

Y M A Z M A Z MAKE SOME NOISE

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Staffordshire Arts & Museum Service and Make Some Noise are announcing the appointment of a freelance Co-ordinator, Clare Smith, for their joint music technology training programme delivered in participating Youth Offending Institutions throughout Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent over the next two years.

This month's appointment heralds the start in earnest of Sonic [dB], which is jointly funded by Arts Council England, West Midlands. A project which not only provides an introduction to a new industry but a creative method of increasing confidence, self-esteem, team work and problem solving.

Sonic [dB] will work with young people involved and professionals in the field to ensure continuity following release.

Project partners (HMPYOI Brinsford, HMPYOI Drake Hall, HMPYOI Werrington, HMPYOI Swinfen Hall and HMP Featherstone) are working with the Co-ordinator to develop an innovative and relevant programme for up to 150 young people over the two years. Local, regional and where needed national artists with experience of working in youth offending settings and other experts will be employed to deliver the programme on the ground. Recruitment of artists is underway with the aim of beginning delivery late Summer/early Autumn.



PLANET SOUND SHOWCASE



Planet Sound Community Arts celebrated the success of the Access All Areas project with a high profile evening performance at the Mitchell Memorial Theatre on 4th February 2005.

Planet Sound's Access All Areas Showcase also took the opportunity to launch the video made as part of the Access All Areas 2004 project, which involved over 200 young people across the county.

The event was free and all were welcome, with families and friends, key stakeholders and consortium partners turning up to support the show.

When one group of girls [photo 3rd from top] were asked to comment on their time spent on the project they said that "it was such a buzz, music really makes a difference" and thanked everyone who made the evening so much fun.

The event featured:

- Outdoor drumming performance and fire show
- Performances by Access All Areas participants
- Video screenings
- Presentations by Elected Mayor Mike Wolfe
- Free Buffet
- Live performances by MaDuLa and the Planet Sound Drum School

EARLY YEARS MUSIC DEVELOPMENT COURSE

Due to the huge success of this course, Make Some Noise will be inviting staff from early years settings in Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent to attend another training course.

The next course has been

scheduled at the Newhampton Arts Centre in Wolverhampton and will be delivered on the following dates: Thursday 7th July, 14th July & 21st July 2005.

For more information and to book a place on the

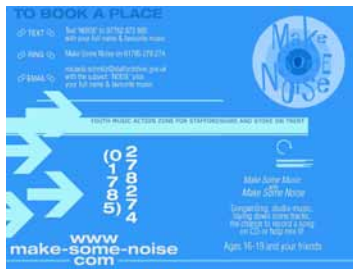
course, please contact the Make Some Noise office on 01785 278 274.

Numbers have been limited to 15 per course to ensure quality learning.

MAKE SOME MUSIC

Make Some Music, a project of Make Some Noise, is offering young people between the ages of 16 & 19 the opportunity to have a go expressing their view on identity and citizenship through sessions in songwriting and studio music. They will have expert guidance from professionals along with Youth Liaison Officer Micaela Schmitz.

The workshops are running on a Monday and Tuesday evening between 6:30pm - 9pm at two venues in Rugeley and Hanley.



ABOVE: MINI FLYERS DISTRIBUTED TO ALL PARTICIPANTS

Four ways for the participants to book have been devised using all possible forms of communication - mobile - email - snail mail - phone - youth worker.

A showcase at the Rugeley Rose is planned for the evening of Monday 18th July. All participants will have a chance to further showcase their work at the Speakout Conference, which is likely to take place on Sunday 2nd October and possibly another conference in Stoke in Sept/Oct.

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Girls and Boys Choir Performance

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