



Friends & Volunteers of the Sheffield Music Hub Newsletter



September 2019



The Friends and Volunteers

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.

Our aim is to act as a support group to Sheffield Music Hub, providing practical and financial

assistance aimed at increasing and improving opportunities for young people in and around Sheffield to learn music and participate in ensembles.

We work closely in partnership with the Sheffield Music Hub to ensure that the funds raised are used to their full potential and directed to where they are needed

Update

This year's AGM was on 7 March 2019 and the votes were cast for the new officer holders. We are pleased to announce Julie Justice as Chair; Niven Padgett as Treasurer and Sophie Milner as Secretary. To find out about them please visit our webpage <https://www.sheffieldmusicHub.org/pages/meet-the-volunteer-team>

Anyone who is interested in joining the Friends and Volunteers can help out whenever and however they can. It 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 or selling pre-loved music books on ebay. For further information on how to get involved, please contact us on smhfriendsandvolunteers@gmail.com

Design a Logo Competition!

The Friends and Volunteers of the Music Hub haven't got a logo to display on communication that we send out. We want something that represents what we stand for and reflects what we do. We thought who better to design this than the children who help raise and benefit from the funds. Look out for the entry form which will be handed out week commencing 7 October 2019. Deadline for all entries is 15 November 2019.



Sheffield – Run for All 10k – 22 September 2019

Twenty staff, parents and supporters of the Sheffield Music Hub recently formed a running Samba Band to take part in the Sheffield 10k to raise money for Hubfest 2020.

This event attracts hundreds of runners with the route skirting Endcliffe Park before heading back into the City Centre. The runners were supported by the Hub's very own Youth Samba Band who played from a prominent position on Ecclesall Road to entertain and spur on all the runners.

The first Hubfest in 2018 was a ground-breaking, unifying and uplifting event, commended by the Music Education Council for what it achieved in promoting musical diversity and inclusion. It was so good the Music Hub want to do it again. BUT - it costs money, and lots of it. So, the running samba band were seeking sponsorship to help make Hubfest 2020 happen.

It is still not too late to support Hubfest 2020. To donate please go to

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/hubfest2>

and to see just how great Hubfest 2018 was, check out <https://www.flickr.com/photos/sheffieldmusicub/albums> or [Hubfest YouTube](#)



Sheffield Youth Samba Band set to Grow – Crowdfunding Campaign launched

The Friends and Volunteers, together with The Sheffield Music Hub have applied for funding via the Arts Council's "Our Music Crowd" fund to buy samba drums and carry out workshops in schools, so even more of Sheffield's young people will be able to experience the joy of carnival, with the sounds, movement and fun of playing in a Samba Band.

On 9 September 2019 we launched a crowdfunding campaign under which supporters' pledges will be matched by the Arts Council.

If target funds of £6,319 are raised by 2 December, the project will buy drums, beaters, tambours and t-shirts, allowing the Youth Samba Band to double in size. The project will reach out into schools and community groups with Samba workshops and have-a-go taster sessions to inspire young people to find out more, develop their samba skills or even join the band.

To support and pledge visit; <https://www.spacehive.com/samba-for-sheffield>

Pledges will only be charged if the project hits its funding goal of £6,319 by 2 December 2019

A big thank you for your continued support

Up and coming events to Support (this school term)

- 2 December 2019
Crowdfunding deadline
- 4 December 2019
Christmas Jazz & SYBB Concert – Forge Valley School –7:15pm
Need volunteers for Front of House
- 11 December 2019
Specialist Groups' Winter Concert – The Church of St Mark's Broomhill
Need volunteers for Front of House and Refreshments
- 17 December 2019
Music Hub's Christmas Extravaganza Concert – Cathedral. Need Volunteers for Refreshments

How funds have been spent

- £700 pledge to the Samba for Sheffield project (see opposite) which will buy new instruments and deliver samba workshops in schools
- Bought 37 new Xylophones for use in schools and for staff training at a cost of £1650
- Musical Stars Programme includes free lessons, instrument hire and music group place (a full year funding) for children who missed out on the Awards for Young Musicians Scheme - £8,000
- Supporting Hubfest 2020 (see above)

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