

A photograph of a music production studio. In the foreground, there is a desk with a laptop displaying a digital audio workstation (DAW) interface, a notebook, and some cables. In the background, a person is visible, possibly a musician or producer, working at a desk. The image is framed by a blue geometric shape.

SOUNDBOX

8 & 9 April 2017

WHAT

Soundbox is an all-ability inclusive music collective that brings together musicians aged 16-25 from East London to make and create new music.

The group uses a mixture of traditional instruments, music technology and singing, and offers a safe and supportive place to be creative and to experiment with new sounds and styles. Soundbox applies an open and exploratory approach to creating unique new music for the group.

Soundbox sessions include:

- Group creative composition and song-writing
- Musical improvisation
- Skills exploration
- Playing and working together as an ensemble

“My favourite thing about Soundbox is how spontaneous it is – someone plays something on their instrument and suddenly, 10 minutes later, it’s a brilliant piece of music and everybody is joining in. It is also really exciting because as people get used to their instruments and to each other, the music just keeps getting better and better, and more interesting.” Daisy, trumpet

The group works with a team of experienced professional musicians from London Symphony Orchestra, Drake Music and Spitalfields Music.

Our April Weekend course (Sat 8 & Sun 9 Apr) will focus on working together to devise and rehearse new music for a performance at the end of the weekend.

WHO

Soundbox is open to young people wanting to develop as musicians by creating music with others. Previous musical experience can range from an interest and enjoyment in school music lessons to studying music at university or Music College. Soundbox offers musicians of all abilities a new experience and a new challenge.

WHEN

Saturday 8 April, 10.30am – 3.30pm (please arrive at 10.30am for a 10.45am start)

Sunday 9 April, 10.30am-4pm

There will be a sharing to friends and family at 3pm on the Sunday afternoon.

Please **bring a packed lunch** - lunch will not be provided.

WHERE

Soundbox meets at the **Brady Arts & Community Centre**, Hanbury Street, London E1 5HU. [Please note that the Brady Centre is a wheel chair accessible building.]

HOW

Soundbox is an integrated ensemble for disabled and non-disabled musicians. We endeavour to ensure that sessions are accessible, welcoming and engaging for everyone regardless of background and needs.

Soundbox is reliant on members being fully supportive and considerate to the needs of others within the group. We work together as a team, everyone as equals.

If you require any additional support within sessions, please make this known in your registration form. If you'd like to bring a family member or friend, please do – everyone is welcome. A member of the Soundbox support team will be present at all sessions.

We are able to offer financial assistance to any members requiring support in covering travel costs to/from sessions. Please let us know in your registration form if you require additional support.

Soundbox is free to attend.

TAKE PART

If you'd like to be part of Soundbox please complete the April course registration form and equal opportunities form and return it to kathryn.elwick@spitalfieldsmusic.org.uk. Places are limited and will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis.

If you have any questions about Soundbox please either call Kathryn on 020 7377 0287 or email kathryn.elwick@spitalfieldsmusic.org.uk