Friends & Volunteers of the Sheffield Music Hub Newsletter

February 2025

Thank you to everyone for all their help over the past few months, and a warm welcome to the new volunteers who have joined us recently.

Committee Members

Rosie Lockwood has now stepped down as a trustee – sincere thanks to Rosie for her invaluable contribution and support over the last couple of years.

We now need your help to recruit a new Sheffield Music Hub Friends and Volunteers Trustee to join our committee and help manage and organise events of the charity on behalf of its members. Interested? Email us at smhfriendsandvolunteers@gmail.com.

We'd love to have you on board! Find out more about what we do and who's who on our Trustee team.

Could you be a volunteer?

You don't need to be a trustee to contribute! If you'd like to help with concerts, rehearsals, or fundraising events, email us at: smhfriendsandvolunteers@gmail.com

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

This year's AGM is on **Monday 28 April 2025** at Red Tape Studios at 6pm.

Everybody is welcome to attend. Please come and join us to celebrate our achievements over the last year.

The Chair and the Treasurer will present their reports, any new committee members will be voted in and any resignations will be accepted.

Nominate a charity for the £1,000 donation draws (Benefact Group)

Please nominate us to be in with a chance to win £1,000! You can <u>click on this link to the Benefact Group website</u> and enter 1003611 - FRIENDS AND VOLUNTEERS OF SHEFFIELD MUSIC HUB in charity name. One nomination = one entry in the draw. It only takes a minute. The more nominations the more chances. Thank you 4 4

Volunteers to help at the Spring Musical Showcase 2025

We need help to scan tickets, serve refreshments and sell brochures during the week of fantastic Spring Musical Showcase concerts that will take place each evening from Monday 24 March to Friday 28 March at Victoria Hall.

We also plan to hold a **bake sale** every evening during the interval. If you can make or donate cakes or buns to help raise valuable funds for the charity, please let us know by email: smhfriendsandvolunteers@gmail.com. We look forward to your delicious contributions!

Please look out for our letter regarding the purchasing of advertising space in the souvenir brochure. It is a great opportunity for local businesses to advertise to the local community. We sold over 500 copies of the brochure reaching around 1500 people last year. To register an interest <u>Click here</u>

If you can help at any of the days of the Spring Musical Showcase, please email us to let us know and we will come back to you: smhfriendsandvolunteers@gmail.com

Fund raising for Sheffield Music Hub in 2025

The Sheffield Music Hub Inclusivity Strategy builds on their ambition to develop an inclusive educational culture where all children and young people are valued and recognised for their unique qualities, ideas, voices, and perspectives.

The Friends and Volunteers have a Just Giving campaign to raise money to help support the SMH inclusivity strategy, including the:

- purchase of steel pans, sticks and stands so SMH can set up a weekly steel pan group that will be accessible to all children regardless of previous musical experience
- funding of places on the Young Sounds UK Connect Programme
- funding of free places in SMH groups for children and young people in receipt of free school meals

We'll be continuing to raise money for this campaign throughout 2025

To donate:

https://www.justgiving. com/campaign/smhinclusivity or use this QR code:



A big thank you for your continued support

<u>How funds have been collected</u> <u>between June 2024 and December</u> 2024

June 24 - Collections at end of year concerts - £1.453.67

July 2024 - Sales of pre-loved music - £19.66

December 2024 - Concert collections - £443.37

How funds have been spent between June 2024 and December 2024

June -24 – Flute music – **£14.30** June -24 – Music for festival band –

£90.13

Jul-24 – Drummer fee reimbursement – **£225**

E-mail:

smhfriendsandvolunteers@gmail.com

Twitter: @smhfriendsandv1

Facebook: @SMHFriendsVolunteers

Friends & Volunteers - Registered Charity Number: 1003611

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.

