





THE ACADEMY

Witanhurst House

Set in 5.5 acres atop Highgate Hill, the spectacular £35 million Grade 2 listed Academy has hosted both royalty and musical virtuosos since it was completed in the early 1920's.

Queen Elizabeth II has danced in the ornate ballroom, Yehudi Menuhin has played there when he was a houseguest and the BBC recently filmed *TIPPING THE VELVET* there.

The Academy's neighbours include Sting, Boy George, and George Michael. Previous neighbours have included Samuel Taylor Coleridge, and J.B. Priestly.

Inside the Academy...

The Academy is powered by 850 kilowatts of power, enough to boil half a million kettles at any one time

There is 72 miles of cabling, enough to stretch all the way from the Academy to Brighton

The action at the Academy is followed on 467 television monitors. Stacked on



Summary of Rules for Students

The Academy is a centre of excellence for the students voted in by the public. It is a residential establishment with six teachers and includes performance rooms, a dance studio, communal living room and shared bedrooms for students.

The Academy is run by the following staff: a Head Teacher, 2 Vocal Coaches, a Fitness Coach, a Music Teacher and a Personal Tutor.

If students break the rules, the Head has the discretion to impose disciplinary measures including, in extreme cases, expulsion.

The rules include:

Morning wake-up at 7.30am, lights out at 11pm.

Attendance at all the Academy's classes and personal development periods is compulsory and lateness will not be tolerated.

Smoking is not permitted anywhere inside the Academy building. If the Head deems it to be in the interest of a student's health and quality of performance, they may be asked to stop smoking.

At the discretion of the Head, small quantities of alcohol may be available to students with their evening meal or on special occasions.

The Personal Tutor is available to students as their guardian, friend and counsellor. His door is open at all times. The Personal Tutor does not take part in teaching, nor in the decisions about who should be put on probation.

Students will be allowed one phone call a week, the duration of the call to be decided by the Academy.

Students may receive fan mail, which will be vetted by the teachers and distributed to the students.

A laundry service will be provided. Students must ensure that each item of clothing, including underwear, must be clearly labelled with their names.



STUDENT TIMETABLE

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| 7.30AM | WAKE UP |
| 8.30 – 10.00 | FITNESS WITH KEVIN IN THE DANCE STUDIO |
| 10.00 | SHOWERS |
| 10.00 – 11.30 | FREETIME |
| 11.30 – 13.10 | VOCAL COACHING AND STAGING WITH CARRIE AND DAVID. |
| 13.10 – 14.00 | LUNCH IN THE DINING ROOM |
| 14.00 – 15.30 | SHOW RUN THROUGH IN THE DANCE STUDIO INCLUDING SURVIVAL SPEECHES FOR THOSE ON PROBATION |
| 15.30 – 16.30 | PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT PERIOD / STAFF MEETING IN THE HEADS OFFICE |
| 16.30 – 19.00 | FREETIME |
| 19.00 – 20.00 | DINNER IN THE DINING ROOM |
| 20.00 – 22.30 | GROUP SONGWRITING |
| 23.00 | LIGHTS OUT |



CBBC At The Fame Academy

Jake Humphrey and Holly Willoughby have the best view of goings on at the Academy from the CBBC studio situated in the garden.

Every day they will report live on what the students are up to. CBBC viewers will follow the students through their timetable from the moment they wake up to the last thing they do at night, with all the exercise classes, vocal warm ups and song writing sessions in between.

Academy teachers will visit the CBBC studio daily to give the low-down on how the students are progressing, and there will be a weekly headmaster's report from Richard Park.

There will be daily vox pops from CBBC viewers to find out what they think about the students and the teachers and the chance for viewers to ask the questions that matter to them, give messages of support to those on probation - and of course comment on the tutor's opinions.



CAT DEELEY

Presenter

Biography

Cat currently presents CD:UK every Saturday morning and includes an hour long chart show featuring live performances, videos and exclusive interviews. Previously she co-presented on SM:tv Live with Ant & Dec. The show includes 3 hours of live television along with Celebrity interviews, comedy sketches and live music.

She has just finished presenting the a prime time ITV1 series STARS IN THEIR EYES: KIDS which achieved fantastic ratings.

Earlier in the year she presented COMIC RELIEF DOES FAME ACADEMY with Patrick Kielty, who she also presented FAME ACADEMY with in 2002.

Cat co-presented a weekly show on MTV called HIT LIST with Edith Bowman with whom she also presented Cat and Edith's HIT MUSIC SUNDAY on Capital Radio.

Cat flew out to New York to host an Elton John Special for ITV, where the British public voted for their top 10 songs to be performed live.

