



*Photos from Muckle Sing 2020 with
Christine Kydd as tutor*

(Photos: Paul Streater)

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MUCKLE SING 2023

Saturday 11th February 2023: 10.00am to 5.30pm

Queen Margaret Hall, Blackness Road, Linlithgow, EH49 7JA

Back by popular demand! An event for community singing groups and for individual singers, including morning and afternoon workshops, a performance platform and a short concert from our tutor.

All welcome, from the beginner to the experienced performer - no need to be able to read music.

OUR TUTOR: Jo Miller

Jo Miller is a singer, fiddler, ethnomusicologist, and community musician. She is based in Stirling where she leads the house singing group 'Our Front Room', whose diverse repertoire ranges from Scots songs to jazz and pop. She also tutors the Tolbooth's adult fiddle class. Jo grew up in Galloway, SW Scotland, and is currently working on an album of music from the area. As a performer, she enjoys bringing new life to songs from archives and published sources. As a music leader, Jo is particularly interested in learning and teaching in community-based environments. Her book *Community-based Traditional Music in Scotland: A Pedagogy of Participation* has just been published by Routledge. Together with TRACS (Traditional Arts and Culture Scotland), she organises mentoring programmes for traditional musicians, dancers and storytellers. In 2017, Jo received the Hamish Henderson Award for services to traditional music.



Programme

10am Doors open - Registration/coffee
10.30 - 12.30 Muckle Sing Workshop Session 1
12.30 - 13.45 Lunch and informal singing session
14.00 - 15.45 Muckle Sing Workshop Session 2
15.45 - 16.00 Tea Break
16.00 - 16.45 Performance Platform for groups
16.45 - 17.15 Concert - Jo Miller
17.15 - 17.45 Clearing up: any help appreciated!

Performance Platform

An opportunity for community singing groups who wish to perform songs from their own repertoire for the entertainment of other participants. (No compulsion, very informal, and you are among friends!)

Groups wishing to perform should prepare up to three songs. If possible, let Susan Streater know in advance if your group wishes to perform - there is a means of doing this on the booking form.

Refreshments

Please remember that lunch is not supplied. You are welcome to bring your own or patronise the local supermarket, bakeries or local cafes, just along the road. Feel free to bring your food back to the venue, and sing once you've eaten.

Tea, coffee, juice, tap water and biscuits are available during the day (small donation requested).

Ticket prices

Full price - £18.00, Concessions - £15.00

Concessions

Individual Concession price is available to TMSA members, students, Age 60+, unemployed, disabled people and their helper.

Groups which hold affiliated membership of the TMSA will be entitled to the concessionary rate for ALL participants in that group. If you are not sure whether your group is affiliated or not, before sending in your booking, please check with Susan Streater: her contact details are in the Enquiries section of this leaflet.

How to make a booking

1. Postal booking - please use separate Booking Form

Please complete form(s) and a cheque. We can:

- send you tickets (you must enclose stamped addressed envelope if you want to receive them by post), or
- send you an email confirmation, to print out or to show us on your phone or other device on the day.

Cheques payable to: **EDINBURGH & LOTHIAN TMSA** (Please do **NOT** make payable to the TMSA, which has a separate bank account).

Send Booking Form and cheque to: **Susan Streater**, 72 Deanburn Park, Linlithgow, West Lothian EH49 6HA

2. Online bookings

You can **book online** by paying through the Paypal link in the Muckle Sing post (dated 12 December 2022) at www.eltmsa.org.uk

Please note you don't need a Paypal account to pay securely through Paypal, but you will need to give an email address during the process so you can be emailed a receipt of your payment, which will also act as your ticket(s). There's also a **small Paypal admin fee** of 55p already added in.

Enquiries

Telephone: 01506 843592 or 07557 797139, or email:

susan.streater@hotmail.co.uk

Location and parking

Queen Margaret Hall is in the grounds of St Michael's RC Church, and shares an entrance and car-park with the church. The nearby Tesco car park is limited to 2 hours and is monitored, so don't park there!

Map ref for Queen Margaret Hall <https://goo.gl/maps/1S4mogUHh2E2>

Disabled access: excellent, both for entry to building and for toilets.

How to get there

Driving from the east, leave M9 (westbound) at J3, follow road signs into Linlithgow. About 400 yards after 30 mph signs, Queen Margaret Hall (QMH) is on your **right** in the grounds of St Michael's Church.

Driving from the west, leave M9 (eastbound) at Junction 4, and follow signs into and through Linlithgow. At mini-roundabout at far (east) end of High Street (by Tesco), take left fork onto Blackness Rd, and go 250yds, turning left into the grounds of St Michael's Church.

Buses: frequent service to and from Edinburgh and Stirling on X38. Get off near Tesco.

Trains: Direct service from Edinburgh and Glasgow Queen St. Queen Margaret Hall is a short walk (350 yards) from the station. Cross Linlithgow High Street, turn right and follow Blackness Road past Tesco.