



Charles Tunnell

Charles Tunnell studied cello at the Royal College of Music with Harvey Phillips and later at the Paris Conservatoire with André Navarra. Several coveted prizes followed, including the Silver Medal of the Worshipful Company of Musicians and the Queen's Prize for String Players.

As Principal Cellist with the English Chamber Orchestra from 1975 until 2001 he has with the orchestra as soloist at home and abroad, both in the concert hall and on many highly acclaimed recordings.

He has always had a great interest in chamber music and, with his brother and sister, formed the highly successful Tunnell Piano Trio. He was also a member of the Melos Ensemble of London.

Charles works regularly with young musicians, both in Britain and Spain. He is very involved, as artistic advisor, with the Tunnell Trust which sponsors young chamber ensembles and in 1988 was appointed Cello Professor of the Joven Orquesta Nacional de Espana and Professor at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama in London. From 2001 until 2011 Charles was Professor of Cello and Chamber Music at the brand new Escola Superior de Musica de Catalunya in Barcelona.