Cat was at the helm on many of MTV'S show including several series of the fashion show STYLISSIMO and coverage of the channel's own awards ceremonies, along with live events GIRLS R US; SELECT; WEEKEND EDITION; THE END OF THE YEAR SHOW; THE TURN ON; TUNE IN, CHILL OUT WEEKEND and DANCE FLOOR CHART. She is proving to be a flexible talent, playing an active role in the writing and research of the shows. Other solo presented programmes for ITV include THE LATIN GRAMMIES; WISH YOU WERE HERE; EMA AWARDS; PARTY IN THE PARK and her own show DEELEY DOES featuring WESTLIFE.

So far Cat has won the Body of the Year from Nivea, Woman of the Year and Presenter of the Year 2001 from Maxim and numerous awards for SMTV:LIVE and CD:UK along with Ant and Dec, these include: an RTS award; The People's Choice Award at the Comedy awards; TV QUICK Award; BRIT AWARD (for CD:UK)and a CHILDREN'S BAFTA. Most recently Cat won a BAFTA for Best Presenter.



PATRICK KIELTY

Presenter

Biography

Patrick is currently presenting his own BBC ONE chat show PATRICK KIELTY ALMOST LIVE on Friday nights, which is now in its sixth series. Earlier in the year he presented COMIC RELIEF DOES FAME ACADEMY with Cat Deeley, who he also presented FAME ACADEMY with in 2002.

Patrick Kielty studied psychology at Queen's University in Belfast, during which time he co-opened Belfast's first stand-up comedy club The Empire - spawning a one-off BBC television special THE EMPIRE LAUGHS BACK, RTS Award winner.

Other early television appearances include LOOSE TALK (BBC TWO) and THE STAND-UP SHOW (BBC ONE). In 1993, Patrick presented the teenage

In the summer of 2001 Patrick went live on BBC ONE with his topical Friday night chat show PATRICK KIELTY LIVE from Belfast (Green Inc). And in March 2002 Patrick hosted a new BBC TWO betting quiz show STUPID PUNTS (CHX Productions) and had just finished the second series on BBC Three.



CLAUDIA WINKLEMAN

Presenter – BBC THREE

Biography

Claudia currently presents BBC3's flagship programme LIQUID NEWS and has appeared on NEVER MIND THE BUZZCOCKS on BBC TWO.

In 2001 she presented a six part documentary series for BBC Choice TOILETS produced by Tiger Aspect Productions and hosted the first series of FAN-O-RAMA, a studio based panel show for E4, produced by Channel X.

She has presented CENTRAL WEEKEND LIVE, a live topical studio discussion show for Carlton Television and BBC ONE's HOLIDAY programme where her wicked sense of humour and ascerbic tongue earned her her own spin off programme – an hour long prime time special which took her around the world in 34 days reporting from Japan, India, Costa Rica and Dubai.

Claudia is a regular travel writer for the Sunday Times, Independent and Metro and is a regular contributor to Cosmopolitan.

Claudia graduated from Cambridge University with an MA Hons in History of Art.

Her first child, Jake was born in March 2003.



RICHARD PARK

outstanding contribution to British music. Between 1998 and 2001, Richard was also Chairman of the Prince's Trust 'Party In The Park' committee.





DAVID GRANT

Fame Academy Vocal Coach

Biography

David Grant is the new member of the Academy staff and is vocal coach alongside his wife Carrie after appearing on COMIC RELIEF DOES FAME ACADEMY.

David began his career as a performer with 80s band LINX. The band, which was primarily a partnership between vocalist David and bassist Sketch, were at the fore of Brit-Funk with four top twenty singles YOU'RE LYING, the classic INTUITION, THROW AWAY THE KEY and SO THIS IS ROMANCE coupled with two very successful albums, the silver status INTUITION and GO AHEAD.

The band split in 1983 and David re-emerged as a solo artist with a string of hit singles STOP & GO, WATCHING YOU WATCHING ME and LOVE WILL FIND A WAY which formed the basis of his successful solo album DAVID GRANT.

David's next successes came from a partnership with Jaki Graham that produced their massive hit single COULD IT BE I'M FALLING IN LOVE which took them to number 5 in the charts and was quickly followed with another big hit single - their version of Todd Rundgren's MATED.

Further successes followed with David's CHANGE album on Polydor and the critically acclaimed ANXIOUS EDGE album on Fourth & Broadway that contained the club smash KEEP IT TOGETHER. Throughout this period David was also busy writing hits for other artists including the US smash ONE STEP CLOSER TO YOU for Gavin Christopher, Hot Chocolate's HEARTACHE NO 9 and another big US hit with IF YOU WERE MINE for Cheryl Lynn. He also found time to present TV shows such as RIVERSIDE, CDQ as well as being virtually a resident on Mike Read's POP QUIZ.

