

East Midlands E-bulletin March '09

A few snippets of regional music news follow below. It was fantastic to meet so many of you at the singing day in February and all you instrumentalists and concert promoters let me know which events you'd like to see organised in the coming months. Please keep sending me your news, feedback and ideas.

In the mean time – Happy Music Making!

Best wishes,

Becky

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Making Music News

Choral singing day with Nigel Perrin

We had a fantastic St.Valentine's day sing in Leicester last month led by the lovely Mr Nigel Perrin. 150 voices and 600 cups of tea, and a lot of passion made for a fun event. To view pictures of the event: www.flickr.com/photos/35670718@N02/sets/72157615246777070/

Come Sing with the Halle Orchestra

Tuesday June 9th

Come and join in our come sing with the Halle in Nottingham's Theatre Royal in June. The Theatre Royal, Nottingham Choral Trust and Making Music are teaming up to organise a chorus of at least 400 sings to take part in the concert. Email me if you're interested in signing up becky@makingmusic.org.uk

“Avon Calling”

Strange as though it may sound; too much of my time is sat behind a desk in my home making phone calls and sending emails. I need to meet more of you! If you've got a meeting or rehearsal that you'd allow me to tag along to then please just drop me a line: becky@makingmusic.org.uk or Tel: 0116 212 9597. Call me before I track you down!

Arts & Health Projects

Would your music group be interested in working with Making Music to take part in a music project that benefits the wider community? We're trying to find out if you'd be keen to support us in running projects that are delivered in health care settings. Please email me if you'd be interested: Becky@makingmusic.org.uk

General News

International Women in Music Day - 28th March 2009

IWIM Day welcomes all females with a love for music and their organisations to join in the festivities of 2009 and keep Women In Music DAY alive www.womeninmusicday.com

BFBB Progressive Bands Awards

Awards will be made of up to £250 per award and will be awarded to bands that present innovative project ideas. For information email Philip Watson at devoffice@bfbb.co.uk

Zilok - rent anything online

Rent anything and everything to or from anyone around you. Zilok.co.uk is an online community platform that allows you to make money renting things you own to people near you. www.zilok.co.uk

Continuing Professional Development

22nd April

LCB Depot, Leicester 6pm

Are you a musician delivering or teaching music to children aged 0 - 18 in Leicestershire? Maybe

you are a project manager or music organisation managing and facilitating music projects for children and young people. Come along to this free event to share your ideas. Please book a place by contacting Creative Leicestershire aminton@leics.gov.uk or call 0116 267 0015.

Fundraising for your music project

Wednesday 20th May - 10am - 4pm £20 / £40

LCB Depot, Leicester

One day workshop delivered which will enable you to confidently approach a range of funders and organisations. To book a place Tel: 01536 401902 or email east-midlands@musicleader.net

New website devoted to young cellists

Launched in January 2009, www.littlecellist.com is a brand new website designed specifically for children learning the cello.

Northamptonshire Composers Association

Have a new website - take a look here: www.northamptonshirecomposers.org.uk/

Raise your voices for hospices on October 10th 2009

A global event taking place in approximately 70 countries around the world at 7.30pm on October 10 2009. Find out more about Voices for Hospices and register your event at the website www.worldday.org

Derby's New Carnival Drumming Group: Calidoscópio

Saturdays 10am – 12 noon

Rehearsing Afro-Brazilian street carnival rhythms for performance at Derby Caribbean Carnival in July. For more information please visit Kaleidoscope Community Music or call Beth de Lange Tel: 01332 345 508.

PRS for Music

PRS and MCPS have been operating as the MCPS-PRS Alliance and are re-branding as PRS for Music. For more information, visit www.prsformusic.com

World Festival Network

The first port of call for all festival info, from what's on, who's who, what's it about and more. Sign up and register your festival on the website - www.worldfestivalnet.com

How to prepare end of year accounts & independent examination

Wednesday 20th May – 9.45 – 4.00pm

Leicester £25

Find out how to prepare receipts and payments accounts and what the independent examination involves. A one day training run by ACIE. Please email Rebecca DrBeccles@gmail.com to find out more.

Events

Come Sing Vivaldi Gloria

Saturday 4th April - 3.30 pm rehearsal / 7.30pm concert £8

The Methodist Church, Northgate, Oakham

The Rutland Choral Society is hosting a come sing event next month which includes an afternoon rehearsal and evening performance. Please contact Mrs Edward Tel: 07812040080 or download a booking form [here](#).

