**RECORDERS EAST PRESENTS**

**OCTOBER RECORDER FESTIVAL 2025**

**APPLICATION**

**OCTOBER 2025 – FRIDAY 24 TO SUNDAY 26**

**CULFORD SCHOOL, NEAR BURY ST EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK IP28 6TX**

PLEASE USE CAPITALS TO MINIMISE POSSIBLE MISTAKES IN READING!

NAME …………………………………………………………………………………………… EMAIL …………………………………………………………………………

ANYTHING DIFFERENT FOR YOUR NAMEBADGE? ………………………

ADDRESS (not necessary if email given) ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

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**\*\* Please tick box(es) in Section 1 or 2 only \*\***

**1 ALL-INCLUSIVE RESIDENTIAL WEEKEND**

Accommodation Friday & Saturday, breakfasts, lunches & dinners, tea/coffee.

Playing from 3.30 Friday to 3.00 Sunday

**Either** – single occupancy of a twin room £255 \*

**Or** – sharing a twin room £200 \*

Non player sharing with you £125 

 Their name …………………………………………………………………………..

\* **£10 LESS** if Application and payment received by end of July

**2 NON-RESIDENTIAL**

This includes relevant lunch(es) & dinner(s) and tea/coffee but NOT breakfasts. If you would like a breakfast or two,

please state against Dietary Requirements below and add £9 per breakfast.

1. **ALL WEEKEND** Playing from 3.30 Friday to 3.00 Sunday £133
2. **SATURDAY ONLY** Playing 9 to 9 £70

1. **SUNDAY ONLY** Playing 9 to 3 £44

NAME & TEL NO. OF AN EMERGENCY CONTACT ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

PLEASE INDICATE ANY **DIETARY** REQUIREMENTS, **ACCESSIBILITY/ASSISTANCE** ISSUES (but please note there are no disabled-friendly toilets or showers, or lifts) OR STRONG **PREFERENCE** FOR A ROOM WITH SINK OR WITH A SEPARATE BATHROOM ……………………………………………………………………………………………………….………………….…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

**PLEASE SEND THIS FORM** either by email to info@recorderseast.org.uk

Or by post to Moira Usher, Samburu, Bentley, Ipswich IP9 2DW

**PLEASE PAY** BY BANK TRANSFER, USING YOUR NAME AS THE REFERENCE, to RECORDERS EAST

Sort Code 204451 Account number 53158780

Or post a cheque made payable to RECORDERS EAST

**CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 1 OCTOBER**, or earlier if we’re full before then. Book early to ensure your place!

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PRESENTED BY RECORDERS EAST

**Join us for a weekend of recorder playing in Suffolk**

**Friday 24 to Sunday 26 October 2025**

* Tutors are Harriet Oliver, Helen Hooker, Lesley Clarke, Liz Alexander, Michael Graham, Moira Usher, Ruth Burbidge and Sophie Middleditch, with David Moses as our composer in residence.
* Playing from 3.30 Friday to 3.00 Sunday.
* 9 playing sessions each with a choice of 5 tutors, with a range of genres and levels from easy to very difficult.
* 5 massed-playing sessions.
* Easily accessible by road (just off the A14) and a 10 minute taxi ride from Bury St Edmunds railway station.
* Maybe extend your stay to enjoy the many attractions of this area – Bury St Edmunds, Cambridge, Suffolk coast, Dedham Vale and many others.

The full package includes accommodation (see below), 14 playing sessions, breakfast/lunch/dinner (2 of each) and tea/coffee morning, afternoon and with meals.

Other options are:

- all this excluding playing (for non-playing partners/friends);

- all this excluding accommodation and breakfast – either for the whole weekend, or just Saturday or Sunday.

Playing

Friday from 3.30 – 3 sessions

Saturday 9 to 9 – 7 sessions Sunday 9 to 3.00 – 4 sessions

A feature of ORF is a composer in residence who will conduct or supply mainly their own compositions or arrangements. This year it is David Moses. Find out more about our tutors via our website [www.recorderseast.org.uk](http://www.recorderseast.org.uk)

Accommodation

Culford School (IP28 6TX – www.culford.co.uk) contains a Grade 2 listed main house (in which we play) with more modern pupil accommodation and classroom blocks set in extensive landscaped grounds, close to the historic town of Bury St Edmunds. Most accommodation is sole occupancy (unless you wish to share) in twin boarding school rooms. Most rooms have a sink but share showers and toilets (and regrettably these are not disabled-friendly), and some rooms have no sink but have their own separate bathroom. All rooms are on the ground or first floor. Please indicate on the booking form if you have a strong preference or need. Or you may prefer to stay in a more comfortable hotel, B&B etc within a short drive.

Movement will be necessary during the day between the dining/accommodation and playing areas – these are 200 yards apart on paved surfaces with some slight slopes (or you can drive or arrange a lift between them).

The school does not have an alcohol licence, but you are welcome to bring your own tipple if you wish.

Booking

Please complete the application form, send by post or email, and make payment by cheque or bank transfer.

The closing date for bookings is 1 October if we’re not already full, but earlier bookings would ensure your place and help us considerably. And if your “full-package” booking and payment are received by the end of July you save £10!

Regrettably we cannot accept standalone bookings for students under Year 12, but such players are welcome if they are accompanied to all sessions (and meals) by a playing responsible adult.

CANCELLATION - If we have to cancel the event for any reason, you will receive a full refund.

If you cancel before the booking deadline or if we are over-subscribed and can fill your place, you will receive a full refund less £10; in other circumstances no refund will be due, so you may wish to consider travel insurance to cover this eg due to unexpected ill-health

Please direct any queries to info@recorderseast.org.uk or phone Moira or Mark Usher on 01473 310322

Recorders East is a not-for profit organisation set up by Moira & Mark Usher to arrange courses for recorder players

in the Eastern region.