



SoundUp

ART FOR COMMUNITY



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The workshops have proved a huge success at the village, enabling our residents to connect with each other and their past through music. To have the input of such high calibre musicians has been a wonderful opportunity, helping to enrich the lives of our residents.
Angela- Activities Coordinator

SoundUp Arts

Showmakers

INTERACTIVE SHOW AND
CREATIVE-MUSIC
WORKSHOP SERIES

WHAT IS SHOWMAKERS?

SoundUp Showmakers is a six-week participatory music performance and workshop programme for groups of people living with dementia in care homes and the community.

Facilitated by a team of professional musicians, Showmakers gives groups of people living with dementia the opportunity to be involved in music-making, participate creatively and engage in high-quality musical activities that are tailored to them.





6 WEEK PROGRAMME

Week 1: An interactive multi-genre musical show, presented by specialist SoundUp musicians and facilitators. The interactive show will feature audience participation, sing-a-longs, movement and dance. The show is tailored to the group, and audiences get the opportunity to contribute to the show, and to choose where the story leads.

Week 2-5: Our SoundUp specialists facilitate creative-music workshops tailored for people living with dementia. Within these workshops participants will be involved in music and art making, song writing, group singing and movement activities. These workshops will be inspired by themes, music and ideas that featured in the interactive show.

Week 6: The final workshop is an open session and will be a celebratory showcase of the group's creative practice across the workshop weeks, this session is shared with the care home staff, family and friends.

Training: Following the workshop series a SoundUp education specialist will run a half-day session on music facilitation with care-home staff, to equip carers with easy-to-use creative-music activities and skills, so that they feel confident engaging residents in music-making beyond the series.

ABOUT SOUNDUP ARTS CIC

SoundUp Arts CIC aims to improve the wellbeing of people living with dementia through participatory music and arts activity. We bring creative and cultural practices into care environments, and make them accessible, engaging and interactive for people living with dementia. We work with early-career musicians, providing them with specialised training, and are committed to developing the outreach skills of young artists. Our SoundUp workshops are run by arts-health specialists and a team of early-career musicians, combining high-quality performances with participatory music-making. We believe in connecting communities through creativity, and always celebrate the preferences, abilities and contributions of our audiences. Our business is focused on producing and running high-quality participatory music sessions for people living with dementia, where we enable the creativity of our participants to shine.

OUR REACH

Due to generous funding from the Arts Council England, National Lottery 25 and Together Dementia Support we are able to tour this six-week series in 6 care-homes across Greater Manchester in 2020, reaching over 165 people living with dementia and 60 carers, as well as train, employ and work with 25 early-career musicians and volunteers.



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