Community Choirs Festival at Warwick Arts Centre

Saturday 18th April

www.communitychoirsfestival.co.uk

Singing for Fun (10 sessions) with Eleanor Graf-Baker Richard

Mondays 20th April – 6th July 1.30 – 3.30 £66/£33

Attenborough Centre, Lancaster Rd, Leicester

Tel 0116 252 2455 or visit www.le.ac.uk/racentre

Sing for Water at the Riverside Festival, Leicester

Sunday 7th June

Morning rehearsal at Church of the Martyrs on Westcotes Drive followed by the concert at 2pm in the afternoon. Led by Una May Olomolaiye; music packs available late

March. www.leicestersingforwater.org.uk

Motown Singing Workshop with Una May Olomolaiye

Saturday 20th June 10am – 4pm £24/£16

VoiceBox, Foreman St, Derby

www.kaleidoscope-music.org.uk or Tel: 01332 345508

Sing Africa! Singing Workshop with Chris Rowbury

Saturday 27th June - 9.30 – 3.30

Stamford Arts Centre, St Mary's St, Stamford, Lincs

Tel: 01780 763203 or www.stamfordartscentre.com

Funding

Grassroots Grants

Grants of between £250 and £5,000 available for local voluntary groups across the region:

Lincolnshire: www.lincolnshirecf.co.uk/default.asp?page=grants

Leicestershire: www.voluntaryactionleicester.org.uk/topic/grassroots-grants

Derbys: www.derbyshirecommunityfoundation.co.uk/grants/Grassroots_criteria.html

Northamptonshire: www.ncf.uk.com/grants_available/index.php

Notts: www.nottscf.org.uk/apply_for_a_grant/list_of_available_funds/?id=18n

The Rayne Foundation

Grants available within the arts, education, social welfare & development. To read the full guidelines and download an application form visit www.raynefoundation.org.uk or Tel: 0207 487 9630.

B&Q awards offer up to £10,000 to 40 organisations

£10,000 of B&Q products offered up to 40 projects around the UK www.diy.com/awards

List of trusts and foundations

The funder finder website www.funderfinder.org.uk/links_trusts.php contains a comprehensive and exhaustive list of trusts and foundations in England.

Awards for All Funding Scheme relaunch in April 2009

Check the website to view changes: www.awardsforall.org.uk/england/

Grants for the arts assessment workshops

Arts Council Grants, East Midlands

Tuesday 24th March 2009 - 5:30 -7:30pm

Leicester College, Abbey Campus, Leicester

<http://www.leicestercollege.ac.uk>

Please contact Cheryl Gill Cheryl.Gill@artscouncil.org.uk or Mira mira.arya@artscouncil.org.uk Tel: 0115 9897534 to find out more or book a place.

Wakeham Trust

Grants of up to £750 available for projects that focus on rebuilding communities and address social exclusion. <http://www.wakehamtrust.org/iwanttoapply.php>

The Music Sound Foundation

Dedicated to the improvement of music education with a focus on youth. Applications accepted from schools / music students / music teachers. www.musicsoundfoundation.com

Resources

Free website for Lincolnshire community groups

All you have to do is provide the content and a site will be created for you. Look here for some examples: <http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/communitysites> To find out more please contact Gemma Fairless (Web Editor) Tel: 01522 55(3964)

Create your own website for free

Add a blog, forum, calendar, photo gallery, video gallery and much more. www.webs.com

Free payroll package for small groups

Payroo is offering a free payroll package over the internet for organisations with less than 50 employees. The package is accredited by the Inland Revenue (HMRC). For more information visit www.payroo.com.

Free telephone conference calls

Conference Genie allows you to set up your own free conference calls and if people call in to the conference using a BT line then the call cost is free too. www.conferencegenie.co.uk

Advertise your events, training sessions and workshops for free

Add details of your event to the Voluntary Arts England website. It will also be automatically included the e-newsletter www.voluntaryartsengland.org.uk

Finally... next time you have some friends over, impress them with your empty [wine glasses](#)? Take care, Becky

If you have any questions, feedback or require any further information then please email me becky@makingmusic.org.uk or call me on 07980 915 660

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