



Music can transform a mood, take you to a different place, communicate with you and above all connect us as human beings in a way that very little else can.

Our **Mission** is to work with partners to increase the quality, consistency and level of music and radio opportunities for young people in Cornwall. We believe that all young people should have the chance to develop skills and have a voice. We know that music and radio can achieve this.

CYMAZ works with music leaders with a range of experience, skills and backgrounds to provide a broad range of opportunities to young people. This can be a range of instrumental work in a variety of genres, vocal work including rap and spoken word and music technology and DJing. All CYMAZ and CYMAZ approved music leaders;

- are skilled musicians/educators
- work within the values and ethos of CYMAZ; **Young person centred approach, partnership working, providing a high quality service and access and participation for all**
- have experience of working with young people from a range of different backgrounds
- are CRB checked
- hold public liability insurance
- document and evidence the impact of our work using Youth Music Outcomes (originated from Charities Evaluation Service)
- engage in regular training
- are signed up to and adhere to the national MusicLeader Code of Practice www.musicleader.net
- are networked with organisations across Cornwall, regionally and Nationally and can provide advice and signposting to young people

CYMAZ can provide music making sessions in a range of genres, for groups of different sizes, abilities, backgrounds or circumstance. When working with groups with additional needs, CYMAZ requires a support staff member to play an active role in the planning, managing and evaluation of the sessions. By working in partnership to support participants musically, socially and personally, the best possible outcomes can be achieved.

"St Austell itself holds many challenges for young people, an area of social isolation, with high poverty and employment figures the young people who attend have low self esteem, confidence and lack a sense of belonging. It is my belief that the music programme has helped to tackle all the above and has given the young people not only a social forum but a chance to explore their own abilities and to enjoy and achieve." **(The House Youth Centre)**

See our **Services** section for more information about purchasing music provision from CYMAZ or working in partnership.