In the mid 90's David and his partner Carrie made their highly acclaimed 8STEP CLOOLD VTIOAs being vi-30Channel 4 films3.25 0 th Tc -0.336 Tw () Tj

appearing on COMIC RELIEF DOES FAME ACADEMY and POP IDOL as well as working with numerous of the UK top artists including Will Young and Gareth Gates, whom he also coached through their UK tour, S Club, S Club 8, Take That and The Spice Girls.



KEVIN ADAMS

Fame Academy Fitness Coach

Biography

Kevin Adams has been at the pinnacle of his career for many years and is one of the most respected choreographers in Europe. His range of styles includes Street, Ballet, Jazz, Tap, Locking, Body Popping, Breakdance, Ballroom, Salsa, Pas de Deux, Yoga, Aerobics, Personal Training and Contemporary.

In dance terms, there is nothing this man has not done, including training Ruby Wax, Ulrika Jonsson and John Thomson in COMIC RELIEF DOES FAME ACADEMY in March 2003.

Over the last ten years, he has been the UK and European aerobics champion – as well as being 4th in the World rankings; trained extensively with Paula Abdul in Los Angeles and worked with a truly extraordinary number of artists.

These include Mariah Carey for her 'Honey' album launch; Cher for 'Strong Enough' and her Brit Awards performance of 'Believe'; Steps' sell-out 'Steptacular Tour'; Denise Van Outen for her 'Something For The Weekend' series; Louise for her 'Naked' video; Boyzone's 'Where We Belong' tour; The Spice Girls' Brit Awards performance where Kevin appeared as a dancer; and Eternal for performances at Party In The Park and the Smash Hits Poll Winners' Party.

He has recently worked with Helen Adams from Big Brother 2 on her fitness video and Jade Goody from Big Brother 3.



JEREMY MILNES

Fame Academy Personal Tutor

Biography

Jeremy has recently presented BBC Three's THE BACHELOR after his success in FAME ACADEMY in 2002. He is also the presenter of THE TEST (ITV) and co-



JO NOEL

Fame Academy Music Teacher

Biography

Jo has been learning and performing music since the age of 3 and has an Honours Degree in Music from Elder Conservatorium, South Australia.

She has worked professionally in the music and entertainment industry for the past 15 years, working as a musician, composer, conductor, arranger, vocal coach, singer, producer and director.

As a Music Coach, Jo has worked with many artists including 911, Spice Girls, Mel B, and Damage as well as being Music Teacher for FAME



HOLLY WILLOUGHBY

Presenter CBBC

Biography

Holly is currently co-presenter of *X-CHANGE* on the CBBC Channel and is also filming CBBC's *CALL THE SHOTS*.

She presented CBBC's coverage of the first series of *FAME ACADEMY* and





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INITIAL (PART OF ENDEMOL UK)

Emmy Award winning INITIAL (part of Endemol UK) is producing Fame Academy for the BBC. The company has driven music and events programming in the UK and its programmes have been seen in over 100 countries.

It's portfolio of live events and music television include THE ORANGE BRITISH ACADEMY FILM AWARDS (BBC 1), PARTY IN THE PARK (Five), THE BRIT AWARDS 1993-2000 (ITV) and the recent worldwide webcast of JK ROWLING AT THE ROYAL ALBERT HALL for her record-breaking bestseller Harry Potter And The Order Of The Phoenix.

In October Initial is set to bring the worlds of fashion and music under one roof in an explosive international event - FASHION ROCKS (Channel 4). The company has also produced THE VOICE (Channel 4) – a landmark three-part special that journeys through the greatest vocal talents ever.

INITIAL also has a growing portfolio of popular documentaries including THE BIG FANTASY – coming soon on Sky One, and COSMOPOLITAN'S 50 WAYS TO PLEASE A MAN 50 WAYS TO PLEASE A WOMAN – a two part special for Five. Also for Five are three documentaries charting the stories behind this year's biggest summer blockbusters - The Hulk, Terminator 3 and Charlie's Angels 2.

INITIAL is also behind a slate of youth programmes including XPERIMENTAL for CBBC; THE ELIMINATOR (CITV) and the forthcoming reality entertainment series THE AGENTS (CBBC) featuring FAME ACADEMY vocal coach Carrie Grant. Previous youth credits include BBC 1's pop music dramas MIAMI 7 and LA 7 (featuring S Club 7) - which became the UK's number one kids' shows and were major international hits.

Over the years INITIAL has worked with nearly every major international music artist in the world - from Elton John, Madonna, David Bowie, Paul McCartney and Michael Jackson to U2, Robbie Williams and Travis.

The company is part of the ENDEMOL UK group – one of the UK's leading producers of entertainment formats for the worldwide market and behind some of the biggest hits to come out of the UK.

The group is dedicated to ideas that work across a variety of media and incorporates three other production arms – ENDEMOL UK PRODUCTIONS,

BRIGHTER PICTURES and ZEPPOTRON. Other credits include the BAFTA winning productions of BIG BROTHER (Channel 4; E4).