

M2M – A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE SCHEME:

2009 saw the launch of a new scheme for the South West. 'Minor to Major' grants were developed as a way to develop strong links between member groups and our new Regional Development Officer, and to kick-start the new case study networking archive soon to come on line. With the aim of helping member groups realize dreams and innovative projects with benefits extending into the local community, £600 was awarded to winning groups, complimented by the support and advice of Making Music staff. Here is a thumbnail of the six successful projects:

CoMA – Severn Sails and Souls: contemporary Music and Dance project

- £600 awarded
- linked thematically to a boat journey down the Severn.
- workshops exploring the connections between music, dance and art.
- digital media will be used to record as well as enable wider participation.

Bournemouth Sinfonietta – Solomon: semi-staged performance

- £600 awarded
- workshops aimed at expanding appreciation of music on a broad spectrum of levels.
- forging links between youth groups and professionals.
- performance in Wimbourne Minster

Roseland Festival Assoc. – Zum Project: youth and adult outreach programme

- £600 awarded
- delivered in liaison with Gypsy Tango Trion 'Zum'
- workshops with Youth participants from four Primary Schools and one Secondary School
- composing and performing as part of an evening Festival

Bristol Choral Soc. – Reach Out and Sing: 'Sing Up' workshops

- £600 award
- 6 hours of singing workshops in two schools
- lead by an experienced champion
- culminates in a performance, including shared pieces alongside adults

Somerset Chamber Choir – Bridging the Gap: bringing together youth music groups with the adult choir

- £600 award
- consultation and workshops assessing and addressing the difficulty of recruiting Young People
- performance, including a recording.
- findings will lead into the creation of a Junior Membership Scheme

Exeter Choral Society – Exeter Choral Society In The Community

Broadening Community Involvement and membership of the group.

- £600 award
- workshops coaching local children take a lead role in the performance
- finding ways to broad audiences within their community
- follow up work with the school children to forge new links and develop ongoing relationships