



Music Man Project

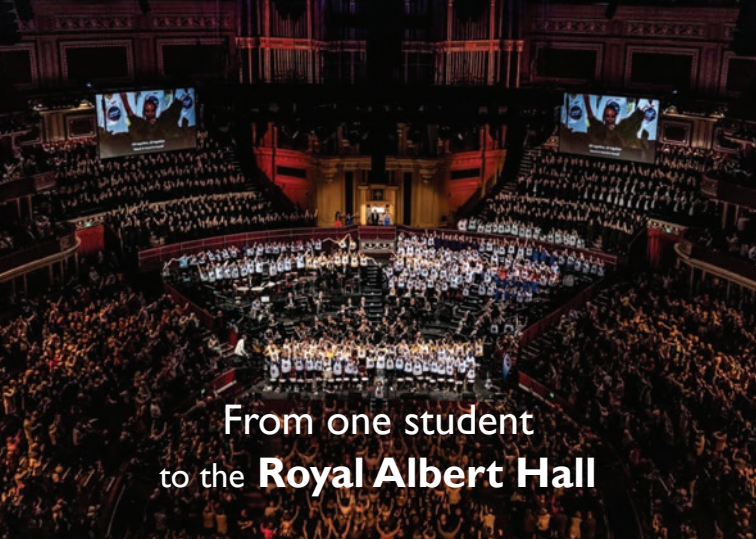
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Direct from the London Palladium and Royal Albert Hall, award-winning and world record-breaking musicians with learning disabilities welcome you to our musical family.

The Music Man Project is an international music education service for children and adults with learning disabilities, providing accessible music tuition leading to inspirational performances.

Run by volunteers, the charity gives grants for accessible arts education, promotes equal access to performance, carries out research and raises awareness of the achievements of disadvantaged people in the arts.





From one student to the **Royal Albert Hall**

The Music Man Project was founded in 1999 by charity CEO and Churchill Fellow, David Stanley. He taught the song *I am the Music Man* to a friend with Down's Syndrome and established a weekly Music School with local charity, Southend Mencap. He promised his students that one day they would play the Royal Albert Hall. 20 years later, 200 Music Man Project students from across the UK performed *Music is Magic* at the Royal Albert Hall to an audience of 3000 people, supported by massed choirs, orchestra and celebrity guests. It was the largest ever celebration of accessible music-making in the country.

A **Guinness World Record** at the **London Palladium**



The Music Man Project has performed two *Sunday Night at the London Palladium* variety concerts. The first featured an original musical called *From the Asylum to the Palladium* in which the students told their journey from isolated patients in mental hospitals to stars of the West End. In the second they broke the Guinness World Record for the largest ever

triangle ensemble, reaching 1521 triangles with the help of a capacity audience and a member of the Royal Family.



3 is the **Magic Number!**

Three Music Man Project students opened the National Lottery's 25th birthday TV advert. They were an instant hit with everyone involved in the production, from the casting agents to the acclaimed director, Michael Gracey (*The Greatest Showman*). Their performance brought the Music Man Project to millions of people.



Musical Role Models for **10,000 School Children**

The Music Man Project delivers inspirational performance workshops to mainstream Primary School pupils, taught by leading musicians with a learning disability. Over 10,000 children have learned diversity awareness and acceptance by singing, signing, playing and dancing with the famous Music Man Project Student Ambassadors.

A Global Music Community

The Music Man Project has launched regional teaching hubs in counties across England and in every nation of the UK. It has reached communities thousands of miles away in South Africa, India, Nepal, USA and the Philippines. Regional projects are officially licenced for free, enabling them to use The Music Man Project brand and to access exclusive music, teaching resources and performance opportunities.

The Music Man Project explores how far the universal language of music can be used to free the constraints placed on people with a learning disability across the world, joining them together through song, country by country.



Churchill Fellowship in New York

David Stanley was awarded a prestigious Churchill Fellowship from the Winston Churchill Memorial Trust in 2019, enabling him to research music education and performance for people with learning-disabilities in New York. His report made 11 recommendations to raise awareness, enhance provision and increase impact across the UK, and provides the foundation for a UK/US transatlantic partnership for Special Needs Music Education. He started 'The Music Man Project New York' and established links with Special Needs music providers in America, such as the inspirational Daniel's Music Foundation in East Harlem.

Awards and Praise for The Music Man Project

2020 Winner	Danny Award in New York
2019 Winner	Lions International Award for Outstanding Service to the Community
2017 Finalist	Music Teacher Award for Excellence
2016 Winner	Kids Count Inspiration Award for Most Inspired Creative Contribution
2015 Finalist	Music Teacher Award for Excellence

"Inspirational. The best feedback I've ever had back from staff let alone children" **Southend Music Education Hub**

"The most worthwhile use of my song I could imagine"
Kimberley Rew (composer of Love Shine A Light)

"Exceptional opportunities for pupils" **HMI, OFSTED**

"The most joyous time we've ever had. They spent their life being told to be quiet" **DIYA Foundation, India**

"Thrilling and moving" **Jonny Ball**

"Truly inspiring, joyous, warm and engaging" **Royal College of Music**

"A wonderful music education service" **UK Prime Minister**

Academic Research at the Finest Music Conservatoire in the World

The Music Man Project is at the centre of ground-breaking PhD research by Music Man Project Director, Natalie Bradford at the Royal College of Music. Natalie's study into the effect of active music participation on the well-being of adults with Down's Syndrome provides empirical evidence of the potential benefits that music education and performance can offer; whatever the level of musical appreciation or ability.



Music is Magic on **Broadway**



The Music Man Project aims to follow in the footsteps of the world's greatest stars on Broadway!

The New York concert tour will feature musicians with disabilities from both sides of the Atlantic performing brand-new repertoire from the Music Man Project Songbook and highlights from three ground-breaking original musicals, direct from the London Palladium and Royal Albert Hall.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

How **You** can Support

- Bank Transfer
- Website:
www.themusicmanproject.com/product/donate/
- Cheque made payable to 'The Music Man Project'
- Just Giving
- Charities Aid Foundation

Please contact David Stanley on 07786 864853 to discuss sponsorship opportunities.

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