

WEEKEND AND DAY COURSES IN THE STEEPLE IN MARCH 2008

PLAYIN' IT BY EAR - TWO SUNDAYS 16 AND 23 MARCH

Two consecutive Sundays of listening and of playing our favourite music

We all love music. All too often, playing it is shrouded in mystery and out of reach behind imaginary barriers. But if you have a passion for music, and can lay your hands on an instrument, you can learn to play it by ear. You need a little experience to get the best out of this weekend, so get it out of its case and give it a go before you come along!

Learning to listen properly is at the heart of this class. It will introduce you to how music is constructed, and give you the tools to expand your understanding as your listening skills develop. We will listen to music provided by participants, look at what makes it special, and break it down into parts you can understand and play, or play along with. Please bring the instrument you wish to play and a CD containing a favourite track.

After the first Sunday's class you will have some exercises to do to prepare you for the following week. The finale will see us playing something together on the afternoon of the second Sunday!

TIME AND DATE: 10am to 4pm on Sun 16 and Sun 23 March (Lunch 12.30-1.30pm)

COURSE FEE: £50 (includes both days)

VENUE: THE STEEPLE, High Street, Newburgh, Fife.

COURSE TUTOR: **Dave Ford.** Dave Ford is a largely self-taught multi-instrumentalist with 17 years' experience of playing in a variety of bands. See www.davejford.co.uk for more.

Please bring your own lunch. Coffee, tea and biscuits are always available at the venue. On-street parking is available in Whitecraig Road - enter by Hill Road and walk down to the Steeple (circled below) via either of two footpaths, Towerwell or Reef Mog.

If you are unsure if you are suitable for the class or have any questions, please phone Dave directly on 01337 841004 or 07970 744986.

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