COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chairperson - Mysie Ferguson Great Britain Sarah Buckley Iceland Joanne Martin France

INSTRUCTOR APPOINTMENTS
None
TEACHER TRAINER APPOINTMENTS
None
ESA RECOGNITIONS
None
PROJECTS

The Viola Gathering was held in Ostend Belgium in October '22 following postponements due to the pandemic. Despite cancellations caused by the postponed dates there were close to 200 participants, including advanced pupils in books 7 & 8.

The forthcoming BSMA Gala Concert to be held in London's Royal Albert Hall in April '23 will have a large group of advanced Violists performing.

ITEMS FROM ISA VIOLA COMMITTEE

Collaboration has taken place through the year on the revision of Viola Volume 1.

The ESA Viola Committee has been asked by one of the regional associations to request the remake of the Suzuki Viola recordings. Given that Violin recordings have all been rerecorded in recent years we would be very keen to support this.

There are a number of issues with current recordings in terms of balance. We miss the introductory pulses which make it easier for the pupil to join and play along and would want to have included tracks where the accompaniment is played on its own, as happens on the Violin recordings. This request has been passed on to the ISA Viola Committee who are keen to follow this up.

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DEVELOPMENT OF VIOLA IN ESA REGION

Teacher Training continues with courses being run by Sarah Buckley in Iceland with exams planned for March '23.

Teacher Training and Conversion is continuing in Italy under Joanne Martin's direction. There will be ongoing Training for Levels 2, 3 and 4 this year.

In April 2023 Mysie Ferguson will run a Viola Conversion Course at Levels 1, 2 & 3 in London.

Viola pupils are becoming more numerous in Graduation and Workshop situations.

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