



Absolute Beginners' Workshop for the Harp

Saturday 1st March 2025 - 13.30 to 16.00 (arrive 13:15)

Preston Patrick Memorial Hall, Crooklands. LA7 7NS

Cost: £30

About this Workshop

This workshop is for absolute beginners. Harps and music stands will be provided. **No previous experience is necessary.** Music will be handed out on the day. Students may bring a recording device if they wish. Light refreshment will be provided.

Tutor: Mary Dunsford

Mary has been playing the harp for 30 years, having started at the age of 8. She studied music at Lancaster University and then completed a Post Graduate Certificate in Education. Mary teaches adults and children in the North West, and has led a variety of workshops for Harps North West and other harp groups. In 2010 Mary published her first book on learning the harp for adult beginners, 'The Theory Handbook', to great acclaim. In 2022 Mary published the 'Post Beginner Personal Best Package' - a series of videos and sheet music to take you through the next stages of your harp journey following the beginners' workshop. Mary has performed in top concert venues across the country, including the Royal Albert Hall, Sheffield Hallam FM Arena, The Sage Gateshead, and with the National Festival Orchestra.

Harp hire

There will be the opportunity to hire a harp at the end of the session, dependent on demand. £80 per quarter. £50 deposit plus membership of HNW (Adults - £20 per annum (£10 from January to June). Under 18s - £10/£5)

Post Beginner Personal Best series

Carry on your harp journey with this package of tuition videos led by Mary and accompanying sheet music. Cost £30 for those who have taken part in a beginners' session and those hiring a harp from HNW.

Booking

Please complete the application form and return to Gill Salter-Smith using the email address events@harpsnorthwest.org.uk. Your place on the workshop will be confirmed once payment has been received.

APPLICATION FORM

I wish to attend the **Absolute Beginners Workshop on Saturday 1st March at Preston Patrick Memorial Hall, LA7 7NS, from 13:30 to 16:00.**

Arrive 13:15

Name of workshop attendee:

Address:

Email:

Phone contact:

Age if under 18 (Adults must accompany U18s):

For U18s, name of accompanying adult:

Previous musical experience (for our info only):

Please let us know of any accessibility needs you may have:

Workshop fee: £30

The fee includes a £5 non-returnable deposit for HNW's administration costs, in case of cancellation.

Please pay by bank transfer if possible.

Harps North West

Bank: HSBC

Sort Code: 40-16-22

Account No: 81806521

Use reference: Your surname followed by ABW March

If you wish to pay by cheque, please write the cheque Harps North West.
Please contact Gill to arrange how to get the cheque to us.