

# Nyckelharpa-making Workshop

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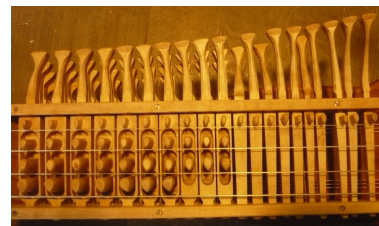
**Dates** : Monday 17<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2015

**Location** Le Gamounet 40 rue de la République 63200 Saint-Bonnet-Près-Riom France

The purpose of the workshop is to make a nyckelharpa, a Swedish keyed fiddle. It can be equipped with a two-row keyboard (D - A) and a drone (G) to be tuned with a small wooden key (capo), or a four-row keyboard (C - G - D/C - A). I adapted the shape so that non professional people can make the instrument in a relatively short time, that is to say more or less 10 days. A kit will be provided with already roughed out parts.



2 rows and a drone



4 rows

## A short outline of the contents of the workshop

- Preparing the pre-cut neck, drilling the holes for the mechanics (mandolin mechanics), fastening on to the mould
- Preparing the heel (the wooden bottom piece), fitting it to the mould then fastening it
- Preparing and scraping the ribs, bending them on a folding iron then fastening the counter ribs, assembling them on an inner mould and glueing them on the head and the heel, bending and fastening the counter ribs
- Tracing, cutting, fitting the top, cutting the sound holes, glueing the top on the rib crown
- Tracing, cutting and fitting the bottom, glueing it on the rib crown
- Sanding, finishing, staining and polishing the body
- Fitting and assembling the pre-cut keyboard
- Making the nut, the bridge and the tailpiece
- Assembling the various parts on the body
- Stringing the instrument and tuning the keyboard

*The instructions will be given in French*

The rate for the session is 1,750 €.

It includes tuition fees, equipment fees (bow included), three meals a day (in case of a special diet, please let us know), on-site accommodation (usually in two or three-bedded rooms).

If accommodation for a couple is needed, please specify the last name.

A deposit of 150 € is mandatory to confirm your application and for me to order materials. The deposit is typically non-refundable if the participant cancels at short notice, but consideration for a refund would be given under extreme circumstances (i.e. family emergency).

Payment can be made by bank transfer

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**Please send me an email for any questions regarding the instrument or the making process.**

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