



The Foundation for Young Musicians Trustee Role Description

Role: Trustee

Commitment: 4 meetings per year with additional duties

Unpaid

The Foundation for Young Musicians is looking for 3-4 Trustees to join our charity's Board.

About The Foundation for Young Musicians

The Foundation for Young Musicians (FYM) is a charity established in 1990 with the sole aim to raise funds for the Centre for Young Musicians (CYM) London. To date FYM has raised over £9million to support CYM.

CYM enables young people with real musical promise to reach their full potential, providing advanced musical experiences to over 1200 talented young Londoners each year. Additionally, CYM manages flagship advanced ensembles the London Schools Symphony Orchestra (LSSO) and the London Youth Wind Band (LYWB). CYM is now a division of the Guildhall School and the successful model has been expanded to Norwich, Peterborough, Taunton and Saffron Walden.

FYM raises funds through charitable Trusts and Foundations and individual donors, so that CYM can offer talented London school children first-class musical training and education irrespective of ability to pay. Half of CYM's students would not be able to benefit from this tuition without financial assistance.

'The FYM bursary means a lot to me. It helped me stretch my musical aptitude and without it I would not have been able to attend CYM' CYM student and composer of the award-winning 'The Train Journey'

CYM is celebrating 50 years in 2020 and we are currently planning a 3-year fundraising campaign to raise £500,000 by 2020, and alongside our partners at CYM, we will host a series of high-profile celebratory events during the anniversary year.

Board Development

We are looking for up to four Trustees to join our Board of Trustees. This is an exciting opportunity for those seeking to make a real difference in supporting disadvantaged young Londoners and those with a passion for music and the arts.

We are looking for individuals who share our belief about the importance of music to the lives of young people and that music tuition should not be for the privileged few. We are looking for people from a diverse range of backgrounds and experiences with the energy and vision to make a serious contribution to the success of FYM.

We are particularly keen to add the following areas of expertise to our Board:

- Music / Arts Industry senior-level expertise
- Marketing with digital marketing expertise
- Accountancy / Finance
- CYM Alumni

We are looking for people who, as well as bringing expertise in the areas listed above:

- Are committed to the mission and values of The Foundation for Young Musicians.
- Understand and accept the legal duties, responsibilities and liabilities of being a Trustee including good governance, ensuring FYM is complying with its constitution and charitable objectives, and that it is complying with all legal and regulatory requirements.
- Will act as an ambassador for the charity.
- Will actively contribute to the strategic direction of the organisation.
- Can contribute ideas and contacts in the cultivation of the charity's partnerships and fundraising networks.

Time commitment

- The Trustees meet four times a year for quarterly Board meetings
- At selected CYM performances and events
- Providing advice and guidance to staff as required

Additional information

- Section 72(1) of the Charities Act 1993 disqualifies anyone from being a Trustee who:
 - has been convicted of an offence involving deception or dishonesty, unless the conviction is spent
 - is an un-discharged bankrupt
 - has previously been removed from being a Trustee of a charity by the court or the Charity Commissioners
 - is under a disqualification order under the Company Directors regulatory framework

If you are interested in being considered as a Trustee, please email Claire Barlow clairebarlowconsulting@gmail.com with a CV and a short accompanying letter explaining why are you interested in becoming a Trustee of The Foundation for Young Musicians.

Please send your application by 30 November 2017.