

Music classes and Training ensembles for children and Young adults in Peterborough and surrounding areas (Oct 2024)

This list may not include all music classes and training ensembles available in the Peterborough and the surrounding areas, and some of the information may be out of date – please refer to the relevant websites for further information.

For Pre-school Children:

Peterborough and surrounding areas:

Music for little people

This organization operates nationwide and runs music sessions for 0-5 yr olds in Peterborough and the surrounding area, and also Cambridge and the surrounding area. For more information visit <http://www.musicforlittlepeople.co.uk>

Musical Minis

This franchise organization operates nationwide and currently runs music sessions for babies and toddlers in the South Lincs area. For more information visit <http://www.musicalminis.co.uk>

Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts trust (NMPAT)

NMPAT is the leading partner in the Northamptonshire Music Education Hub (NMEH) and runs various music centres and ensembles for children (including some pre-school) throughout Northamptonshire. Click the link for a list of music centres and then click the various centres to see what is available locally (<https://www.nmpat.co.uk/learn-with-us/music/>).

For School-age Children:

Individual primary and secondary schools can only run a limited range of music ensembles, if your child cannot find a suitable ensemble at their school they could consider joining one or more of the many different 'training' ensembles run at various music centres in the region, these centres usually operate on a school or college premises after the school day or on Saturdays. Some of these centres also provide individual tuition. There is usually a termly fee to join an ensemble. For more information please visit the related websites.

Peterborough area:

Beat this

This is a Community interest Company in Peterborough. It runs a number of occasional musical events, projects, and workshops for various age groups and abilities (including adults) with the aim of developing skills, and enabling individuals to interact and express themselves through music. For more information visit <https://www.beatthis.org>

Peterborough Youth choir

This choir is run by **Peterborough Sings** which also runs other projects for children and adults. For more information visit www.peterboroughsings.org.uk

Peterborough Centre for Young Musicians (PCYM)

This is for young musicians aged 5 – 18yrs and runs on Saturday mornings at Ormiston Bushfield Academy. It provides individual lessons and ensemble training and also runs the **Peterborough Youth Orchestra (PYO)**. Peterborough Music Hub manages the PCYM which is the result of collaboration between Ormiston Bushfield Academy, Cross Keys Homes, and the Guildhall school of Music & Drama. For more information visit www.pcymp.org.uk

Soundabout inclusive choir for Peterborough Youth

This choir is a result of a collaboration between the charity Soundabout and Peterborough Music Hub. Its aim is to create a musical community around children and young people with disabilities to build confidence in their own musicality and ability to form relationship; some of the members will be singers, others may use technology or traditional instruments to make their contribution – all are welcome. For more information visit www.soundabout.org.uk

Cambridgeshire:

Cambridgeshire Music

This is the county music hub that runs various music centres and ensembles for school age children in various parts of the county. For more information visit www.cambridgeshiremusic.org

Fenland Music Centre Association (FMCA)

This music centre operates at March Community Centre on Friday evenings and is run by Fenland Music Centre Association. Tuition and training ensembles are available for children and adults. For more information visit <https://fenlandmusiccentreassociation.wordpress.com/>

Huntingdonshire Music School (Association)

This music centre operated at Hinchingsbrooke school in Huntingdon on Saturday mornings and was run by Huntingdonshire Music School association (HUMSA). Unfortunately, due to the pandemic it seems to have ceased operating.

Whittlesey Sax Choir

This is a community group for saxophone players of all ages based in Whittlesey that meet every two to three weeks. One of their purposes is to encourage other players and help them improve, no matter their age or ability.

For more information visit <https://whittleseysaxchoir.org.uk>

Lincolnshire:

Lincolnshire Music Service

This is the lead organization of the Lincolnshire Education hub. It runs various music centres and ensembles for school age children throughout the county. For more information visit <https://www.lincsmusicservice.org>

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