

What's Next?



So maybe you've explored at Music Makers or perhaps you've jammed at Be Hear Now – what's next? The information below should highlight what else is out there to keep that love of music going. A big thank you to Sarah Atter for her help coordinating these resources.

Music Education Hubs

The Music Hubs are the best place to start when it comes to music education near you. They offer instrumental lessons, curriculum support, ensembles, instrument hire, and can signpost to a range of workshops and performances. The Hubs are also best placed to recommend local teachers and lessons. They should also be able to advise on local music shops and recommended retailers of instruments.

Greater Manchester Music Hub

www.gmmusichub.co.uk
01204 333533

Manchester Music Hub

www.myhub.org.uk
0844 967 1111

Lancashire Music Hub

www.lancashiremusichub.co.uk
01257 234450

Warrington and Halton

www.warrington.gov.uk/music-schools
0161 775 8705

Local Organisations

The Bridgewater Hall - Every season we plan several longer-term projects for schools who are interested in becoming more deeply involved in music development. This could be through pre-concert talks with leading composers, watching world class orchestras perform or taking part in music production workshops. If you're interested in finding out more drop us a line at learning@bridgewater-hall.co.uk.

Chetham's School of Music

For concerts, musical activities, and projects for young people
outreach.chethams.com

Royal Northern College of Music (RNCM)

RNCM Engage offers lots of different music making projects for children and young people to get involved in
www.rncm.ac.uk/engage/

Brighter Sound

Brighter Sound have a great network of fresh musicians, and lots of resources encouraging young people to make their own music
www.brightersound.com

Band on the Wall

Great music education and multi-media workshops for all ages and abilities
bandonthewall.org/learning/

Libraires and Theatres

Don't forget to check out what's on at your local library and theatres, there's often lots of free activity taking place!

Professional Orchestras

All the organisations below have great outreach activities, resources and host an array of events to get young people involved in classical music. Drop them a line or check out their websites to see what they have on offer.

- Manchester Camerata
- The Halle Orchestra
- BBC Philharmonic
- Northern Chamber Orchestra

Instrumental Tuition

We suggest that you start with your local Music Hub. They may offer lessons both in and outside of school time. Many music services can offer guidance and advice on good local teachers if you would prefer lessons outside of school.

- www.musicteachers.co.uk
The Musicians Union is partnered to this website, and it is well maintained and good quality. There are also some helpful guidelines on what to look for when choosing an instrumental teacher.
www.musicteachers.co.uk/support/choosingguidelines

Online Resources

- BBC Ten Pieces – Classical music resources aimed at 7–14-year-olds
www.bbc.co.uk/teach/ten-pieces
- Music with Meg – Early Years workshops, violin lessons, children’s music lessons, history, and music theory
www.youtube.com/@MusicwithMeg
- Lah-Lah – Early childhood music educator and entertainer
www.youtube.com/@lahlahsbiglivedband

SEND Music Education - What’s Next?

For young people with additional needs and/or disabilities, there are various resources out there to help keep the love of live music going after Be Hear Now. We recommend you get in touch with your local Music Hub first, as they will be aware of the best provision near you. The list below is some of the organisations we know of, but it is not exhaustive. We cannot take any responsibility for third party organisations, and you should always do your own research.

Manchester Based:

- Chorlton Music Centre, Saturday Sounds SEND music workshop
www.oneeducation.co.uk/news-blog/chorlton-music-centre-timetable
- Billy and Andy’s Music School – billyandandy.co.uk
- Special Virtuosi – Inclusive music making for children and adults with SEND based at RNCM, every Thursday
www.specialvirtuosi.co.uk
- DIY Theatre – Learning Disability Theatre Company based in Salford
www.diytheatre.org.uk
- Omni Music – omnimusic.org.uk

National:

- Nordoff & Robbins – www.nordoff-robbins.org.uk
- Amber Trust – provides music opportunities and resources for blind, partially sighted children and children with complex needs
ambertrust.org
- Jessie’s Fund – jessiesfund.org.uk
- Drake Music – www.drakemusic.org
- Soundabout – www.soundabout.org.uk

Live Music Now at Home

Our Be Hear Now sessions feature musicians from the wonderful Live Music Now. Here's a list of LMN's online video library from Youtube. They feature an array of workshops and interactive concerts – so now you can have your very own Be Hear Now session at home!

- Live Music Now – www.livemusicnow.org.uk
- Live Music Now You Tube channel – www.youtube.com/@LiveMusicNowOnline
Search 'Pre-school and Early Years' | 'Live Music Now concert library for all ages' | 'Schools and Families'