*
19:30 Ocean of Love, International Sufi School..... *Islam/Senegalese Sufi*
20:00 Cantor Jacky Chernett, Cantor Jeremy
Burko and Julian Dawes *Judaism/cantorial*
- 20:30 **Finale**
SOAS World Music Choir, with Judith Silver and June Boyce Tillman: *Songs for Peace*