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LONDON YOUTH CHOIRS IMPACT REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2022 – AUGUST 2023

10

459
YOUNG PEOPLE
SANG IN OUR 10
CHOIRS

CHOIRS →

43% OF YOUNG PEOPLE AUDITIONING
IN 2022/23 HAD NEVER SUNG
IN A CHOIR BEFORE!

243
7-11 YEAR OLDS
SANG WITH OUR
10 CHOIRS

OUR 10 CHOIRS FORM THE CORE OF OUR WORK,
**BRINGING TOGETHER YOUNG PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER
LONDON** FOR WEEKLY REHEARSALS AND INSPIRATIONAL
PERFORMANCES. THE CHOIRS PROVIDE A PROGRESSION
PATHWAY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 7-23, EMBRACING
EVERYONE FROM **ABSOLUTE BEGINNERS** UP TO THOSE
LOOKING TO PURSUE **A CAREER IN THE PERFORMING ARTS.**

*I love LYC and it's
super fun coming to sing
every week. Thank you
for giving us space
to do what we love!"*

LYC Cambiata
Girls

179
12-17 YEAR OLDS
SANG WITH OUR
10 CHOIRS

239 YOUNG PEOPLE
JOINED LYC FOR THE FIRST
TIME IN 2022/23

50 LYC MEMBERS ARE
GRADUATING TO THE NEXT
CHOIR UP THIS YEAR

PRACTICE! LYC HELD
PRACTICE: 269
PRACTICE! REHEARSALS OVER
THE ACADEMIC YEAR



OUR 10TH CHOIR
LYC North East, launched in
2023 achieving our
10TH ANNIVERSARY GOAL
of 10 choirs for 10 years.

37
18-23 YEAR OLDS
SANG WITH OUR
10 CHOIRS

OUR MEMBERS

DEMOGRAPHICS

100%
OF LYC MEMBERSHIP
FEES
SUBSIDISED



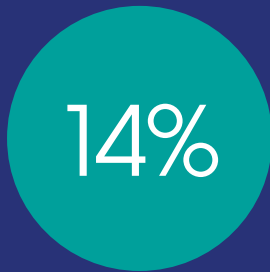
YOUNG PEOPLE WERE OFFERED FREE PLACES THROUGH OUR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME



MEMBERS RECEIVED AN LYC FUNDED OYSTER CARD TO HELP THEM GET TO REHEARSALS AND EVENTS



OF MEMBERS IN OUR OLDER CHOIRS RECEIVE PUPIL PREMIUM

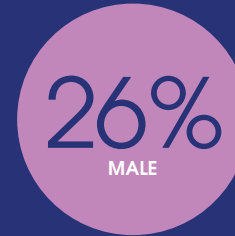
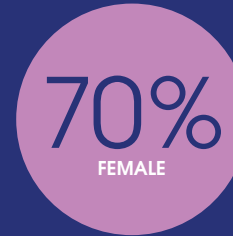


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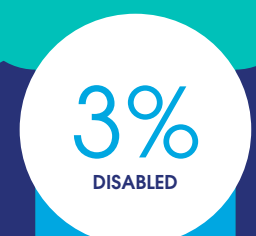
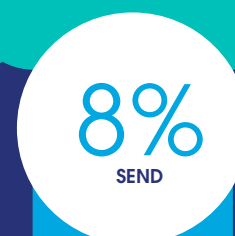
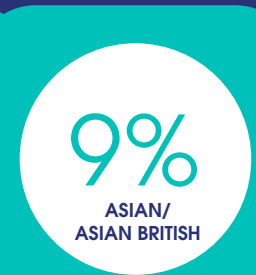
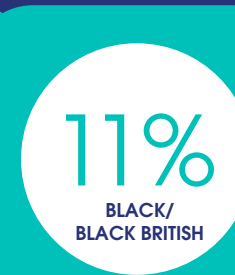


OF OUR MEMBERS WHO ATTEND SCHOOL ARE STATE EDUCATED

GENDER



ETHNICITY



DISABILITY

31 OF 32 LONDON BOROUGHS ARE REPRESENTED

INCLUSION & DIVERSITY

We're constantly working to make our choirs more representative of the amazing diversity of London.

We measure our progress against London census data. Over the next year, we're focusing on improving the numbers of young people who take part who receive pupil premium, who identify as Disabled, and on the representation of ethnicities throughout our organisation. This is alongside our commitment to double the number of young people receiving financial assistance, and to encourage boys' singing.

