

Friends & Volunteers of the Sheffield Music Hub Newsletter



January 2021

Annual General Meeting

The Friends and Volunteers are a registered charity that supports the amazing work of Sheffield Music Hub. Our AGM took place on 10 July 2020 virtually. The Chair and the Treasurer presented their reports. The minutes, the Chair's and Treasurer's report can be found [here](#)

Committee Members – Changes

We had one Committee member resign - Sophie Milner. We would like to thank Sophie for her fantastic contribution, time and commitment as Secretary and committee member. Although Sophie won't be on the committee any more she is going to stay involved with the Friends and Volunteers.

We would also like to welcome new members, Kate Whittaker, Sarah Briggs and Audrey Foster, who were voted in to join the committee. Kate Whittaker has also taken on the role of Secretary.

We are always keen to welcome new people to join the Friends and Volunteers. Anyone interested can help out whenever and however they can. This could be:

- supporting at Music Hub concerts or rehearsals,
- improving Friends and Volunteers communications by posting on social media (Facebook; Twitter etc) on the charity's behalf,
- running fund raising events in your local community,
- at home cataloguing and selling pre-loved music books on eBay,
- any other fundraising ideas you'd like to suggest and deliver.

For further information on how to get involved, please contact us on smhfriendsandvolunteers@gmail.com

To find out about us please visit our webpage

<https://www.sheffieldmusicHub.org/pages/meet-the-volunteer-team>



Family Virtual Quiz

We are organising a fun, family, virtual quiz to raise money for the 'Furthering Talent Programme'. Come and join the fun, the quiz **will start at 7pm on 18 February 2021**. All you need is a laptop / PC with internet access to take part..

The quiz is open to all who are interested, so please do share this with your family and friends. You can enter individually or as a team, and team names are certainly encouraged! To join:

1. **Register** at <https://forms.gle/35TQWm56vp9pKm4g8>
2. **Make a donation** via our JustGiving page, <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/julie-justice>

Participant numbers are limited, and priority will be given to those who donate: **ANY AMOUNT**, however small, will secure your entry to the quiz (but big amounts are also welcome for this wonderful cause!!). We will send more details nearer the date. There will be great prizes kindly donated by Sainsbury's!

Any problems or queries, please contact us at smhfriendsandvolunteers@gmail.com - Julie Justice/Kate Whittaker.

We look forward to seeing you on 18th February!

HUBFEST MOMENTUM 2021

HubFest 2020 event in July 2020 was put on hold because of COVID. The money raised for this event will now be used for Hubfest Momentum 2021.

Hubfest MOMENTUM 2021 will empower 23 young female and non-binary identifying bands and artists to take their music making to the next level. It will provide bespoke mentoring, masterclasses, support and amazing performance opportunities to put underrepresented young people right at the heart of the Sheffield music scene.

Alongside the amazing opportunity for young musicians, Hubfest is also about creating an opportunity for 17 professional artists to mentor, inspire and pass on valuable knowledge and experience to the next generations of music makers. The mentoring team has received training and guidance on effective ways to mentor and support young people keeping their ideas and needs central to the process.

The project started in January 2021. The 23 artists will receive:

Mentoring – Young artists will be paired with a professional mentor who will provide support, encouragement and insight into the music industry over a 6 month period.

Masterclasses – They will have access to a masterclass series led by amazing professional artists. These will include sessions on:

Peer Support – They will take part in virtual meet ups with other Momentum musicians to share work in progress and create a network community of young artists.

Showcase – The project will culminate in a festival at The Leadmill in July 2021 and the opportunity to showcase their talents on BBC Music Introducing Sheffield.

HELP US Raise £20K!

Our next and only funding raising campaign this year is the Musical Stars – Furthering Talent programme, which aims to overcome barriers that prevent children and young people from spreading their musical wings, making music more accessible to all.

The Friends and Volunteers have set a funding target of £20,000 to contribute to this vital programme. Sheffield Music Hub plan to recruit 30 children on the programme this year, who will be offered:

- a 30-minute weekly specialist 1-to-1 lesson
- free instrument hire if needed
- a place in an appropriate music group
- dedicated time for a tutor to offer guidance and support children pastorally with their musical journey

We have already agreed to fund £13,300 and secured 2 grants. A big thank you to The Church Burgesses Educational Foundation - £2,000 and Sheffield Grammar School Exhibition Foundation £2,000. **But we now need your help to raise more and reach our target!**

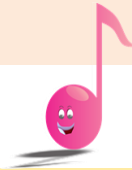
To find out more about this programme, check out:

<https://www.sheffieldmusichub.org/pages/musical-stars-programme>

To donate:

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/SMH-Musical-Stars-2020-21>

A big thank you for your continued support



Up and coming events to Support (this school term)

- Thursday 18 February 2021 7pm – Family Virtual Quiz

How funds have been spent



- Bought 37 new Xylophones for use in schools and for staff training at a cost of £1650
- Supporting Hubfest 2020 Now Hubfest Momentum 2021
- Shotgun Project £500
- Flute Assemble Music £33.48

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We are a registered charity and are run by a group of volunteers in the form of a committee, which includes parents / carers; guardians; and Music Hub Staff. The Group meets regularly in the evenings and everyone is welcome to attend.

