RIANNA JADA HENRIQUES

MPerf, BMus (Hons), DipABRSM

Musical Performance

Flute / Saxophone / Clarinet

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PROFILE

Rianna is a highly motivated woodwind doubler based in South London. She is a successful musician, working as part of several orchestras and bands, amongst performing regularly with well-known artists, such as RAYE, Alicia Keys, Jorja Smith, Craig David, Beverley Knight and Clean Bandit. Rianna currently teaches flute, saxophone and music theory to several pupils, both privately and in schools.

EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS

A recent graduate of the Royal College of Music where she was tutored by Sue Thomas, Gitte Marcusson, Stewart McIlwham, Kyle Horch and Andy Panayi. Previously attended Alleyn's School in Dulwich and the Royal College of Music Junior Department.

Royal College of Music

2025 Summer	Master of Performance	Distinction
2023 Summer	Joint Principal Study Bachelor of Music (Honours) Degree	Upper Second Class Honours (II:1)

The Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music: Graded Exams

2023 Summer	Principals of Alto Saxophone Teaching	DipABRSM (Distinction)
2019 Summer	Theory of Music	Grade 8 (Pass)
2017 Summer	Alto Saxophone	DipABRSM (Pass)
2012 Autumn	Flute	Grade 8 (Distinction)

PRIZES AWARDS & COMPETITIONS

2024 May-July	*Help Musicians Postgraduate, Kathleen Trust* and *Lee Charity of William Hatcliffe* awardee, for the academic year of 24/25
2023 April-June	*Drake Calleja Trust Scholarship, Help Musicians Postgraduate, Sir Richard Stapley Trust, Craxton Memorial Trust* and *Kathleen Trust Postgraduate* awardee, all for the academic year of 23/24
2022 December	Offered a Masters *Entrance Scholarship* by the Royal Academy of Music
2022 August	*Macfarlane Walker Trust Award* for Wiseman London double case
2021 December	*Wolfson Trust Award* – Royal College of Music nominee for new tenor saxophone
2020 April & July	*Royal Philharmonic Society Instrument Grant, and Orpheus Fund* awardee
2019 September	Full *RCM BAME Scholarship* to the Royal College of Music
2019 July	*Sally Wainwright Woodwind Prize, Sarah Markham Saxophone Award* – RCM Junior Department
2012 Sept. & 2019 July	*WJ Smith Trust* music scholar, *Lizbeth Elliott Woodwind Prize* - Alleyn's School

CLASSICAL ORCHESTRAL/ENSEMBLE PERFORMANCES

2026 January	Chineke! Orchestra: An American in Paris – playing alto, tenor and soprano saxophone, at Queen Elizabeth Hall
2023 July	Chineke! Orchestra at the Elbphilharmonie, in Hamburg, for the Schleswig-Holstein Musik Festival
2023 June	Chineke! Orchestra with Craig David, Beverley Knight, Yolanda Brown etc. at the Royal Albert Hall, for the 75th anniversary of Windrush
2023 March	Chineke! Orchestra 2-week tour to Canada and North America
2017 September	London Philharmonic Orchestra Junior Artist Scheme 2018

SOLO PERFORMANCES

2025 May	Flute soloist at the private 200th anniversary event of the National Gallery
2025 April	Flute recital at the Brunel Museum for DEBUT's *Secret Concert Series*
2022-2025	Performed in a public masterclasses with Adam Walker, Gareth Davies and Julien Beaudiment, at the Royal College of Music
2019 May	Performed a concerto (Bizet's *Carmen*) at St John's Smith Square
2018 November	Performed at my own recital at the Royal Albert Hall, Elgar Room

JAZZ & COMMERCIAL PERFORMANCES

2024 Feb. & 2023 Nov.	National Youth Jazz Orchestra commission: arrangement of Ian Carr's, *Roots*, performed with Nikki Yeoh at Ronnie Scott's Jazz Club and Milton Court for the EFG London Jazz Festival
2023 December	Set with the Ibiza Orchestra and Marvin Humes at Bla Bla, in Dubai
2023 October	Lisa Simone and the National Youth Jazz Orchestra at Cadogan Hall – 'Keeper of the Flame': A Daughter's Tribute to Dr Nina Simone
2022-present	Jasmine Myra's jazz band – flute and tenor sax at the Montreux Jazz Festival Residency, Stockholm Jazz Festival, Oslo Jazz Festival, We Out Here, Love Supreme, BBC Radio 3 at the Jazz Café, etc.
2022 May	National Youth Jazz Orchestra X Hermeto Pascoal, at the Barbican Centre

TELEVISION, FASHION & POPULAR MUSIC

2026 October	Played at Raffles OVO London with REMA, alongside the Chineke! Orchestra
2026 June	Played at KOKO Camden with Jon Batiste, alongside the Chineke! Orchestra
2026 February	Tenor saxophonist in Central Cee's ICEMAN FREESTYLE music video
2025 June	Little Simz X Chineke! Orchestra: Meltdown Festival at the Royal Festival Hall
2025 June	J Hus X Chineke! Orchestra: Big Conspiracy anniversary at the Royal Albert Hall
2025 February	Formula 1 75 at the O2 Arena – performing with Tems for Aston Martin, live.
2024 March-present	Became a member of RAYE's band (including BRIT Awards, Capital FM's Summertime Ball, BBC Radio 1's Big Weekend, Jonathan Ross Show)
2023 May	Featured in Netflix's *Queen Charlotte*, playing "If I Ain't Got You" with multi-Grammy winner, Alicia Keys (also released as a new single)
2023 April	Vogue museum shoot with the Chineke! Orchestra, Jorja Smith and Griff
2022 August	Samsung Galaxy Buds 2 Pro advert aired featuring Rianna on saxophone
2022 June	Puma X Liberty London private event - baritone saxophone in all-female band

DANCE & MUSICAL THEATRE

2026 July-September	Reed 1 chair holder, playing flute and alto saxophone, in *Midnight at the Never Get*, starring *Dear Evan Hansen's* Ben Platt
2026 July-present	Reed 1 (flute, alto sax, clarinet) dep on the West End show, *The Producers*
2025 December	Flautist and Ensemble in Factory International's *Faggot's and their Friends between Revolutions* at Park Avenue Armory, in New York
2025 September-October	Woodwind doubling (flute, saxophones and clarinet) in Shakespeare's Globe Theatre's *Trolius & Cressida*
2024 July	The Royal Shakespeare Company's *Pericles* - winds (flute, saxophone, clarinet, percussion) and cover MD at the Swan Theatre in Stratford-upon-Avon and Chicago Shakespeare Theatre
2024 February	Royal College of Music and Rambert Dance School collaboration producing a music and dance showcase at Rambert School's Studio Theatre
2005-2015	Scott and Wiseman School of Dance – ballet, tap and street dance (exams taken)

OUTREACH EXPERIENCE

2023-present	A founding member of the London Philharmonic Orchestra NewGen Board
2018-present	Musician/steward at London Philharmonic Orchestra FUNharmonics events
2019-present	An RCM SPARKS tutor, working with young musicians
2017-2019	Worked at Demelza Hospice as a volunteer, also delving into Music Therapy

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