Gig Buddies Lothians

New Year Newsletter 2019











Update from Sam

Hi everyone!

First of all, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! 2018 was an amazing year for Gig Buddies, in 2019 we will be holding more events than ever before, staying up later than before, and giving more control of the project over to you, our members.

This is a quick update about what we're running in the first few months of 2019, and how you can get more involved than ever.

Sam



We want to hear from you!

Members Meetings

We want our members to control 2019. What events do you want to run? Where else should 'mEAT UP' take place? Do you have any fundraising ideas? We want to hear your thoughts on how Gig Buddies can develop over the next year. So come along to a members meeting and have your say!

West Lothian Tuesday 22nd January 12pm - 1:30pm

Grand Central Carmondean Road Livingston EH54 8PT We now run 2 monthly events in West Lothian, 'mEAT UP' and our community cinema night. We want to find out how we can improve these and what else our West Lothian members want from Gig Buddies in 2019.

We will also be joined by some freinds from Get2Gether and will be asking members to help us plan a club night we are working on for March 8th!

Edinburgh & Midlothian Saturday 16th February 12pm - 1:30pm

UPMO St Margaret's House London Road Edinburgh EH7 6AE We've got lots of plans to develop more relationships with more local music venues across 2019. We want to know what kind of events you want us to run and how we can get more people along to them!

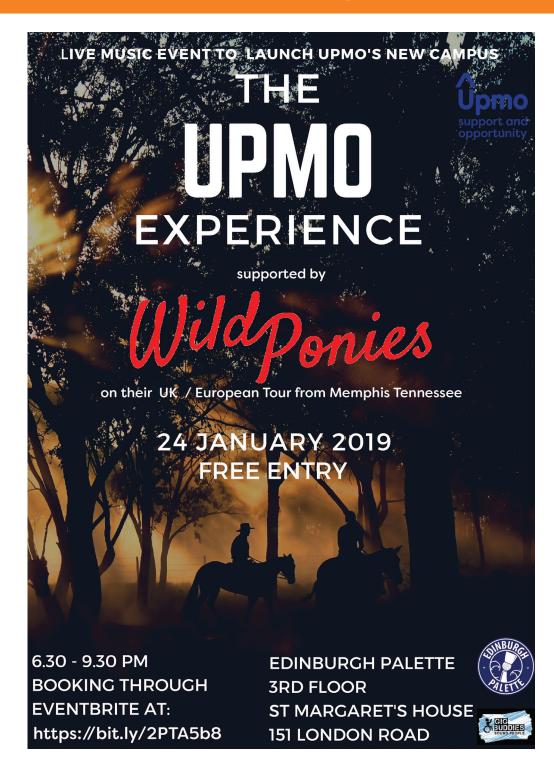
We also want to start 'mEAT UP' in Edinbugh and need your help to make it a great event from the very beginning.

UPMO Campus Launch

We're delighted that one of our first socials of 2019, will be celebreating with our long time collaborators, UPMO!

Join us on Thursday 24th January to celebrate the launch of UPMO's new campus, with live music from The UPMO Experience, and The Wild Ponies

Tickets are FREE and available using the link in the poster!





Once again we're thrilled to be working along side Independent Venue Week as an Official Charity Partner. In previous years we have worked with them to host an accessibility awareness gig, this year we're doing something slightly different. We will be running multiple socials throughout Independent Venue Week and encouraging our memebers to come along and discover their local music venue!

More details will be released soon!



For more information on Independent Venue Week head over to www.independentvenueweek.com

Celebrating the spirit of independence & The culture of live music!

For more information about any of our events get in touch with Sam!



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February 'mEAT UP' Events





"A very relaxed group of guys. "mEAT UP" would make a great night out for a lot of my friends."

West Lothian

Tuesday 12th Feb 6pm-7:30pm

The Newyearfield The Centre Livingston

Midlothian

Monday 18th Feb 6pm-7:30pm

Blacksmiths Forge Dalkieth

For more information about any of our events get in touch with Sam!



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A pause to our monthy events in January

We've now been running monthly events in West Lothian and Midlothian for a while. 'mEAT UP' is an event thats received an incredible responce in both areas and we are keen to expand into central edinburgh.

Our West Lothian Community Cinema night is growing and for our christmas event we were delighted to welcome 19 people!

We're taking a break from these events in January while we schedule the dates for the rest of the year.

February Community Cinema

Gig Buddies Scotland and Autism Initiatives Presents... West Lothian Community Cinema

Our Community Cinema events with Autism Initiatives Scotland will return in 2019! We will be starting them up again in February, be we want to hear from you! We want to know what films you want to watch over the next year.

To let us know your suggestions, come along to our West Lothian members meeting or get in touch with Sam on phone, email, or via the 'Gig Buddies Scotland' Facebook page.



Drinks @ The Jazz Bar

Our socials at The Jazz Bar in Edinburgh have always been popular, so this year we will be bringing you more of them!

Come along, grab a drink, and join us for great music in great company.

Unfortunately the venue is not wheelchair accessible.

Saturday 23rd February 2pm-5pm

> The Jazz Bar Chambers Street Edinburgh

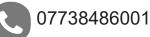
> > FREE Entry

thejazzbar

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Below is a calendar of all of the events that we have announced so far for 2019. More events will be announced in the coming weeks so be sure to keep an eye out on our facebook page or your emails for those!

The dates, time, or locations for any of these events may change. All changes will be emailed to members and posted on our Facebook page.



For more information about any of our events get in touch with Sam!



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Become an ambassador in 2019!

Over the past few months Gig Buddies member Richard has been working with Sam to create a voluntary role for our members. Early in 2019 you will have the opportunity to become a Gig Buddies Ambassador. If you want to have a bigger role in the development of Gig Buddies, this could be for you!

WE'RE LOOKING FOR MEMBERS TO BECOME GIG BUDDIES AMBASSADORS



Interview Volunteers

- Promote Gig Buddies
- Boost Conifdence
 - Get Training
 - Talk at Events

Volunteer for Gig Buddies and help spread the word!

> Limited spaces available

> > West Lothian

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Talk to Sam to find out more.



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