

## **SPLENDOR SUMMER ACADEMY**

August 15th - 21st 2022

Are you a musician at the beginning of your career and do you want to know absolutely everything about the profession? Then this week is for you.

Together with 15 fellow students and a team of Splendor musicians, you will take on the challenge and adventure of putting together a concert programme, regardless of the line-up. We will take a close look at all the various facets involved in this process; from arranging, rehearsing and interpreting the music to presenting your project at the Grachtenfestival.

The Splendor Academy will give you everything you need to realise your own concerts and ideas in your own environment with your own resources. Nothing is standard, everything is possible, the only limit is your imagination.

The Splendor musicians will not only share their professional music knowledge with you, but also their network, and their amazing building in the heart of Amsterdam will be at your disposal for seven days. The music itself will be central to the week, of course: every day there will be coaching in repertoire choice, interpretation and presentation.

We will also pay a lot of attention to other important aspects of the profession, such as working with multimedia, electronics, video technology, lighting design, arranging and editing music for non-standard ensembles, stage presentation and placing your programme in a particular environment or a historical context. For example, do you play the violin and have you always wanted to take lessons from a singer? At the Summer Academy you can!

In addition to the Splendor musicians, there will also be external experts present, such as photographers, copywriters, hall programmers and fundraisers. This might be in the form of a lecture + Q&A, a workshop on writing publicity texts, a photo shoot, etc.

On Saturday 20th August there will be an evaluation and presentation in the Main Hall of Splendor and on Sunday 21st, we will present the concert, your concert, at the Grachtenfestival Amsterdam.

### **WORKSHOPS**

Audio: working with microphones in the studio and on stage - Koen Keevel

Light: how light works and how to make the best use of it - James Murray

Editing and Arranging (for every level) - David Dramm, Wilbert Bultink

Stage presentation - Tiziana Pintus

Copywriting and publicity - Nora Fischer & Johan Dorrestein

Image: what makes a photo a good promotional photo - Friso Keuris

Body mapping - an educational tool that involves the conscious correction and refinement of the body map - Aisling Casey

Electronics: Bart de Vrees

Website & Social Media reflection: Renske Vrolijk

Splendor musicians present: Emma Rekers, Maarten Ornstein, Emily Beynon, Gerard Bouwhuis, Claron McFadden, Aisling Casey, Bart de Vrees, Nora Fischer, David Dramm, Wilbert Bultink, Heleen Hulst

### **PROGRAMME**

Morning : workshops audio, light, photo, text, arranging, electronics

Afternoon: interpretation, stage presentation (body mapping, 1-to-1 lessons)

Dinner: with Q&A/lectures

Evening: self-study

## REGISTRATION

The Splendor Summer Academy will run from 15 to 21 August.  
requirement: conservatoire/university masters' students

Thanks to the generous financial support from PPO (tool for development), the registration fee is only €250 per person, including daily dinner.

Send your motivation (maximum 500 words) and a recent video of yourself before June 15th to:  
[academy@splendoramsterdam.com](mailto:academy@splendoramsterdam.com)

If you have any questions, please contact us at [academy@splendoramsterdam.com](mailto:academy@splendoramsterdam.com)

## ABOUT SPLENDOR

Splendor is right in the heart of Amsterdam: a club for all kinds of music, invented and founded by 50 top professional musicians from all corners of the international music world, and their audience. Splendor is a meeting place, a clubhouse, a stage, a musical laboratory and so much more. Splendor is a cultural sanctuary, in which performing artists can create what they believe people should be able to see, feel and hear, independent from government and political bodies.

[www.splendoramsterdam.com](http://www.splendoramsterdam.com)

For an impression of the Summer Academy of 2017 click here:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kQ7gUI5ysDk&ab\\_channel=SplendorAmsterdam](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kQ7gUI5ysDk&ab_channel=SplendorAmsterdam)