## **About Music In Dollar**

For over 60 years Music in Dollar has been promoting and encouraging the study, practice and knowledge of the arts in Dollar and the surrounding district.

Each year we run a programme of concerts, plus other social and artistic events. As a vibrant part of the community around Dollar we are always looking at how best to serve it. This year we have already planned 6 concerts, 3 community music events and other events (Open Sunday).

We welcome ideas, feedback and people getting involved. Please let us know what you think.

Even better, why not consider helping us to bring music to Dollar? New ideas and input are always welcome. Helping is fun, and doesn't take much time.



#### **Contact Us**

For general enquiries such as membership information, reserving concert tickets or requesting transport, **email** us:

#### info@MusicInDollar.org.uk

or contact us through our website:

## www.MusicInDollar.org.uk

our website is regularly updated with the latest information on concerts, plus other news and events

or follow us on facebook under MusicInDollar

or call Peter McClelland on 07946 481350

#### Concerts

Most concerts are held in the Gibson Hall, Dollar Academy, Dollar FK14 7DU. Approach the Academy up the main drive and the concert hall is behind the main building on the left.

Concerts usually last about 2 hours. Drinks are available during the interval. The venue has good disabled access.

# **Transport to Concerts**

If you need help getting to or from a concert, please contact us. Lifts can often be arranged in the Dollar vicinity.

## **Experience Music In Dollar**

Season tickets cost £40 per person. Sign up at the coffee morning, first concert, or contact us at any other time. Season ticket holder benefits:

- ✓ Entry to all concerts
- Membership included. Entry to Music Evening.
- Save £32 per person compared to buying individual tickets
- Additional events organised during the year

If you can only attend a few events in the season, then a basic membership costs  ${\bf £5}$  per person. You can become a member at any time.

More members means more sponsorship, which in turn means we can engage the very best performers. So please do consider becoming a season ticket holder: you save and we all gain!

Concerts cost  $\mathfrak{L}12$  per person for non-members, or  $\mathfrak{L}8$  for basic members. Children (under 18) or anyone in full-time education free of charge.

# **Our Sponsors**

Kind thanks to our sponsors, who make it possible for us to bring the highest quality musicians to Dollar. *Please support your local* businesses.



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# Music in Dollar



2025-26 Season

## Season at a glance

Please check the latest information, news and events on our website <u>musicindollar.org.uk</u>.

A Night at the Opera Vocal	Gibson Hall
Chinese Orchestra Community, world	Gibson Hall
We Play Piano Community – piano	Gibson Hall
Tim Kliphuis Trio Classical / jazz	Gibson Hall
Chloe Piano Trio Classical chamber	Gibson Hall
Come and Sing Community – vocal	Gibson Hall
Jia Ning Ng Classical piano	Gibson Hall
Charlotte Rowan Classical violin piano	Gibson Hall
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# A Night at the Opera

Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> October 2025, 7:30pm Gibson Hall, Dollar Academy FK14 7DU

Defying conventional beliefs that the opera can only be played in huge city venues, we're bringing it to Dollar! Cut-down in size but not in quality, A Night at the Opera comprises four singers, eleven instruments, conductor and compère!



Programmes are packed with favourite operatic melodies, including pieces to delight both the musical connoisseur and the less operatically minded. Homage is paid to giants of the genre such as Bizet, Delibes, Donizetti, Mozart, Offenbach, Puccini, Saint-Saens, J Strauss and Verdi, sometimes with an nod to Lehar and Gilbert and Sullivan. Each item is introduced with full musical and character explanation. A surprise or two

may also be in store!

"Fabulous performance! What a wonderful evening! Sublime singing, all accompanied by a magnificent orchestra. An absolute joy from start to finish!" Lanark Music

https://www.classicalmusiciansscotland.com/artists/opera-gala/

#### **Chinese Orchestra**

Sunday, 2<sup>rd</sup> November 2025, 3:00pm

Gibson Hall, Dollar Academy FK14 7DU

And now for something a little different! The Edinburgh Chinese Community Orchestra (aka Harmony Ensemble) was established 25 years ago as a group of local musicians and visiting students who love performing Chinese music.

