



**LIVE
MUSIC
NOW**

**INSPIRING MUSICIANS
TRANSFORMING LIVES**

- Participatory concerts
- Creative music projects
- Musicians-in-Residence
- Staff CPD

WORKING WITH CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN SPECIAL SCHOOLS

Engaging musical experiences for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). Our music ranges from classical, folk, jazz to world and is delivered in your school by trained professional musicians at the outset of their careers.



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HOW MUSIC HELPS

Participation in regular music-making has been proven to make a major contribution to children's education, and social and personal development in areas including:

- Language and Communication: exploring and expressing feelings
- Behavioural, Emotional and Social: improving mood, developing listening skills, increasing social interaction and confidence
- Cognitive: improving concentration and memory
- Physical: encouraging intentional movement, developing motor skills.

For children with SEN and disabilities, the benefits are heightened, transcending barriers to communication by offering a unique means of self-expression and engagement.

““ There was superb interaction with the pupils – the musicians used very effective visual stimuli and encouraged the pupils to touch their instruments.”



OUR DISTINCTIVE APPROACH

Live Music Now is one of few specialist organisations to offer tailored music activities in special schools and units across the UK.

We select and train the most talented musicians emerging into the music profession, choosing those that demonstrate the potential to engage participants in a meaningful way.

During their 4-6 years on the scheme, we enhance their skills, equipping them to deliver interactive performances and workshops focused on the needs and enjoyment of pupils.

WHAT CAN LMN OFFER YOUR SCHOOL?

PARTICIPATORY CONCERTS

Bring the inspiration of a professional performance direct to your school. LMN concerts offer an inclusive whole-school activity with participation through singing, movement and musical games. Musicians move amongst the audience so pupils can experience the thrill of instruments being played at close hand. Book a single concert or plan a series of performances throughout the year to widen pupils' cultural experience.

CREATIVE MUSIC PROJECTS

Build pupils' confidence, communication skills and teamwork through a creative music project. Pupils work in small groups with LMN musicians to create their own music, culminating in a performance or recording to celebrate pupils' achievements. Options include:

- **LMN Music Week** – intensive week-long residency with an LMN ensemble
- **LMN Mini Residency** – weekly visits over a term or half-term

MUSICIAN-IN-RESIDENCE PROGRAMME

Adopt a friendly LMN musician to deliver small group and one-to-one sessions on a weekly basis, drawing out important responses from pupils. Designed in partnership with your teaching staff, the programme can help support pupils' Individual Learning Plans. Build in a termly concert performed by a visiting LMN group and staff CPD to widen the scope of the programme.

“The concert provided a wonderful social and socialising opportunity for all our children with autism.”



ABOUT LIVE MUSIC NOW

Live Music Now is a UK-wide charity set up in 1977 by renowned violinist, Yehudi Menuhin. The charity retains his original aims of offering the benefits of live music to those with least access to it, and supporting and further developing talented professional musicians at the start of their careers. Each year, LMN delivers around 2,500 music sessions in community settings across the UK.

FURTHER INFORMATION

To discuss a programme tailored to the needs of your school, please email send@livemusicnow.org or telephone 020 7014 2829. Please contact us if you'd like a large print version of this leaflet. Am fesiwn Gymraeg o'r daflen hon cysylltwch â wales@livemusicnow.org, 02920 554040.

WHAT'S THE COST?

The full costs range from £280 for a one-hour participatory concert by a duo, to £500 for a full day of concerts and workshops, and £4,500 for a year-long Musician-in-Residence programme (includes 27 half day visits by an LMN musician working with small groups and one-to-one, a termly LMN concert for the whole school and a CPD session).

We work with schools to look at budgets and project options. Some schools fund LMN activity as part of their School Development Plan, for example where there is a focus on promoting pupils' communication skills, or through CPD budgets. Sometimes we find ways to subsidise our activities with support from charitable trusts and sponsors which reduces the cost to schools. We can provide materials to help schools with their own fundraising for our activities.

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