

Ref: BBC invites Make Some Noise participants to audition for BBC2 programme
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Dear Musicians,

The BBC has been speaking with Youth Music and all the Youth Music Action Zones across the UK (including Make Some Noise). The BBC are planning to do some filming for BBC2 about musical talent from the streets of contemporary Britain and are inviting musicians who would like to share stories about how music has played a positive role in their life and how Youth Music Action Zones like Make Some Noise has helped them pursue their dreams.

Working with the BBC, highly successful West Midlands based musicians Goldie (Drum n Bass producer) and Soweto Kinch (award winning alto saxophonist) want to work with people (aged 16-25*). Starting on Goldie's home turf, Heattown Estate in Wolves, they'll plot a course around the country, meeting with and listening to young musicians as they travel; the musicians themselves could come from any genre and play any instrument; from timps to tabla, beatbox to bass guitar, folk fiddle to decks.

The BBC are interested in stories about how music has inspired you, made you more confident, changed the way you think or feel about the importance of music in life, the difference it has made in your life, new friends, new ideas. If you do not feel comfortable about telling your story, then we strongly advise that you do not enter.

The BBC have asked for demo videos to show what level you are at musically, so our advice to you is pick a song that you are happy to play or sing to (you can of course use a backing CD) and ask a friend or teacher/youth worker to help with the filming, but just make sure that when played back, the BBC can clearly hear you play or sing. If you would like to take part, send your demo video to Make Some Noise. **Please email a digital video clip (either taken on your mobile, or a digital camera, or a laptop/webcam) lasting no longer than 1 minute to info@make-some-noise.com. Audio recordings will also be accepted, but video is preferred.**

Make Some Noise will be submitting videos on your behalf and the BBC will select a small handful to attend a very special music workshop in July in the West Midlands. During this workshop, Goldie, Soweto and the BBC will also be identifying who will be selected for the next stage, which is the residential.

Those selected by the BBC will attend the residential course, potentially the week of 11-17 Oct (location to be confirmed, but it will most likely be London). The residential will work towards the final gig, scheduled for late October /early November (also still to be confirmed). Please note that there is a high possibility that this is going to mean taking days off school and will need parental permission (if you are at school).

We will submit every video as long as you clearly state in your email, **"I (enter your name) and my parents / carers are happy for the video to be submitted to the BBC by Make Some Noise."** Any video clips submitted without this statement may automatically rule you out.

Make Some Noise would also like to stress that we are not involved in the selection process and it is entirely your decision and your parents/carers whether you enter.

*All individuals will have to be over 16 at the start of filming. The BBC are setting 1st May as a cut off date.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Sharp'.

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