



Help
Musicians

Supporters'
Circle

Support the *people* behind the music

Join the Supporters' Circle

From the concert hall to the jazz club, folk sessions to electronic festivals, and pop stages to recording studios, music lifts our spirits, comforts us in difficult times, and brings people together.

But behind every performance, every song, and every piece of music that moves us, there is a person — a musician whose talent, dedication and creativity enriches our lives.

For more than a century, Help Musicians has been here for the people behind the music. We support professional musicians across every genre and at every stage of their lives and careers.

Working in music can be unpredictable, and when illness, injury, or financial hardship arise, musicians often find themselves without the safety nets that many of us take for granted. Through our Wellbeing and Career Development services, we help musicians navigate the precarity of their profession; not only in times of difficulty, but also at moments of opportunity, enabling them to build sustainable and fulfilling careers.

None of this happens without our supporters who care deeply about music and the people who create it.

We invite you to join us and help us create a world where musicians across the UK can thrive.

Amber Emson | Violinist and Postgraduate Award recipient

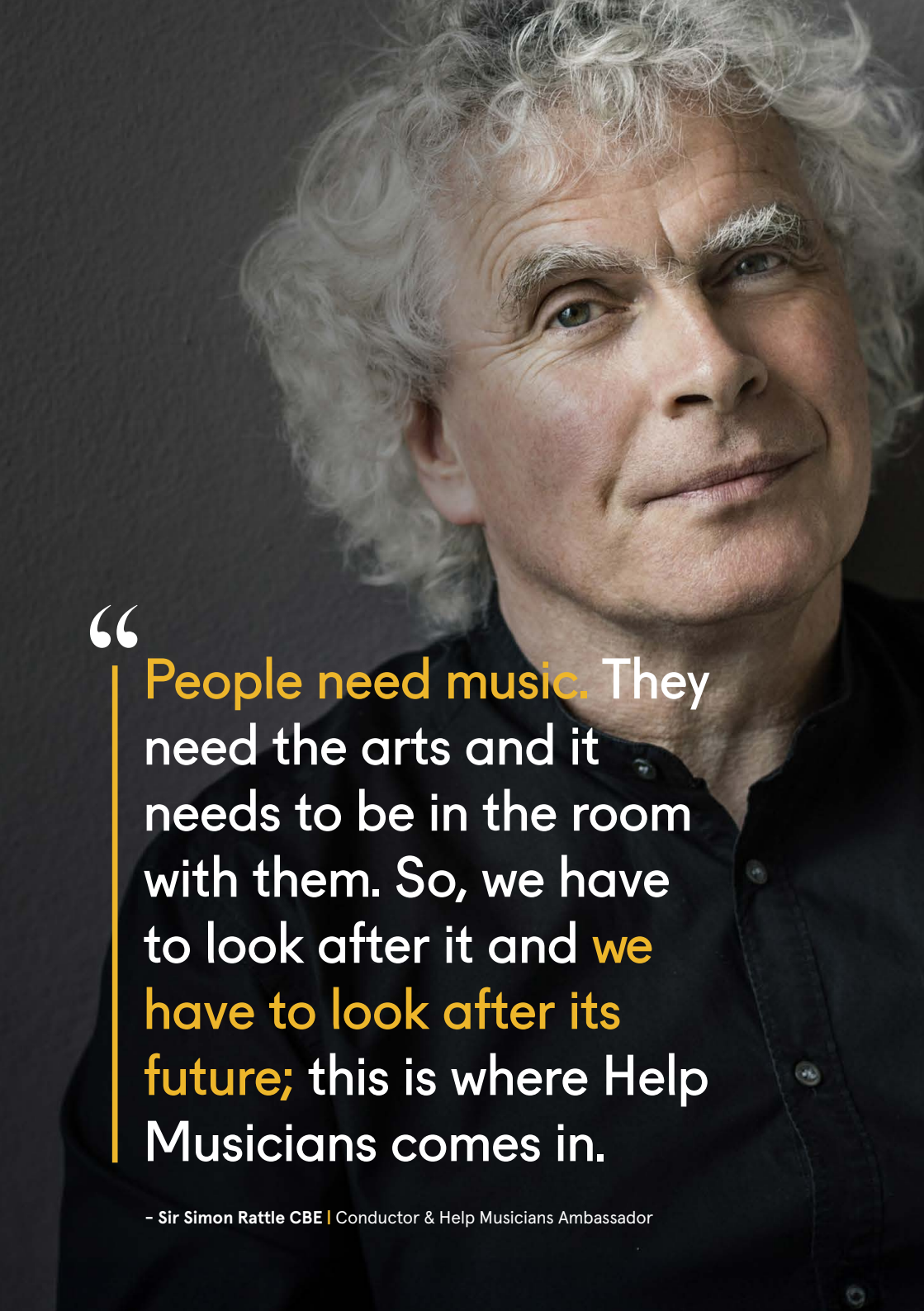




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The early stages of a young musician's career are crucial. But it's also when **a disadvantaged financial background can create a chasm.** Help Musicians' support levels the playing field by buying back the most valuable resource: time. Support from Help Musicians has given me **the freedom to pursue opportunities** that nourish my artistic career.

- Dominika Mak | Pianist and Postgraduate Award recipient

A close-up portrait of Sir Simon Rattle, a man with curly grey hair, looking slightly upwards and to the right. He is wearing a dark shirt. The background is dark and out of focus.

