



Awards for
Young Musicians

Leave the legacy of music



Will you support the next generation of young musicians?

Think back to how your musical journey started

Maybe it was a grandparent helping you explore the keys on a piano, sitting in the stalls at your first concert, or an inspiring teacher...

Wherever it's lead you, your Will can give future generations the opportunity of a musical life.

After you've taken care of loved ones, please consider supporting AYM with a gift in your Will.

With your help, we can create a future where music flourishes - where every young musician can reach their potential, and not be held back by their financial circumstances.



How legacies make a difference



AYM was founded by a legacy from Robert Lewin. Since 1998, that legacy has given thousands of young musicians the chance to reach their potential.

Each year, we work with nearly 900 young musicians across the UK. But the need for our support is ever increasing.

A gift in your Will, whether large or small, is a powerful way to support our work for the long term. Each one helps us change the future for young musicians - whilst ensuring your love of music is passed on for years to come.

We have now launched the Robert Lewin Circle to recognise the generosity of those who have pledged to leave a gift to AYM.

If you do decide to leave a legacy, we'd be delighted to welcome you as a member of the Circle and send you updates on our work and invitations to events.

The benefits

By making or amending your Will with a qualified solicitor:

- You're setting clear and up to date intentions.
- You're looking after your loved ones and the causes you care about.
- Gifts to charities are exempt from inheritance tax. A gift to AYM in your Will may reduce the tax on your estate. Speak to your solicitor for advice on your individual tax circumstances.

The process

We've partnered with the National Free Wills Network, who offer a free Will writing service. This network gives you access to hundreds of solicitors across the country, offering in person meetings, to make it easier for you to tailor your Will to your needs.

- Visit our website to order your National Free Wills Network information pack:

a-y-m.org.uk/legacies
- You'll then receive your pack in the post with details of qualified solicitors that are local to you.
- Your chosen solicitor will help you write or amend a simple Will free of charge. You're not obliged to leave a gift to AYM if you use this process.

If you already have a solicitor, you can contact them directly to make or amend your Will.



Types of gift

There are three main ways to support us with a gift in your Will:

- **Residuary:** A percentage of your estate after your other beneficiaries have been provided for.
- **Pecuniary:** A fixed sum of money.
- **Specific:** A particular item, including shares, bonds and pension funds. If you'd like to support us with an item, please contact us to discuss whether we can accept this gift.

Our promise to you

- AYM is signed up to the Fundraising Regulator's Code of Practice.
- We completely understand that your loved ones come first when writing your Will.
- We'll treat your intentions with sensitivity, respect and courtesy.
- You can change your mind at any time about leaving a gift to AYM in your Will and we'll respect your decision.
- We'll use your gift wisely where it has the most impact for our young people and we'll of course discuss any preferences you have for where your gift is used.
- You don't have to tell us that you are leaving a legacy to AYM. But if you're happy for us to know, we'd love to welcome you as a member of our Robert Lewin Circle, with updates on our work and invitations to events.
- Any personal data you share with us will be handled sensitively and confidentially: a-y-m.org.uk/privacy-notice



“Music means so much to me. Performing solos, playing in orchestras and ensembles, and playing with and for other people is the thing that I love the most. It’s what I want to spend my life doing - AYM brings me one step closer to achieving this goal and I cannot express how grateful I am.”

Adah, Awards Alumna

“My husband and I were keen to ensure that when we no longer need it anymore, some of our money is used to benefit charities that we have supported throughout our lives. We think the work that AYM does with young people is fabulous. We love that they enable children from all backgrounds to develop their musical skills. We found it very easy to add AYM to our Wills. We did it via a meeting with our solicitor. It’s nice to know we have that box ticked now!”



Clare, AYM Angel and member of the Robert Lewin Circle



“To me, music is one of the greatest and most life-enhancing joys in the world. To help to fund AYM in identifying musical talent amongst young people throughout the UK - giving them the opportunity to enhance their skills, to perform with other young musicians, to share their talent and that joy with us all - is the most tremendous privilege.”

Handa, AYM Angel and member of the Robert Lewin Circle

Next steps

If you would like to have a chat about leaving a legacy to AYM, please get in touch with our Development Manager.

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