Learn more about our choirs on our website: londonyouthchoirs.com

LYC EXPERIENCE

1461

YOUNG PEOPLE

TOOK PART IN OUR LYC
EXPERIENCE ENGAGEMENT
PROGRAMME

88

HOURS
OF ENGAGEMENT
WORKSHOPS

LYC Experience is our engagement programme working closely with **SCHOOL CHILDREN, THEIR TEACHERS, FAMILIES AND PARTNER MUSIC HUBS** to establish and support singing in London's local communities. With the arts being pushed to the margins of education policy, access is at an all time low for young people who cannot afford a good quality musical education. **LYC EXPERIENCE SUPPORTS TEACHERS AND STAFF AT SCHOOLS TO ENRICH THE LIVES OF YOUNG LONDONERS THROUGH SINGING.**

'COME AND SING' DAYS

FREE WORKSHOPS for the whole family, promoting intergenerational singing. Delivered in Ealing, Tottenham and Streatham.

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**PARTNER
SCHOOLS**

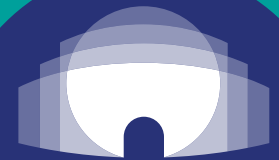
CLICK HERE
TO FIND OUT MORE
or visit the **LYC EXPERIENCE PAGE**
on our website

WATCH
THIS YEAR'S LYC
EXPERIENCE
PROJECT

<https://youtu.be/a5KJ0hK4PPA>

The kids were completely buzzing from the experience and will no doubt remember it for the rest of their lives!

Teacher at one of our LYC Experience schools



Over 1.000 young people joined LYC's choirs for our performance at the Royal Albert Hall in May 2023

Thank you for letting me and my class come to the Royal Albert Hall. I loved it - you made me feel amazing and special. I appreciate it still, even if I am not there anymore.

LYC Experience participant

PERFORMANCES, CONCERTS & EVENTS 2022/23

LYC GAVE 32 PERFORMANCES OVER THE YEAR! HERE ARE A FEW OF OUR HIGHLIGHTS

Our concerts and events give young people the opportunity to build confidence, be inspired by amazing music and venues, and to raise their aspirations.

ROYAL VARIETY PERFORMANCE

AT THE ROYAL ALBERT HALL WITH

ANDREW LLOYD-WEBBER
GARY BARLOW
AND GARETH MALONE

DECEMBER 2022

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

AT THE SKY GARDEN DECEMBER 2022

GOOD MORNING BRITAIN

ITV DECEMBER 2022

LYC FESTIVE CONCERT

SHOREDITCH TOWN HALL DECEMBER 2022

DAMNATION OF FAUST LONDON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

AT THE ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL

FEBRUARY 2023

BBC NEWS AWARDS

AT BROADCASTING HOUSE FEBRUARY 2023

INTERGENERATIONAL MUSIC MAKING CONFERENCE

ROYAL ALBERT HALL FEBRUARY 2023

JOINT CONCERT

WITH THE SCUNTHORPE COOPERATIVE JUNIOR CHOIR

HOLY SEPULCHRE CHURCH

JULY 2023

SUMMER
POP-UP PERFORMANCES
AT LEADENHALL MARKET & PATERNOSTER SQ
JULY 2023

CHARGED UP!
JOINT CONCERT WITH NYCGB
AND THE SWINGLES AT SNAPE MALTINGS

AND THE BIGGEST LYC CONCERT EVER

RISE UP

AT THE ROYAL ALBERT HALL

FEATURING

1500 YOUNG
PEOPLE

2500
PERFORMING TO AN AUDIENCE OF

TO CELEBRATE OUR 10TH ANNIVERSARY

 YouTube

CLICK HERE TO WATCH THE VIDEO RECAP OF
RISE UP <https://youtu.be/YqN7Zhy-4W4>

THE SONGS WE SING

Classical

music

GOSPEL

spanning over

Folk/FUNK

500 years,

JAZZ

brand new commissions and

POP

everything in between!

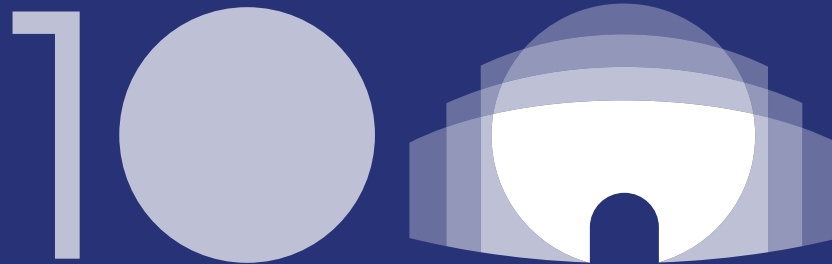
MUSICAL THEATRE

ALL LYC ACTIVITIES FEATURE A DIVERSE RANGE OF MUSIC IN A VARIETY OF LANGUAGES AND STYLES.

