



# The Leinster School of Music & Drama

## Errata and Additional Pieces Piano Syllabus

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# **Marking Scheme and General Comments**

## Marking Scheme

Marking Scheme Should Read as Follows:

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The grade examinations are marked out of 100. Candidates must secure:-

AWARD	MARK
<b>First Class Honours</b>	87 - 100
<b>Honours</b>	80 - 86
<b>Merit</b>	75 – 79
<b>Pass</b>	65 - 74

**Depending on grade a medal will be awarded to candidates who achieve a mark of 95 or over.**

*All original material, including LSMD piano books must accompany candidates in the exam room, **photocopies will not be permitted without original material**. Please ensure to provide the examiner with a copy of the pieces being performed.*

**Syllabus:** *Candidates must adhere to the syllabus, the exact arrangements and editions in the errata music be adhered to. Those who do not adhere to the syllabus will be required to repeat the examination.*

**Choice Pieces:** *It is the responsibility of the teachers and candidates to choose suitable Choice Pieces that adheres to the grade standard. Teachers are advised to contact The Leinster School of Music & Drama for clarification if in doubt at [leinster.school@griffith.ie](mailto:leinster.school@griffith.ie).*

**General Comments on Piano Books:** *If teachers have used these books without having first taught them from the original copies, there are a few little differences in rhythm, staccato, phrasing, absence of ornamentation etc. These are very minute points which will not take in any way from the performance, and is at the discretion of the teacher if they wish to add in any markings from the original score.*

**Repeats:** *Repeats are not necessary for exam purposes unless 'Da Capo' is stated in the piece.*

**Scales and Arpeggios:** *It is advised to increase the tempo of scales and arpeggios as candidate's progress through the grades.*

# Introductory to Grade 1

### Introductory Grade

*Joy of First Year Piano*

(Denes Agay, The Joy Books)

*Over Hill and Dale*

*Playful Dialogue*

*Eventide*

*Dancing Raindrops*

*Cotillion Polka*

*Lullaby for a French Doll*

*Bastien Piano Basics (Level 1)*

(James Bastien, Neil A. Kjos Music Company)

*Waltzing Elephants*

*New Classics to Modern (Book 1)*

(Denes Agay)

*Thoughtful*

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*Teaching Little Fingers to Play More*

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*Turpin: **Key Signature should be C Major***

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**OMIT FLAT IN KEY SIG**

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### Primary Grade

*Joy of First Year Piano*

(Denes Agay)

*Drifting Clouds*

*Sailor's Dance*

***On a Green Meadow***

*New Classics to Modern (Book 1)*

(Denes Agay)

*The Hunter's Song*

*Cradle Song*

*More Up Grade (0 – 1)*

(Pamela Wedgewood, Faber Music)

*Roundabout – 16 Easy Pieces for Piano*

(Alan Haughton, ABRSM)

***Paper Chase***

***The Very Fat Toad***

***March of the Kings***

***Grandfather Clock***

**Preparatory Grade**

*Joy of First Year Piano*

(Denes Agay, *The Joy Books*)

***English Dance (James Hook)***

*New Classics to Modern (Book 1)*

(Denes Agay)

***Copy Cat***

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*The Witches Lair: **Key Signature should be F Major***

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**ADD Bb FLAT IN KEY SIG**

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*Musical Sentences:*

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**Grade 1**

*Piano Time Pieces 2*

(Pauline Hall, Oxford University Press)

***Rattlesnake Rag***

*Encore, Grade 1 and 2*

(Karen Marshall, ABRSM)

***The Echo***

***Chattanooga Choo Choo***

***Giga***

*Keyboard Anthology – Third Series, Book 1*

(ABRSM)

***Minuetto (Wilton)***

*Piano Mix 1 – Grade 1 to 2*

(ABRSM)

***El Noi de la Mare***

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*Gavotte (Felix Swinstead)*

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*Piano Time Pieces 2: Gavotte (James Hook)*

*The Best of Grade 1 Piano: Gavotte (Georg Telemann)*

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## **Grade 2 to Grade 4**



## Grade 2

*Encore, Book 1*

(ABRSM)

