IN MY EXPERIENCE

MITTENWALD INTERNATIONAL **DOUBLE BASS MASTERCLASS**

Antonio Cienfuegos double bassist



I MET JEFF BRADETICH,

who teaches at the Mittenwald International Double Bass Masterclass, at a bass convention in Copenhagen in 2012. After meeting him and hearing him play, I wanted to take lessons with him. leff uses a

French bow hold and in Spain, where I'm from, it's not easy to find teachers with that technique. Jeff helped me with technical questions and problems - how to relax my arm, finger position, how to make different bow strokes. I found these exercises very useful and have used them with my own pupils. The other teacher on the course, Andreas Bennetzen, uses a German bow technique; I learnt a lot from him about playing contemporary music, and how to approach new music. Michael Pöllmann, a local bass maker, loaned some of his instruments to the course, so I used one of those rather than having to travel with mine.

The course was a week long and there were lessons every day. We started at 9am with stretching exercises, then had a group technique class of two or three hours with Jeff, and individual lessons in the afternoon. We ate dinner together at a local restaurant and afterwards we rehearsed bass orchestral music and chamber music.

There were 12 or 13 people on the course, who came from Germany, the Netherlands, Spain, Montenegro and America, but the course is taught in English. There was a mix of amateurs, conservatoire students and higher-level players. People could focus on different aspects of bass playing such as orchestral technique, jazz, chamber music or solo repertoire.

We had one or two free afternoons, when we could walk in the Alps or visit the violin making workshops and museum in town. Being in the south of Germany, we also had a chance to try lots of good Bavarian food.

> Tutors vn Petru Munteanu, Koosje van Haeringen, Ulrike Danhofer vc Gotthard Popp db Petru luga No. of places range C Start date 11 Aug End date 20 Aug Deadline 15 Jun Contact Petru Munteanu Tel +49 821-50888867 petru.munteanu@gmx.de Stadtjägerstrasse 22, 86152 Augsburg, Germany www.violinwettbewerb.de

International Summercampus

Rostock

Location Rostock

Instruments vn va vc

Min age 16

Max age 30

Ability C3 CS A3 PP ST PT

Contents ch co ja mi or pp so

Tutors vn Tanja Becker-Bender va Máté Szücs vc Alban Gerhardt

ch Verdi Quartet

No. of places up to 20

Start date 20 Aug

End date 28 Aug Deadline 15 Jun

Fees @

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Mittenwald International Masterclasses Double Bass Camp

Location Mittenwald

Instruments db

Min age 13

Max age 80

Ability C2 C3 CS A2 A3 PP ST

Contents ch co lw mi pp

Tutors db Jeff Bradetich,

Andreas Bennetzen, Enrico Fagone

No. of places up to 20

Start date 3 Aug

End date 8 Aug

Deadline 3 Aug Fees @@ FA

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Moritzburg Festival Academy

Location Moritzburg, Dresden

Instruments vn va vc

Min age 16 %

Max age 26

Ability CS

Contents mi or

Tutors vn Mira Wang vc Jan Vogler

No. of places 21-50

Start date 9 Aug

End date 19 Aug

Deadline 28 Feb

Fees Free FA

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Schleswig-Holstein Musik Festival Masterclasses at the Musikhochschule Lübeck

Location Lübeck

Instruments vn

Min age 16

Ability CS

Contents co mi

Tutors vn Saschko Gawriloff

vc Ivan Monighetti

No. of places up to 20

Start date 25 Jul

End date 15 Aug

Deadline 1 May Fees & FA

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Sommermusik im Oberen

Nagoldtal - Meister-, Kinder-

und Kammermusikkurse für Violine, Viola, Violoncello

und Kontrabass

Location Upper Nagold Valley

Instruments vn va vc

Min age 6

Max age 35

Ability C2 C3 CS ST

Contents ch co mi or so

No. of places 101-250

Start date 2 Aug

End date 12 Aug

Fees & FA

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Weimar Master Classes

Location Liszt School of Music Weimar

Instruments vn vc

Min age 18

Max age 32 Ability CS A3

Contents co mi

Tutors vn Midori Goto, Igor Ozim,

Ingolf Turban vc Wolfgang Emanuel Schmidt, Jens-Peter Maintz

No. of places 21-50

Start date 17 lul

End date 1 Aug

Deadline 31 May

Fees @ FA

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Greece

Chamber Music Holidays and Festivals in Corfu

Location Corfu

Instruments vn va vc

Min age 18

Ability A2 A3 PP ST PT

Contents ch mi

Tutors ch Ludwig Muller (Aron Quartet) Tiffany Wu (Vienna) Libor Kanka (Martinů Quartet) Bernard

Gregor-Smith (Lindsay Quartet) No. of places 21-50

Start date 30 May End date 10 Jun

Deadline 1 Mar

Fees 🛮 🕳



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