

**Recorder Society of Long Island  
Special Spring Workshop for Intermediate Players  
with Rachel Begley**



**Saturday April 7, 2018  
9:30am-4:30pm**

**Full-day recommended - Half-day subject to availability**

This special workshop, led by RSLI's Music Director, Rachel Begley, is aimed specifically at players who consider themselves intermediate players (both upper and lower). If you play at least two sizes of recorder (regardless of comfort level on each), and enjoy RSLI playing meetings or other workshops, but struggle with more challenging pieces, this workshop is for you! A desire to improve and enjoy playing more is essential!

The focus of this workshop will be maximizing your recorder ensemble experience. This workshop aims to help you use the skills you have (including those you don't know you have!) so that you play better and enjoy playing with others more. In addition, it will also help you to understand and begin to acquire the skills to reach the next level of ensemble playing. Among topics we will address:

- The challenges of playing ensemble music, including following a conductor or other players, ensemble intonation and other listening skills, keeping in time, playing one to a part, survival skills when the music is over your head, and what to do when lost
- The challenges of playing from notated music, including sight-reading, rhythm including more complex patterns, playing in "cut-time" (with a half-note beat), hemiolas, playing from parts and scores, and handling and gaining familiarity with music with rhythmically independent parts
- The challenges of playing recorders, including knowledge of fingerings, switching instruments and clefs, playing "alto up", playing details notated in the music, and unique technical issues for specific instruments

*Please note that basic technical skills are not the focus of this workshop, though may be touched upon as needed.*

Our workshops attract players from around the region, and beyond! If you're not sure if this workshop is for you, **PLEASE ASK!** Above all, the workshop is aimed at giving you greater confidence and ease at playing meetings and workshops, as well as in groups you play in.

Registration is limited to no more than 12 players, to enable personal attention.

## Location

The workshop will take place at RSLI's regular meeting place: St Luke Lutheran Church (education building), 20 Candlewood Path, Dix Hills, NY 11746. For those unfamiliar with this location, it is 1 mile from both Exit 51 on the Long Island Expressway and Exit 42 on the Northern State Parkway.

**\*\*\*To get to the workshop using public transportation, the nearest LIRR station is Huntington, an easy 1-hour ride from Penn Station. We can arrange pick-up from the station prior to the workshop and drop-off afterward.\*\*\***

Workshop Schedule		Workshop Fee	
9:30	Registration and set-up	<b>RSLI Members</b>	<b>Non-Members</b>
10:00	Class 1	Full Day \$70	Full Day \$75
11:15	Break	Half Day \$45	Half Day \$50
11:45	Class 2	Late Registration (7 days or less prior to workshop): \$10 additional	
1:00	Lunch	If you would like to audit, please contact us.	
1:45	Class 3	<i>Partial scholarships available in cases of need. Please note on your registration form if you would like assistance.</i>	
3:00	Brief break		
3:15	Class 4		
4:30	Pack-up and farewell		

Coffee & snacks will be provided. Bring your instruments, your lunch, a music stand, a pencil, and a smile. We also encourage open minds, together with generous reserves of enthusiasm, courage and energy!

Questions? Email RSLI's Music Director at [rachelbegleyrecorder@yahoo.com](mailto:rachelbegleyrecorder@yahoo.com)

**We encourage early registration, so that music can be chosen with YOU in mind!**

✂-----

## Spring Intermediate Workshop 2018

Please make checks payable to RSLI, and mail together with this form to:  
Kara Kvilekval, 13 Old Field Road, E. Setauket, NY 11733

We will email you a questionnaire about your playing experience and workshop goals upon receipt.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

If you are only able to attend for a half-day, please indicate which: **MORNING** **AFTERNOON**  
Full-day registration gets priority.

Do you need transportation from Huntington LIRR station?