

UK Support for Global Majority and Refugee Music Makers

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Introduction



Attitude is Everything helps Deaf and disabled people enjoy live music.



One World Orchestra is a professional collective of musicians from many countries and backgrounds based in the UK.

The orchestra includes people with lived experience of displacement. We believe that difference makes us stronger and music helps us connect.



Attitude is Everything and One World Orchestra have worked together to create this resource.



It is made to give you places to go for support as a music maker in the UK.

Support for music makers from global majority, asylum seekers and refugee heritage.



This guide is for music makers from global majority, asylum seekers and refugee heritage.



Global majority means people of African, Asian, Middle Eastern, Latin American, Indigenous and mixed backgrounds.



There is support made for music makers from global majority, asylum seekers and refugee heritage.



This could be help with gigs, money and advice.



Musicians' Union is a group that helps music makers in the UK.



They have a refugee community you can join free for one year.



You can get help with writing important things on paper, so everything is clear and fair.



This helps to be protected if something goes wrong whilst you are making music.



You can talk to others about your music and meet other music makers in the UK.



To **join**, you will need to [email Counterpoints Arts.](#)



In your email, you can say that you want to join **Musician's Union Refugee Membership.**

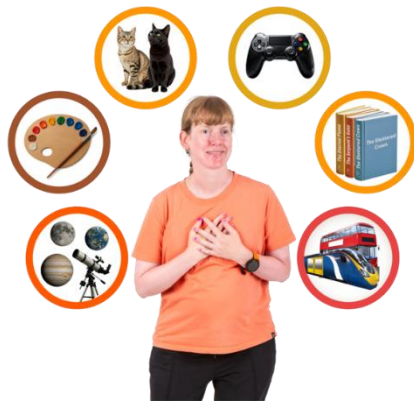
Access Needs



This document is also for people who have access needs as well as being from global majority, asylum seeker and refugee heritage.



Access needs are things that help people join in who are Deaf, disabled, neurodivergent or have a physical or mental health condition.



Neurodivergent means people whose brains work differently. **These are natural differences.**

For example, autistic people are neurodivergent.



Access needs make it easier for everyone to take part in creative activities.



You can **ask for support** to feel comfortable when working or performing.

This is called an **access requirement.**

How you can ask for help in your practice



You can ask for more time to complete an activity.



Asking a venue for details before a performance.

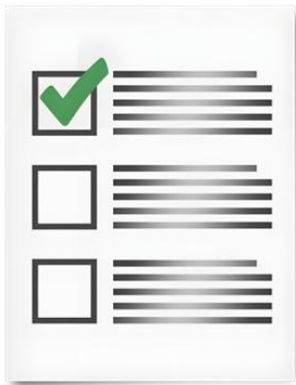


Requesting a translator when filling out forms.



Arrange a quiet space to feel calm or pray.

Access Riders



An **Access Rider** is a clear list of things you need to create and perform music.



This is given to the venue or orchestra after you are booked for a show.

It helps everyone work well together.



Translation can help you write in your own voice.

Work with **someone you trust** to help you say exactly what you need.



[You can download your Access Rider template with examples and guidance.](#)

Free Resources for Music Makers



[Attitude is Everything Next Stage Artist Network](#)

We run a support group for music creators with access needs



[Attitude is Everything Accessible Funding Guide](#)

How music makers get money and look after themselves.



[Attitude is Everything useful links for artists](#)

Learn more about being a professional music maker.



[Help Musicians Online Sessions](#)

Help from free online learning sessions.



[Unsigned Guide Advice Page](#)

Help for new music makers.



BBC Introducing

Share your music on the radio.

PRS



Join to get money from your music.

Welcoming Spaces to Grow Your Practice



One World Orchestra

Their email address is:
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Action for Refugees in Lewisham

Their email address is:
info@afiril.org.uk



City of Sanctuary

Their email address is:
info@cityofsanctuary.org



St Ethelsburgh Centre for Peace and Reconciliation **offers free tickets** for asylum seekers and refugees

You can contact them on their website, or you can call them on 02080 641635



Counterpoints Arts **support refugees and migrants in the arts.**

Their email address is:
hello@counterpoints.org.uk



Dovetail Orchestra is a **creative music group** for asylum-seekers and refugees.

They are based in **Bristol, London** and **Cardiff**.

Their email address is:
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Lila Music empower South Asian artists & music makers in the UK.

You can contact them on their website at the bottom of the page.

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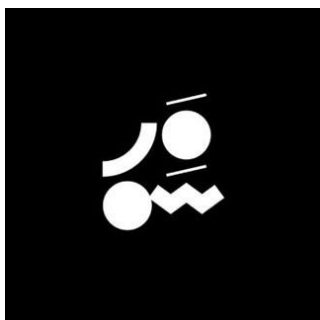
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MARSM is an Arabic focused event creator and online platform.

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Good Chance Artist Development Programme

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