

## PRESS RELEASE: “Music is Magic” Charity Single

**Unique music education service The Music Man Project releases charity single “Music is Magic” to mark its West End debut at the London Palladium on Sunday June 21<sup>st</sup>**

“Music is Magic” features almost one hundred singers with learning disabilities and includes a solo from an adult student called Michelle, who could not even speak before studying at The Music Man Project. After just two years she is a recording artist and performer at the London Palladium – a feat which demonstrates just how life-changing music education can be for people with additional needs.

*“Music is Magic; it opens up your heart  
Feel it and use it, it touches every part  
Of the world we hold dear, bringing loved ones ever near  
‘Cause Music is Magic to me”*

The song was written by The Music Man Project founder, David Stanley with lyrics by David Stanley and Jenny Hitchcock. It was arranged and recorded by Al Steele.

The Music Man Project is the UK’s only permanent full time music education service specifically for children and adults with learning disabilities. It serves 3 year olds to 70 year olds and provides education, enjoyment and inspirational performance opportunities for everyone, regardless of their needs. Since starting in 2012, The Music Man Project has been commended by the Prime Minister, described as outstanding by OFSTED, and shortlisted for the BEST SEN Resource category at the Music Teacher Awards for Excellence. Following a recommendation from the Prime Minister, The Music Man Project aims to extend its impact to other communities around the country, with the long term aim of establishing a National Special Music Education Service, based on the local model run by charity Southend Mencap.



**“Music is Magic” is available to pre-order on iTunes and will be officially released for download on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June on all major digital music platforms.**

***Music is Magic at the London Palladium: Sunday June 21<sup>st</sup> at 6.30pm, featuring songs from The Music Man Project Songbook, well-known classics and the premiere of the new musical *From the Asylum to the Palladium*.***  
Tickets available from the London Palladium box office 0844 412 4655 or from [www.seetickets.com](http://www.seetickets.com).