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People need music. They need the arts and it needs to be in the room with them. So, we have to look after it and **we have to look after its future;** this is where Help Musicians comes in.

- Sir Simon Rattle CBE | Conductor & Help Musicians Ambassador

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What your *support* means

The Supporters' Circle is a community of music lovers who believe that musicians deserve support and stability — not just applause. It brings together like-minded people who love music and who want to champion the people who create it, especially when life becomes difficult behind the scenes.

By joining the Supporters' Circle, your generosity gives Help Musicians the flexibility to directly support where the need is greatest, helping us to:



Respond quickly when musicians face moments of difficulty or opportunity.



Sustain essential long-term services that protect health, wellbeing, and livelihoods.



Invest in the next generation of musical talent, nurturing skills, confidence, and creative futures.

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Benefits of joining the Supporters' Circle

The Supporters' Circle offers three levels of annual giving, with each tier representing a different depth of engagement and investment, ensuring musicians receive the care, guidance and opportunities they need to sustain fulfilling careers through the work of Help Musicians.



Exclusive Help Musicians event for supporters hosted at Steinway & Sons UK, 2025

Benefits	Silver	Gold	Platinum
	A gift of £1,200*	A gift of £2,500*	A gift of £5,000*
Recognition on the Help Musicians website as a valued member of the Supporters' Circle	✓	✓	✓
Dedicated relationship manager for RSVPs, invitations and event enquiries	✓	✓	✓
Exclusive quarterly newsletter with curated stories, insights and updates from across Help Musicians	✓	✓	✓
Printed copy of the Help Musicians Annual Report	✓	✓	✓
Early-access invitation to attend the annual Festival of St Cecilia service	✓	✓	✓
Invitations to two specially curated Help Musicians' events with supported artists or Ambassadors		✓	✓
Invitation to attend a performance at the Royal Albert Hall with Help Musicians during the year			✓
Invitation to attend our Postgraduate Award auditions			✓

*All levels of support are annual and comprise a benefits value detailing the actual cost of joining the Help Musicians Supporters' Circle. These benefits can be purchased separately at this price. Any amounts given over and above this benefits value are given freely as a donation and are eligible for Gift Aid. £1,200 level comprises £1,142 donation/£58 inc. VAT benefits. £2,500 level comprises £2,322 donation/£178 inc. VAT benefits. £5,000 level comprises £4,589 donation/£411 inc. VAT benefits. To discuss purchasing benefits separately please contact the Fundraising Team at antonia.smart@helpmusicians.org.uk.

The *impact* of your support

A snapshot of the last three years of our nationwide impact*

£3.51m of Wellbeing support services delivered

£905k delivered in Postgraduate Awards to support students at UK conservatoires

6,984 hours of expert industry business advice delivered

4,405 calls answered to our 24/7 mental health helpline

1,386 musicians across all genres supported to grow their careers

315 musicians mentored through Co-Pilot: the Musicians' Mentoring Network

*Statistics from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2025.



Terrienne Lloyd-Jones | Artist and Next Level Award recipient | © Photo Credit: Nigel King

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As a member, I am able to see first-hand just how much Help Musicians does to support such a large number and huge variety of musicians in the UK, and various events enable me to enjoy the fruits of that support directly.

– Paul Snudden | Supporters' Circle Member

Our 100% Pledge

Our 100% pledge means that every pound donated by our supporters goes entirely towards helping musicians, with none going to overheads or fundraising costs.

This means our supporters can be reassured that we are using their generous donations in the most impactful way.



David Kofi | Artist and Peter Whittingham Jazz Award recipient | © Photo Credit: Tayo Israel



Our royal patron His Majesty King Charles III

The King was named Patron of Help Musicians in May 2024 to mark the first anniversary of the Coronation.

Since forming in 1921 as the Musicians' Benevolent Fund, the charity has been immensely fortunate to benefit from the patronage of the Royal Family.

Join the Supporters' Circle

Please tick your chosen level of support:

- ☐ Silver — £1,200 annually or £100 monthly
- ☐ Gold — £2,500 annually or £209 monthly
- ☐ Platinum — £5,000 annually or £417 monthly

Your Details

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Acknowledging Your Support

Your generosity helps make our work possible, and we are proud to celebrate our supporters. If you would like to be acknowledged publicly, please tell us how you would like your name to appear on the Help Musicians website and in relevant publications.

Name for recognition: _____

☐ I would prefer to support anonymously.

Gift Aid*

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I wish to Gift Aid this donation, any donations I make in the future and any I have made in the past 4 years. I am a UK taxpayer making a personal donation and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Payment Options

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I would like to pay by bank transfer.

Please get in touch with the team to request our bank details.

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I would like to pay by Direct Debit.

Please get in touch with the team to request a Direct Debit form.

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I would like to pay by cheque.

Please make the cheque out to **Help Musicians.**

Please return this form to:

Antonia Smart
Help Musicians
7 – 11 Britannia Street
London
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Get in touch

If you would like to join the Supporters' Circle, or would simply like to learn more about our work, please contact:



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We would be very happy to talk to you and help you find the level of support that feels right for you.



Scan the QR code to visit our page on the Help Musicians website.

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NGAIO | Artist and Electronic Award recipient
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Cover Image: **Oliver Pritchard Jones** | Saxophonist and Postgraduate
Award recipient

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