



The Leicester-Shire
Music and Cultural Trust

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Become a Patron of The Leicester-Shire Music and Cultural Trust (LMCT)

Inspiring young people through Music for Life

Do you want music to help make a difference to young people's lives?

Do you wish to ensure musical opportunities are protected for ALL young people into the foreseeable future?

If the answer to the above is Yes!

Then please consider being one of our Founding Patrons

1. What do I have to do to be a Patron?

- *Believe in the power of music to motivate and enthral young people*
- *Believe in our charitable objects and the activities we want to carry out, as set out below*
- *Be prepared to donate a sum of money each year to make a difference to our cause*

2. What is The LMCT?

The LMCT is a brand new Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered with the Charity Commission, which works alongside The Leicester-Shire Music Education Hub (LMEH) to run certain musical activities for young people and enable income from parents, donors, gift aid and charitable grants to improve all young people's musical opportunities still further.

LMCT has clear 'Charitable Objects' as required by Charity Law; these have been agreed by the Hub, Trustees and the Charity Commission to be:

- *To advance education in music and the arts for the benefit of the public of Leicester City, Leicestershire and elsewhere.*
- *To advance the arts particularly, but not wholly, by promoting and facilitating access to and performance of music and other art forms.*
- *To help young people, especially but not exclusively through leisure time activities, so as to develop their capabilities that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of society.*

Initially, LMCT will help to ...

- Run concerts, school networks, clubs, ensembles, tours and residential visits
- Raise funds and apply for grants to support young people with their music

As funds build up, we also expect to help students with ...

- Grants and scholarships towards equipment, expenses, tuition and training at a range of levels
- Transport to activities

All decisions about the running of the charity are taken by the trustees, who are unpaid volunteers. Musical advice is provided by LMEH.

3. How much should I give?

We hope you may consider a level of patron to suit your interests and ability to pay:

- Gold Level - £500
- Silver Level - £250
- Bronze Level - £100

Might you also consider **Platinum** Level £1,000 or more...?

4. If I am giving all this money, do I get benefits and will the money be spent wisely?

- We hope you want to give this money for the benefit of young people, giving you pleasure in seeing their progress and achievement
- If you wish, your name will appear in concert programmes (but you may choose to remain anonymous)
- A limited number of complimentary tickets may be available for some concerts
- As the Charity grows as we hope, there may be special events for Patrons, but Patrons would contribute to these!
- Attendance at some rehearsals
- The trustees will seek to fulfil the charity's aims in all decision making and reports and accounts of our activities will be made available, as required by charity law.
- Platinum and Gold Patrons may receive reports about the progress of specific groups or individuals if their money is being used specifically.

5. What do I do next?

- As you are contemplating giving our charity a reasonable amount of money, you may not just want to 'jump in'!
- Please email us on [**leicsmct@gmail.com**](mailto:leicsmct@gmail.com) and we can arrange to talk to you either over the phone or in person.
- If you don't know much about the types of activities we are supporting, please come to an event or a rehearsal.
- Donation and standing order forms are available on the website.