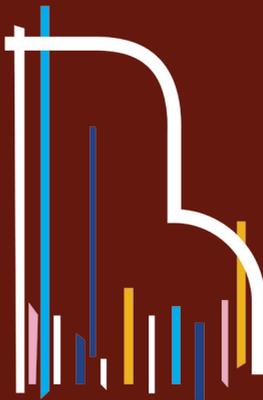




INTERNATIONAL
FESTIVAL
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PIANO WEEK

RESIDENCY | Foligno | IT

DATES | **20.04 - 23.04 2017**

Scuola Comunale di Musica
"Alessandro Biagini"
dal 1868 per la Formazione Musicale

PIANO WEEK is a touring international piano festival & summer school, founded in the United Kingdom in 2013 by Artistic Director, Samantha Ward. Now, in the fifth year since its inauguration, the festival is travelling to China, Germany and Italy while extending to two UK residencies at Moreton Hall School in Shropshire and at Rugby School with state-of-the-art facilities.

Piano Week comes to Foligno, Italy for the first time in April 2017. The festival is based at Scuola Comunale di Musica A. Biagini, a beautiful building right in the heart of the old town, with some of the evening concerts held in the spectacular Auditorium San Domenico. This four-day residency offers participants of any age and ability an opportunity to study with a distinguished faculty of concert pianists in the inspiring surroundings of the first official Roman city, which dates back to 295 BC.

We welcome applications for:

Non-residential full-time course



For full biographies, go to www.pianoweek.com

The Piano Week faculty are all concert pianists at the very top of their professions who hail from all over the world. Our roster for the 2017 Foligno residency:

Samantha Ward | *Artistic Director & Founder*

Maciej Raginia | *Creative Director*

Roberto Russo

Mark Nixon

In 2016, the festival was honoured to have world renowned pianists Stephen Kovacevich and Leon McCawley giving the closing recitals.

AGE RANGE

Any accepted

DATES

20th to 23rd April 2017

NON-RESIDENTIAL PARTICIPANTS

€450 inclusive of all classes & concerts

APPLY ONLINE

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Founded around the 8th century BC by the Umbrians, Foligno offers our participants a chance to immerse themselves in its ancient history alongside intensive coaching, master classes and performances. The main meeting point, the 12th century Piazza della Repubblica, houses the Cathedral San Feliciano and Palazzo Trinci, former home of the wealthy and art loving family, who made Foligno an important city in the 14th and 15th centuries. Today it is a bustling place filled with restaurants, bars and historical sites and hosting several of the most important festivals in the whole of Italy.

ACCOMMODATION

With various accommodation options available in the historical centre as well as in the countryside, our participants can benefit from a 15% discount on all hotel rooms and the restaurant in one the Music School's neighbouring hotels. To take up this offer, please contact Hotel Italia directly on info@hotelitaliafoligno.com, specifying that you are a Piano Week participant.

PARTICIPANTS WILL BENEFIT FROM

- One-to-one piano lessons
- Performance opportunities both as soloist and in part of a duet
- Duet lessons
- Composition classes (with a chance to perform their own composition in one of the concerts)
- A master class
- A sight reading class
- A music theory class
- A listening and harmony class
- A complimentary duet book
- Practice time (subject to availability)
- Free entry to faculty recitals and master classes





LOCATION AND TRANSFERS

Foligno's closest airport is Perugia Sant'Egidio [PEG] (30 minutes by car, 40 minutes by bus) with Fiumicino International Airport in Rome [FCO] served by all major airlines (2-3 hours by train, 2 hours by car). Foligno rail station is centrally located and is a 10-minute walk from the main piazza and many hotels. Car rentals are available at both airports as well as at the rail station.

PROFILE | SAMANTHA WARD



British pianist, Artistic Director & Founder of Piano Week, Samantha Ward, has performed extensively around the UK and abroad, appearing on British television and radio several times. She made her Wigmore Hall debut in 2007 and has won numerous competitions and awards in the UK, performing in major venues such as St. Martin-in-the-Fields, St. John's Smith Square, Cardiff's St. David's Hall and Manchester Bridgewater Hall.

In 2017, Piano Week will take place in China, Germany and Italy as well as at Moreton Hall and Rugby Schools in the UK. At the 2015 and 2016 festivals, Samantha performed works for two pianos with world renowned pianist Stephen Kovacevich in the closing recitals. Samantha is a recording artist for Schott Music publishers and the author of the recently published 'Relax with...' series of anthologies.

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