



## EVERY MUSICAL JOURNEY NURTURED

We are Ensemble Reza, a virtuoso string sextet of professional musicians, educators and friends based in Mid-Sussex.

We provide outstanding school education programmes and our community orchestra attracts players of all ages and abilities.

We continually strive to grow, reaching new, diverse audiences with innovative programmes.

Despite the pandemic we met our annual growth target in less than nine months with...



**Individually, we have performed worldwide with globally renowned orchestras and ensembles, both as members and soloists.**

34,600+

YOUTUBE CHANNEL VIEWS

940+

YOUTUBE CHANNEL SUBSCRIBERS

420+

YOUTUBE WEEKLY VIEWS

*“ Music is very important to many of us especially now, but live music just lifts our spirits... Thanks to all. You keep us all going... until the next fix! ”*

AUDIENCE MEMBER

*“ You all do such great work . Your beautiful concerts enrich the emotional and aesthetic worlds of all who are fortunate enough to experience them. Thank you! ”*

BARRY MILLS, COMPOSER

**From March to December, we delivered all content online, enabling us to reach new audiences across Europe and beyond.**



# ENSEMBLE REZA

At its core, Ensemble Reza is a professional, virtuoso string sextet containing...



*“ I LOVED the concert. Ensemble Reza displayed great musicianship with a great love for the music itself. Best of all, they clearly tremendously enjoyed playing together - how could we not enjoy it, too? ”*

AUDIENCE MEMBER

*“ It’s a privilege to be part of this group of dedicated musicians, staff, volunteers and trustees.*

*Ensemble Reza embraces a remarkable breadth of activities, including concerts, music clubs, a community orchestra and educational and special needs outreach work.*

*I’m proud we’re attracting increasingly diverse audiences and helping fashion the social connections music can bring, whilst still remaining true to our ‘family’ roots in Mid-Sussex. ”*

ADRIAN BARROTT,  
ACTING CHAIR

# REZA CONCERTS

Reza aims to create concert experiences that are accessible and enriching for audiences of all backgrounds and ages.

We offer virtuoso formal evening concerts, family, school, and free lunchtime concerts.

Since the start of March 2020, we’ve run all our concerts online. This has provided work for Ensemble Reza and guest UK and international soloists and groups.

Our Midday Music series has included a wealth of different genres including classical, folk, jazz and pop.

*“ Music transports us to a better place. You are a real treasure in these bleak times sheltering at home . Hearing LIVE music is so good for our mental health and well-being. ”*

MILLY

Our streamed Midday Music concerts include a chat option.



Audiences love to connect whilst listening to live music.



Concerts inspire, provide structure to the week and are a focal point to look forward to.

These concerts have helped reduce isolation and loneliness.

From March to December 2020 we produced

175+

YOUTUBE VIDEOS

Including

40+

LIVE CONCERTS

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# REZA EDUCATION

Our education programmes are central to the Reza ethos. Despite the Covid crisis we've continued to develop our work, offering educational programmes to both mainstream and educational needs schools.

We've been running interactive projects and concerts for over three years with Ingfield Manor; a school for pupils with neurological motor impairments.

Our virtual project in Autumn 2020 included creative music making workshops, teacher training and online resources and an Ensemble Reza concert.

*“ I have never really listened to classical music in the past, but I am really enjoying these concerts. Thank you. ”*

AUDIENCE MEMBER

Our concerts break down the barriers to classical music as well as bringing people of all ages together.

*“ I cycle over to my mum's and we enjoy Midday Music concerts on either side of her glass patio doors. Thank you for giving us a concert which we can enjoy 'together'. ”*

CAROL & JEAN

*“ Hi- just thought you'd like to know I used Anna's Great Cello Tango with KS1 this afternoon and it earned a spontaneous round of applause from the children!*

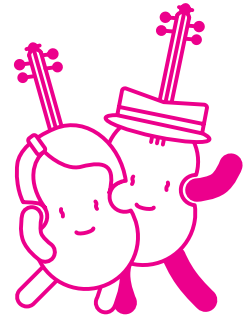
*Thank you! ”*

CATHY - PRIMARY MUSIC SPECIALIST

*“ Having access to scores and accompanying recordings has kept the music alive for all our music students. From beginners to advanced, players have stayed engaged and practising during the challenge of Lockdown. ”*

CAROL MACTAGGART - HEAD OF MUSIC  
OATHALL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Music lessons inspire children from Reception to secondary school.



Our commitment to education has seen us create

42

FILMS FOR SCHOOLS

The Ensemble Reza Music Club encourages music lovers to come together to share their favourite music of any genre and tell us the stories behind their choices.

Led by an Ensemble Reza musician or guest presenter, topics have included inspirational music to help during lockdown, music by female composers, messages in music, animals in music and more. Composers discussed have included...

8 to 80

AGES OF CURRENT MEMBERS

14+

ONLINE SESSIONS SINCE JULY



LISZT MAHLER STRAVINSKY PENTATONIX  
BRITTEN COLE PORTER BIZET VILLA LOBOS WALTON BERLIOZ NORAH JONES  
ED SHEERHAN MILES DAVIS ELGAR CHOPIN FLORENCE PRICE JANÁČEK ALMA DEUTCHER BACH JS BACH PARADIS KERRY CLARKSON CLARA SCHUMANN  
MILES DAVIS ELGAR CHOPIN FLORENCE PRICE BEETHOVEN GERSHWIN VAUGHAN WILLIAMS MOZART OSCAR PETERSON

REZA MUSIC CLUB

Reza's Community Orchestra brings together families, friends and people of all ages and abilities

Players get the opportunity to rehearse and play alongside professional musicians. Some members join having literally dusted down their instrument from the attic, whilst others are taking up an instrument for the first time!

Our virtual programme included backing tracks, films and tutor guides, all accessible for free on our YouTube channel. New members have joined from all over the UK and internationally.

35  
BACKING TRACKS FOR OUR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

100 +  
ORCHESTRA MEMBERS FROM THREE GENERATIONS

75 +  
PLAYERS TAKEN PART IN 2020 VIRTUAL PROGRAMME

“The REZA Community Orchestra is wonderful to experience, such motivating, inspiring and inclusive music being made”  
AUDIENCE MEMBER

“I really appreciate your help. We might not be meeting in person, but I know the exercises and practice pieces are helping me improve.”  
ERIC, ADULT FLAUTIST



With grateful thanks to all those who have supported us in the last year including our generous sponsors and special guest Stephen Fry who narrated Richard



Dehmel's poem 'Transfigured Night' in our October concert.



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