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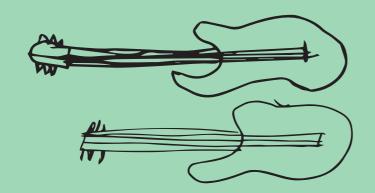
It all came together at this big event -Our Own Thing - where people get to share their work, show their parents and all their family and friends, and other people that will come and enjoy it.

We had big ambitions to have as many young people involved in the event as we could and not be limited to just music, we wanted to show what Do Your Own Thing is all about.

We did this by mixing visual arts with music and it had a big influence on what was made. It meant we could find new ways of working that brought the best out in people. From Danielle's piece, 'We Did Some Gardening' which started out as a visual score, to Aysen conducting LSO musicians with her 'Colour Magic' live drawing, to Samir animating his song-story for his performance, the art and music on the night were as important as each other.

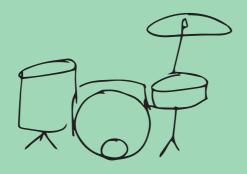
Do Your Own Thing is an event that happens once a month where young people can come and they can get skills in doing lots of different types of art forms. A lot of music happens, visual arts, DJing, radio and pretty much whatever people want to try and however they want to develop. It's about that and also meeting people.





nusicians worked with 9
LSO musicians. Each piece
of music was created in a
different way over 8 sessions
and rehearsals. There
were 12 performances, 11
original pieces of music and
1 jazz standard. 93 people
attended the event at St.
Luke's church.





Songs

Orange Fire by Alexi This Town Is My Home by Raf My Brother Zak by Samir I Love You by K-Dog Autumn Leaves by David Kiss Crazy Nights by Ehima All I See Are Beautiful Girls by K-Dog Don't Stay With Us by Raf Colour Magic by Aysen We Did Some Gardening by Danielle Keep On Moving by Electric Fire Constructing by YOU...



Heart n Soul

RICHARD - ARTIST NED - MUSICIAN HANNAH - DIGITAL ARTIST JOHN - MUSICIAN BEN - VISUAL ARTIST MARIE - RADIO PRODUCER

Musicians from The London Symphony Orchestra

JEZ - ARTIST ANNA - VIOLA GERRY - TRUMPET TRISH - FLUTE AMANDA - CELLO JONATHAN - HORN



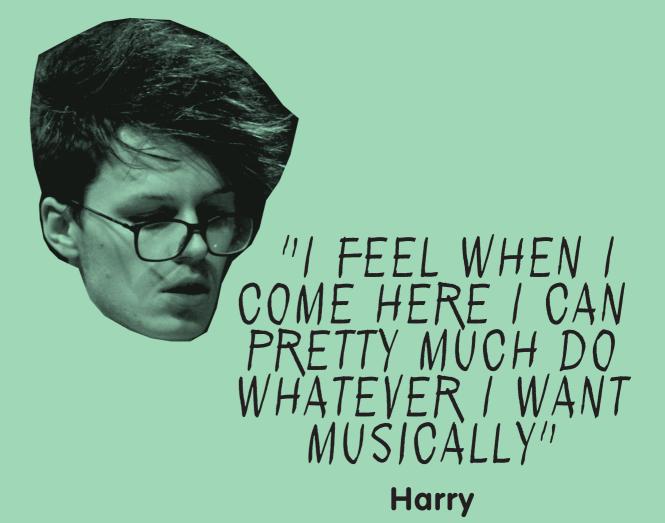
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Leoni



"I'm really proud of this event because it's the Heart n Soul artists, the LSO musicians and the other artists supporting everyone that have come up with everything in this concert so it's grown on its own."

David, LSO Discovery

"Everyone has worked so hard on creating Our Own Thing and it's easily one of the best things I've ever been involved with. It's amazing to be part of something so free, creative and with everyone allowed to take ownership over what it is. It's such a brilliant example of how building structures for people and putting trust in them allows the space to create incredible things you never could have predicted. I feel very lucky to be a part of tonight!"

Richard, Heart n Soul





"I feel hugely proud of the event, it's one of the best things I've ever done. There's so many people putting so much love and care and experience and expertise and some amazing young musicians who are incredibly creative, and we get to play their music!"

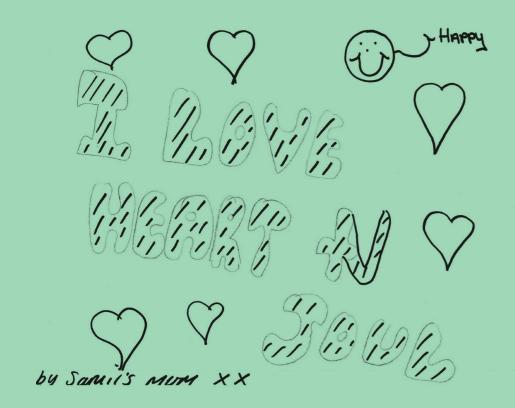
Jez, LSO Artist

"This event is important because it's showing the huge amount of talent there is at Heart n Soul that comes out of Do Your Own Thing. It's also important that people who come to Do Your Own Thing get to work alongside some of the best classical musicians in the world, we're just so lucky to work with these people. Also, I don't mind saying that I think they're pretty lucky to be working with us as well! It's important because it shows what is possible and I think everyone should be really proud of what they've done."

Jenny, Heart n Soul



The Audience



relaxing! fun!
relaxing! exciting!
full of energy.

Amazing, wonderful show.

in awe of the talent and confidence that everyone showed.

The screen with the artwork.

The mix of people.

The great music.

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Instagram

Joy – davidjeremy56

what an amazing night -coke3359

Good Icky tonight DJ Shalim -shakim86

What. A. Night. @heartnsoulpics at LSO St Lukes and the @londonsymphonyorchestra -jezwiles

So this evening thanks to @davidjeremy56 I had my first experience of @heartnsoulpics with the LSO at St Luke's church. Just the most fantastic evening of rap, song, art-inspired orchestral music and music-inspired art. And it ended up with everyone banging all manner of instruments and hollering and beaming the roof off again. Heart and Soul completely! Check them out. They're at @ roundhouseldn on March 7th! #heartnsoul #electricfire #fishpolice #k-dog #raph #lso #danielle #ludo #djcoke #djomg #m.u.r.c. #doyourownthing

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