*New Classics to Modern, Book 2*

(Yorktown Music Press)

*New Classics to Modern, Book 3*

(Yorktown Music Press)

*Making the Grade 2*

(Updated Edition)

***The Bee***

***Lullaby***

***Garage Sake***

***Minuetto*** (James Hook)

***Piano Music Young & Old 2***

***Giga*** (Sonata in D Minor)

***My Heart Will Go On***(Horner)

***Raiders of the Lost Ark***

## Grade 3

*Making the Grade 2*

(Updated Edition)

*25 Easy and Progressive Studies*

(Burgmuller, Edition Peters)

*New Classics to Modern, Book 3*

(Yorktown Music Press)

*Encore, Book 2*

(ABRSM)

***She's the One*** (Wallinger)

***Innocence***

***Piano Music Young & Old***

***Sonatina in B Flat***

*Piano Mix, Book 2*

(ABRSM)

***Andante***

***Muppet Show Themes***

***Scherzo***

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### **Grade 4**

*Encore, Book 2 (Grade 3 & 4)*

(ABRSM)

***Carnival in Rio***

***Freeway***

*New Classics to Modern, Book 3*

(Clementi)

(Yorktown Music Press)

***Sonatina in F Major***

***Waltz (Franz Schubert)***

*Piano Mix, Book 3 (Grade 3 to 4)*

(ABRSM)

***Rondo (Mozart)***

***Jive Hoot***

*Microjazz, Collection 3*

(ABRSM)

***Steam Train Blues (Norton)***

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Course Content: (i) Technical Studies should read: **Contrary Motion Major and Minor Scales 1 Octave HT**

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Course Content (c) Aural Observation Q1 should read: **Clap back a Short Rhythm played Three Times**

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### **Grade 5**

*23 Miscellaneous Pieces*

***Waltz Op. 97 No. 6***

(Heller)

*Encore, Book 3 (Grade 5 to 6)*

***Miniature in D Minor***

(ABRSM)

*After Hours for Piano Solos*

***Of Strange Lands and People***

(Faber)

***Gymnopedie (Eric Satie)***

*Cool Piano Funky Pieces 5*

***Old Spanish Guitar***

(Heather Hammond)

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## Grade 6 to Grade 8

*While technical exercises in Grade 6+ are optional, scales play an integral part to a candidate's development.*

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**Grade 6***Heinrich Hoffmann****On the Lake Op 77 No 12***

William Gillock

***Blue Mood****Harold Arlem****Over the Rainbow***

(Arr. By Dave Stapleton)

*World Renowned Piano Pieces Book 1****Solfeggetto (CPE Bach)***

(Arr. David Willison)

*Cool Piano, Book 5 (Funky Pieces Grade 5 to 6)****Star of the Show***

(Eds. Heather Hammond)

***Just Messin'******Back to the Barrel House****After Hours for Piano Solos****The Gypsy King***

(Faber)

***Clouds*****Errata***Course Content: (i) Scales should read: **C and G Major and Harmonic Minor a 3<sup>rd</sup> Apart, 2 Octaves, HT***

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**Page 22*****Diminished 7<sup>th</sup>: The Diminished 7<sup>th</sup> of a key starts on the 7<sup>th</sup> degree of the scale.****E.g. in the key of C Sharp major the diminished 7<sup>th</sup> begins on the 7<sup>th</sup> degree of the scale B Sharp which is C natural. In the key of D Major the diminished 7<sup>th</sup> begins on the 7<sup>th</sup> degree of the scale which is C sharp. In the key of C Sharp Major the diminished 7<sup>th</sup> begins on the 7<sup>th</sup> degree of the scale B sharp, which is C natural.**Musique D'Enfants should read:****Valse Op 65 No 6***

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## **Grade 7**

*More Romantic Pieces for Piano, Book 4*  
(Kalinnikov)

(Ed. Lionel Salter, ABRSM)

*The Jazz Piano Master*

(Arr. John Kember, Faber FF Music)

*World Renowned Piano Pieces, Book 1*

(Arr. David Willison)

***Chanson Triste***

***Waltz in A Minor Op Post***

(Chopin)

