



South Powys Youth Music

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Are you interested in playing an instrument or singing?
How about making music together?
then
South Powys Youth Music is for you

We are an independent registered charity working with schools and parents to provide high quality musical experiences for young people between 6 months and 18 years of age.

Join us on Wednesday evenings
receive expert training and
perform in several concerts each year

SPYM offers the following activities on Wednesday evenings:

String Machine,
Choir
Wind Band
Percussion Group
South Powys Youth Orchestra

To find out more contact our Administrator, Emma Hayes:
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Workshop sessions at Brecon High School

Wednesdays from 4.30 to 6.15 pm. Members are notified of all dates at the end of the previous term. There is a break at 5.15 for members to socialise when a Tuck Shop is available.

Transport

SPYM provides transport from Builth Wells High School leaving at 3.45pm

Fees

The cost of each session is £4, £2 for the first sibling and free for any others. The fees are payable to SPYM on a termly basis. We aim to make our activities accessible to all.

Concerts

SPYM members perform concerts at the end of Autumn and Summer terms either in Brecon High School, Ysgol-y-Bannau or St Mary's Church, Brecon.

Selected members of SPYO and String Machine regularly take part in Brecon Baroque Festival

SPYO take part in a combined concert with local groups at Brecon Cathedral

The culmination of our year is a Gala Concert at Theatr Brycheiniog at the end of the Easter term.

Instrumental Loan Scheme

SPYM are able to loan out certain instruments making it more affordable for parents whose children are in the early stages of learning an instrument.

SPYM Choir

Led by Kath Davies and Bethan Rees

Singing is an activity which is accessible to all and which really does produce the feel-good factor in concerts. Kath and Bethan, both experienced musicians and teachers, offer a varied choice of songs in unison and two parts. Many of our instrumental players like to mix and match taking part in choir first half and playing their instruments in the second.

Percussion Group

Led by Kath Davies

Percussion group is an ideal way for younger children to get a feel for playing music together in a group. Kath, who won a coveted Teaching Award in 2009 seeks to give the young percussion players experience in pitched and non-pitched instruments that lead into further instrumental studies.

String Machine

Led by Alan Davies and Tim Cronin

If you learn violin, viola, cello or double bass and have passed Grade 1 this is a must for you. The main aim for Alan and Tim is that you enjoy playing Strings together. This in turn will help you with your individual performance. You can play both sessions or mix and match.

Wind Band

Led by Clare Walker.

Whether you play woodwind or brass you can join in with Wind Band. Clare, a professional bassoonist, will help you to understand what playing an instrument is all about. You can gain so much by blowing your own trumpet in the company of others. Again if you wish you can mix and match.

South Powys Youth Orchestra

Conducted by Tim Cronin and Alan Davies

Playing in an Orchestra is an experience every instrumentalist should aspire to. Entry is limited to those who have reached Grade 4 or its equivalent. Playing some of the great symphonic repertoire is not only a musical experience not to be missed but can make you part of a close-knit group of musicians working towards a common goal. Tim and Alan are both performing musicians who bring a passion to their conducting.

