



The **European Chamber Music Teachers Association's** Autumn Gathering takes place in Leiston Abbey, Suffolk (United Kingdom) on **3-5 November 2017**. Our host and partner is **Pro Corda**. www.procorda.com
Information, registration, practical information: info@ecmta.eu
www.ecmta.eu

PROGRAM:

[Friday, Nov 3](#)

16.00 Arrival, 16.00 Masterclasses (ECMTA professors, guest professors)
17.30 Opening of the Autumn gathering: **Marje Lohuaru**, Chairman of the ECMTA,
Andrew Quartermain, artistic director of **Pro Corda**
18.00 Keynote speaker: prof **Matthew Jones**, **Head of Chamber Music, Guildhall School of Music and Drama, London, UK: Chamber Music in GSMD**
19:00 Dinner

[Saturday, Nov 4](#)

9:00 ECMTA Board meeting, 9.00 Masterclasses (not ECMTA board members)
10:30-11.45 Members' forum
12.00 Guest speaker: Kai Christiansen, musicologist/software engineer/founder of chamber music database earsense.org, San Francisco, CA , USA:

Chamber Music Database earsense.org <http://earsense.org/>

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13:00 Lunch

14:00 -17.00 Presentation: Pro Corda / Andrew Quartermain, artistic director

“Creative ensembles: how chamber music can lead the way across education.”



17:00 Visit to Aldeburgh / Snape Maltings

19.00 Dinner

20.30 Concert in Lady Chapel:

Yiannis Miralis (saxophone) and Michael Tsalka (piano), ECMTA.

Works of French, Greek, American, Spanish and Cypriot composers.

Sunday Nov 5

9.00 Masterclasses

10.30 Concert: students, masterclass participants

11.30 Guest speaker: Richard Ireland, Artistic Director, ChamberStudio, UK:

„ChamberStudio: Coaching and support for tomorrow’s chamber musicians“

www.chamberstudio.org



13.00 Lunch

14.00 Conclusion of the Autumn Gathering / Marje Lohuaru, Chairman

15:00 Departure

Practical information:

Accommodation costs:

Our host Pro Corda has offered accommodation on 3-5 Nov in Leiston Abbey with full board for an inclusive rate 120 GBP (approx 137 Euros).

Directions to Leiston Abbey from London:

Trains go from London Liverpool Street (Central, Circle Line tubes) roughly every hour on the hour. You board the Norwich train and transfer at Ipswich (journey time is 59 mins). At Ipswich you board the Lowestoft train and disembark at Saxmundham (journey time is 38 mins). There is a short layover of approximately 15 minutes at Ipswich but you'll need to change platforms so the time is welcome!

Should you wish to reserve your ticket there are very good deals on www.thetrainline.com and the earlier you book, the better. Train times can be viewed on www.nationalrail.co.uk

There is a taxi rank at Saxmundham Station and the fare to Leiston Abbey is approximately £10.00 depending on number of people and luggage.

Leiston Abbey is a beautiful historic site dating from 1363, set in the Suffolk countryside only a short drive from the seaside towns of Aldeburgh and Southwold. The beautiful abbey ruins are incorporated into the buildings providing a stunning backdrop. Parts of the ruins were purchased in the 1970s by Pro Corda, the International Chamber Music Academy, a charity running music courses for children and adults.

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