Of the songs we sang this year, 16% featured languages other than English. 63% were secular, with the remaining 37% religious.

Many of our programmes featured traditional choral music, but we also sang Gospel, Jazz, Folk, Funk, Pop and Musical Theatre!

WE COMMISSIONED TWO BRAND NEW PIECES THIS YEAR FOR OUR 10TH ANNIVERSARY



BRENDA RATRAY & AMY BRYCE worked collaboratively with LYC members to write songs which were performed for the first time at the ROYAL ALBERT HALL

It made me feel powerful and awesome, like I had one loud and beautiful voice I felt heard."

LYC Member

THE DIFFERENCE WE MAKE

KEY FINDINGS FROM OUR ANNUAL MEMBERS SURVEY*

LYC aims to help young people improve not only their singing and musicianship, but also their confidence and wellbeing, with the aim of supporting all aspects of their development.

We want the young people we work with to feel valued, safe and that their voices are heard, in more ways than one!

The staff have helped me when we have concerts. LYC has given me lots of opportunities to improve my singing.

LYC Member

Everyone has been very nice and welcoming. It's the first choir I've been in and it's a lot of fun. Loads of cool opportunities, and everyone is so kind and open to talk with.


LYC Member

LYC is a very positive place, the people are fantastic, full of joy and enthusiasm for music and for the young people in the Choirs. It has had a truly positive impact on my child's wellbeing.

Parent

My son used to get nervous performing in front of the audience, he used to panic but now he really enjoys the spotlight.

Parent

 79% of our members completed the survey



YOUNG PEOPLE

86%
OF MEMBERS
believe their singing has
IMPROVED

67%
OF MEMBERS
believe their musicianship has
IMPROVED

74%
OF MEMBERS ARE MORE
CONFIDENT

93%
OF MEMBERS FEEL
SUPPORTED

PARENTS & GUARDIANS

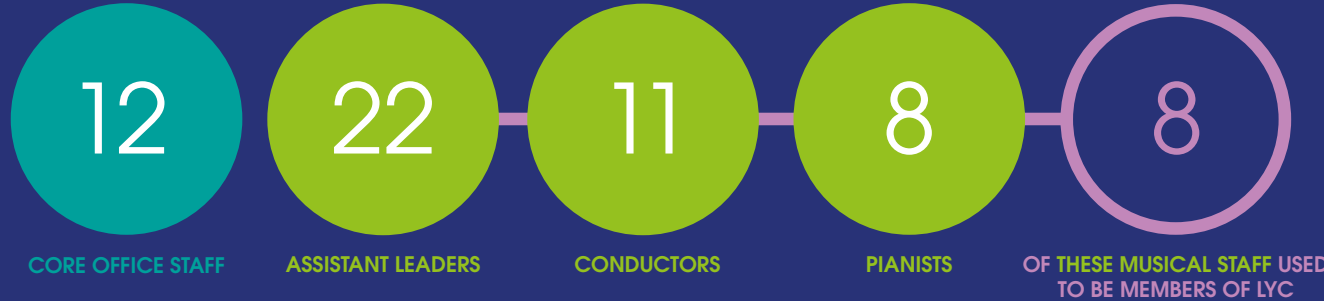
97%
SAID LYC WAS A
**WELCOMING
COMMUNITY**

74%
BELIEVE LYC
has a positive effect on
**MENTAL
HEALTH &
WELLBEING**

NONE OF THIS WORK WOULD BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT OUR

INCREDIBLE AND DEDICATED STAFF TEAM!

CLICK HERE TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT LYC STAFF TEAM or visit the LYC PEOPLE page on our website



GUEST ARTISTS & PARTNERS

We have worked with many brilliant guest artists and organisations over the last year, who help us deliver our work, and add value for the young people we work with, including

GARETH MALONE · CAMILLA KERSLAKE · AMY BRYCE
BRENDA RATTRAY · ANNA LAPWOOD · ADRIAN SUTTON



OUR FANTASTIC FUNDERS

We fundraise over 80% of our income each year from generous individual supporters, trusts, foundations, and corporate sponsorship.

In 2022, we set an ambitious target to raise £1 million by August 2024 to support LYC's expansion and to help us reach more young people with inspiring singing opportunities.

We're so grateful to everyone who supports LYC's charitable work with donations, grants, in-kind sponsorship and being ambassadors for LYC.

If you would like to find out more about how to help, please visit our website: londonyouthchoirs.com

email: development@londonyouthchoirs.com

or call:

07708 817 879

We'd love to hear from you.



LYC are the gold standard for getting young people singing, they are fabulous." Anna Lapwood



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