They perform at many events throughout Scotland, often representing the Chinese Community at traditional celebrations, bringing Chinese music to a wider community.

Including Eddie McGuire (of Whistlebinkies fame, and a prominent composer) who introduces the pieces. This is an informal event, where the audience are invited to touch the instruments and chat to the performers!



## We Play Piano

Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2025, 3:00pm Gibson Hall, Dollar Academy FK14 7DU



Come and join Mavy Williamson in the wonderful setting of Dollar Academy, for an afternoon showcasing young courageous pianists dedicated to performance.

Young pianists ages 5-18, of all abilities and all styles, play for family and friends, with a supportive

and encouraging audience. Come along and enjoy inspirational young talent! Free to all.

## **Come And Sing**

Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> February 2026, 2:00pm Gibson Hall. Dollar Academy FK14 7DU

Expert tutor Brian McBride runs an afternoon of singing and fun, with fresh songs leading to a performance at the end. No better way to feel good! Free to all.

## **Tim Kliphuis Trio**

Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2025, 3:00pm Gibson Hall, Dollar Academy FK14 7DU

Award-winning Dutch violinist Tim Kliphuis has created a brand new style that embraces classical, gypsy jazz and folk. Hailed as a 'current-day improvising Paganini', his inclusive and innovative approach to music has united audiences and is influencing a new generation of string players.

An invitation to the Richard Strauss Festival in Germany started the Tim Kliphuis Trio (Nigel Clark, guitar and Roy Percy, double bass) whose mission is a 'total music' without stylistic barriers. They performed at the Amsterdam Canal Concert, curated the world fiddle night at Celtic Connections Glasgow, celebrated Stéphane Grappelli at the Django Reinhardt Festival in Samois-sur-Seine. Many collaborations and tours later, we are thrilled that they will play for us in Dollar.



"Superb ... a thoughtful, provocative meeting of minds" The Sunday Times

"Playfully inventive and technically brilliant" Time Out

https://timkliphuis.com/

#### Chloe Piano Trio

Saturday, 24th January 2026, 7:30pm

Gibson Hall, Dollar Academy FK14 7DU

The Chloé Piano Trio, winners of the Royal Philharmonic Society Henderson Prize 2021, was formed in 2017 by talented emerging musicians at the Royal College of Music, London. They come to Dollar as Tunnell Prize winners, with a programme of Mozart, Dvorak, Weir and Ravel.

"Few young groups play with as much personality as the Chloé Piano Trio" Keith Bruce, Vox Carnyx

"An outstanding ensemble, with very high standard of playing, bringing together three toprate instrumentalists and equally sensitive, intelligent and dedicated musicians ... probing interpretations of not only mainstream repertoire, but also of lesson known works which deserve more recognition." Ticino Musica Festival



https://chloepianotrio.com/

## Jia Ning Ng

Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026, 3:00pm Gibson Hall, Dollar Academy FK14 7DU

Singaporean pianist Jia Ning Ng graduated with first-class honours from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland, winning many additional prestigious awards. In April 2022, she made her debut with the RSNO, for which she was awarded First Prize in the RCS Concerto Competition. Since graduating Jia has played throughout Scotland to rave reviews (and standing ovations).



She is a recipient of the Global Talent Visa endorsed by Arts Council England and has won

numerous competition prizes. An avid collaborative pianist, she is part of the Wigmore Hall French Song Exchange, and alumni of Oxford Song Festival and Leeds Song Festival. We are delighted that she will play for us in Dollar.

https://oxfordsong.org/artist/jia-ning-ng

#### **Charlotte Rowan**

Sunday, 15th March 2026, 3:00pm Gibson Hall. Dollar Academy FK14 7DU

From an early age, local lass Rowan (who attended Dollar Academy) has been captivating audiences with her dazzling virtuosity, commanding stage presence





Since graduating in 2012 from Peabody Conservatory of Music, USA, she has launched a career as a solo performer and as a duo with long-established partner Charlotte Stevenson.

"A breathtaking recital. I was advised to get my programme signed for posterity, and wish I had." Stirling.

"The sheer virtuosity of her playing - speed, range of technique, mood - was amazing. You truly gave us a concert to remember. Such an amazing performance" Crail.

http://www.charlotterowan.com