Gary Schocker is a world-renowned flutist as well as an award-winning composer with over 100 works in publication. He is the most published living composer of music for the flute in the world. His engagements have included performances with the New York Philharmonic, the Philadelphia Orchestra, the Dallas Symphony, the West German Sinfonia, an extended tour with 1 Solisti Italiani and solo recitals in New York, Cleveland, Detroit, Philadelphia, Boston, San Francisco, and Washington, D.C. He has toured and taught throughout the United States, and internationally in Japan, Colombia, Panama, Canada, Australia, Taiwan, Germany, France and Italy.

The master class will be conducted as a series of open lessons. Mr. Schocker’s teaching is highly individualized. He is able to pinpoint how people play, physically, and offer other specific options for exploration to enhance performance. His work as a composer has enhanced his ability to understand musical construction which he also discusses and demonstrates.

Gary Schocker is a longtime student of the Alexander Technique, as well as other mind/body methods, and applies his own experience to his flute teaching. His approach is positive and encouraging. This class will be of interest to traditional students, as well as longtime teachers and performers who may be interested in exploring a different approach to making music. The weekend will be limited to 18 performers. For further information, please visit www.garyschocker.com.

Alexander Technique Workshop Teacher
Bill Connington is a certified teacher of the Alexander Technique with over 20 years experience. He is the former chairman of the board of The American Center for the Alexander Technique, and co-author of “The Alexander Technique” published by HarperCollins. He is a former faculty member of The Juilliard School, The Actors Studio Drama School at New School University, and NYU’s Tisch School of the Arts. He specializes in working with performing artists, and is a graduate of The London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art. Mr. Connington is in private practice in New York.

Class Director
Julie Martyn-Baker is the Associate Director of Bands and Flute Instructor at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, New York. She has studied flute and piano for several years with Gary Schocker and is his manager.

To contact Ms. Baker, telephone 845-227-2706 or e-mail JulieMB@Prodigy.net.

Class Information
Class begins on Friday with dinner at 6 p.m. Class ends on Sunday at 3:00 p.m.

Course includes • Traditional master class flute instruction
  • Performance by Mr. Schocker
  • Duets with Mr. Schocker
  • Workshop on Alexander Technique
  • Kripalu yoga with meditation and relaxation
  • Playing through Mr. Schocker’s compositions with him accompanying on piano

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Repertory Any flute repertoire is acceptable for the class. Mr. Schocker’s works are especially welcome.

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Registration is due by January 10, 2007
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Private lessons with Mr. Schocker and Mr. Connington are available at the class for an additional fee; please contact the class director to arrange for time(s).

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Master Class Application

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Resident
❑ Performer (include recording)  ❑ Auditor

If you have performed at a previous master class or had a lesson with Mr. Schocker, a recording is not necessary. Please list the approximate date and location of your previous performance or lesson.

❑ Please send $75 deposit with application.

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