

DAVIES, OLIVER (fl. c. 1820), harpist

Name: Oliver Davies
Gender: Male
Occupation: harpist
Area of activity: Music; Performing Arts
Author: Robert David Griffith

Born at Montgomery. He was the principal harpist at the Welshpool eisteddfod in 1824 and in the Cymmrodorion eisteddfod in London, 6 May 1829, when his skill on the pedal harp caused a sensation. He also appeared at the eisteddfod held in London in 1831. In *Y Cymmrodor*, i, **Bardd Alaw** (John Parry, 1776 - 1851), writing on the 'Cambrian Pedal Harp,' refers to him as follows: 'This harp will be introduced at the anniversary meeting of the Royal Cambrian Institution, on the 22 May next (1822), and played by a young musician of the name of Davies, who promises to become a first rate performer.'

Author

Robert David Griffith, (1877 - 1958)

Sources

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