

WarHorse

An open invitation to the War Horse Folk Music School from Co-Principals John Tams and Adrian Sutton.

The National Theatre is proud to announce a week-long Folk Music School in March 2012. The School is aimed at singer/musicians seeking a future in the performing arts and will offer an immersion into vernacular culture through folk-song, with specific reference to the style of music and song which inspired the show, *War Horse*.

The School will run from Monday 19 to Friday 23 March 2012 at the National Theatre Studio in London.

The School will feature group sessions, masterclasses and one-to-one teaching.

Principal mentors will include:

Nancy Kerr (fiddle and voice)

John Kirkpatrick (melodeon, button accordion, concertina and voice)

Chris Parkinson (piano accordion and harmonica)

Adrian Sutton (composer of the original score for *War Horse*)

John Tams (Songmaker for *War Horse*)

Visiting tutors will include:

Marianne Elliot and Tom Morris (Directors of *War Horse*)

Michael Morpurgo (Author of *War Horse*)

Interested musicians can apply by sending in two songs showcasing their work, accompanied by a supporting statement addressing their musical development to date. Music will be accepted on any of the current transferable formats. Priority will be given to accordion/voice and fiddle/voice. Other instruments will be welcomed, notably melodeon, concertina and viola. Non-readers will be considered. Fretted instruments are not part of this first initiative.

Successful candidates will receive a contribution towards travel, accommodation as necessary and a daily fee of £70.

Applications should be sent to John Tams and Adrian Sutton by email: warhorse@nationaltheatre.org.uk

Or by post:

**National Theatre Studio,
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The closing date for applications is 29th January 2012.

Successful applicants will be informed by 14th February. All other applications will be kept on file.

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Songman (Saul Rose) and Fiddler (Eliot Short).
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