



TEACH LIKE IT'S MUSIC WITH DOUG GOODKIN



7th June 2025



The American School 1 Waverley Place London NW8 ONP A one-day workshop designed to refresh and inspire music educators.

Children come to formal music training already musical—left on their own, they're singing to themselves, chanting, playing clapping games, exploring sounds, dancing to music. If we teach music musically, we can then cultivate, shape, nurture and develop their musical instincts so they grow into greater skills and understanding. Drawing from Doug's book Teach Like It's Music: An Artful Approach to Education, today's workshop will look at what makes a lesson feel musical so that process and product and performance are all of one piece. Explore how to create lessons with a clear shape, design and musical flow. Come prepared to play, sing, dance and reflect on what can improve in your own teaching so that children are joyfully engaged and happy.

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SATURDAY 7 JUNE

9:30AM Coffee/Registration

10AM Workshop

12PM Lunch*

1PM Workshop

2:30PM Break

2:45PM Workshop

4PM End

*Lunch is not provided, there are places nearby to purchase lunch or you may bring your own

TIMETABLE

FEES

Members	Non Members
£85	£100

MEMBERSHIP

Orff UK membership entitles you to

- Orff Times magazine 3 times a year
- A discounted rate on all our courses
- Access to free members' events
- Access to members' resources on the website

Standard £30 annually Student/Retired £20 annually

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ABOUT US

Orff Society UK is a non-profit organisation dedicated to promoting the Orff Approach to music and movement education. Our mission is to provide high-quality training and resources for educators while keeping our course fees as affordable as possible. We believe that every child deserves a creative and inclusive music education, and we support teachers in developing engaging, child-centred learning experiences. Through workshops, training courses, and community outreach, we aim to make the Orff Approach accessible to educators across the UK.





DOUG GOODKIN

Doug Goodkin is an internationally recognised Orff Schulwerk teacher, training teachers in over 50 countries worldwide. He worked with children in The San Francisco School for 45 years until his retirement in 2020 and continues working as a consultant, mentor, guest teacher, workshop leader and performer in schools locally, nationally and internationally. He is the director of and teacher in the prestigious San Francisco International Orff Course and the Jazz/Orff Course, is the author of ten books and produces his own Podcast, The ABC's of Education. Doug is featured in the documentary film The Secret Song that screened in some 25 film festivals and is currently streaming on Amazon Prime, Apple TV and PBS.

WHY ORFF?

Builds Musical Foundations



Lays the groundwork for lifelong musical skills in rhythm, melody, and harmony.

Inclusive & Accessible



All children can participate and succeed.

Developmentally Appropriate



Aligned with how children naturally learn, making music education joyful and effective.

Flexible & Adaptable



Works across different ages, abilities, and cultural backgrounds.

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