***Autumn Leaves No 19*** (Kosma)

***You've Got a Friend***(Carol King)

***Fur Elise*** (Beethoven)

***Sonata in C Movmt. 1 K545***

(Mozart)

## **Grade 8**

*More Romantic Pieces for Piano, Book 4*  
(Gade)

(Ed. Lionel Salter, ABRSM)

***Elegie Op 19 No 1***(Neils)

***Repertoire must reflect a varied programme.***

# **Procedures for Examination Centres**

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***Entry forms, with particulars filled in and accompanied by fees, must reach the exams administrator as follows:***

***FOR EXAMINATIONS TO BE HELD BEFORE CHRISTMAS – 1<sup>st</sup> NOVEMBER***

***FOR EXAMINATIONS TO BE HELD BEFORE EASTER – 1<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY***

***FOR EXAMINATIONS TO BE HELD AFTER EASTER – 1<sup>st</sup> MARCH***

- **Any school or teacher presenting at least TWENTY candidates for examination in any one subject may secure a local centre for that subject.**
- Those presenting fewer than TWENTY candidates may obtain a centre by paying the equivalent to the fees of twenty candidates. Alternatively you may send the candidates to the nearest existing centre, providing that this is convenient for that centres' teacher.
- The school or teacher fixes fees on the assumption that the venue for examination will be provided.
- If through illness a candidate is unable to attend the examination at the appointed time, re-entry will be allowed for the same grade on payment of a transfer fee of €5.00, or for a higher grade on payment of the difference of fees, (plus a transfer fee of €5.00). Candidates who have been in contact with an infectious illness must not be presented for examination unless they are out of quarantine.
- The candidate's entry cards with dates and hours of examinations will be forwarded to each centre, within one week of the examination.
- The results of examinations will be forwarded as soon as possible. Responsibility is not accepted for loss of report cards after despatch by post. Where report cards have been lost the total marks obtained, but not the details, will be supplied on application.
- Heads of schools or centres are requested to ensure that the examination room is clean, warm and well lit, with a table and chair in the venue for the exams. Noise levels outside the exam room should be kept to a minimum.
- Teachers presenting students with additional educational needs should contact The LSMD office for advice regarding examinations.
- **Please note that any candidates wishing to cancel/postpone their old diploma exam within four weeks of the diploma exam date in December and June sittings will incur a €100 cancellation fee.**



# Notes from The Examiners

**Additional Educational Needs**

Examiners request that teachers consult with the LSMD examiner in advance of the exam regarding any students that may have additional educational needs. Teachers are reminded that The Leinster School of Music & Drama provides a *Participation Certificate* for all candidate with Additional Educational Needs if requested.

**Previous recommendations from the examiners include:**

- Examiners would like to talk to teachers about the timetable etc. prior to exams. When the teacher receives the exam details from us they can contact the examiner so you can co-ordinate the timetable, e.g. if you have given students times. This is to ensure that we all run to the same timetable and hopefully exam times will not run behind and we will keep delays to a minimum.
- Examiners have suggested that their contact details be sent directly to teachers so that the teacher can also contact them directly to discuss the exam timetable and breaks etc. We will endeavour to include this in with the Report Cards cover letter (if the examiner has been confirmed at that stage) or else the examiner will contact the teacher when they have been confirmed for the exams.
- When candidates are visiting another centre for exams it is requested that the candidate arrives fully prepared and the candidates teacher should be in attendance to liaise with the “host teacher” if required. **Teachers are advised that there may be a cost involved (especially of the host teacher is hiring the room by the hour) and if the visiting teacher’s students are doing high grades. Visiting teachers are asked to check this with the host teacher when confirming the exam time with the host teacher.**
- Teachers are advised to choose a varied repertoire when preparing students for exams.
- Examiners have advised that if a candidate does not reach the required standard during the exam, then the examiner will recommend “a deferral” for that candidate. They will be advised on the Report Card that they did not reach the required standard as set out in the LSMD syllabus and they will advise the student to re take the exam on another date.
- Please see further details of this and the LSMD Quality Assurance document on the website.

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