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Since 1990, LSO Discovery has been bringing music to everybody, through a year-round programme of over 1,000 workshops and 70 concerts, reaching approximately 70,000 people each year. In particular, we are delighted to help young people, using music to develop the skills and talents that they need to succeed in 21st century Britain.

LSO DISCOVERY & REFLECTIONS OF THE LORD MAYOR

None of this transformative work can happen without support.

During Sir Andrew Parmley's time as Lord Mayor, we were delighted to be a recipient of the Lord Mayor's Appeal. The Funds raised through the Appeal help secure the future of LSO Discovery programmes at a time when it is ever more important to guarantee access to cultural activity for young people, many of whom are in challenging circumstances.

We are delighted to have this opportunity to say thank you, and wish you all a wonderful evening.

To find out more about LSO Discovery, please visit lso.co.uk/discovery or contact Andra East, Acting Head of LSO Discovery - andra.east@lso.co.uk

Here we speak to participants whose projects have been supported -

LSO ON TRACK

JAYRO VIAPREE, VIOLA

'Playing at the Opening Ceremony of the Olympic Games in 2012 with LSO On Track, I remember thinking, 'How on earth did I end up here?', because I'd never thought that people from my area would get an opportunity like that. I also performed in a BMW Classics open-air concert with the LSO in Trafalgar Square, and was given the chance to present a behind-the-scenes video. This opened my eyes to the endless possibilities that being a musician could lead to. The LSO On Track programme had a personal, lasting impression on me, and helped me decide to study music at university.'

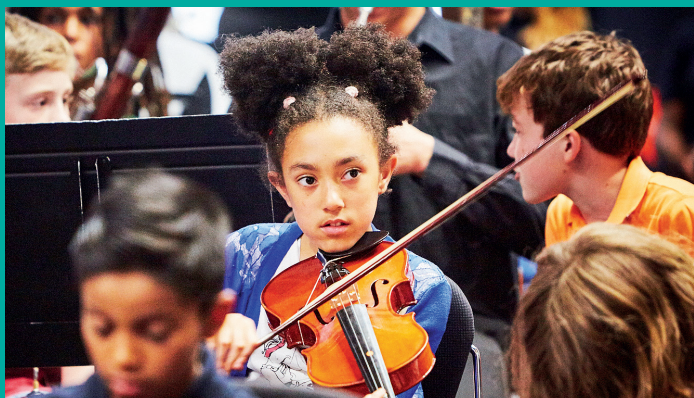
LSO COMMUNITY & DISCOVERY CHOIRS

NANA WOOD, SOPRANO

'I've been a member of the Community Choir for just over a year, and my daughters are members of the Discovery Senior and Junior Choirs. I've been singing for as long as I can remember, and joining the Community Choir is probably one of the best things I've done - I didn't realise how much I'd missed being in a choir.

My daughters have been singing since they were toddlers. My eldest, Evelyn, joined the Discovery Choir a few years ago, and one of the highlights for us was that she was chosen to sing the solo in *Once in Royal David's City* for the LSO Choral Christmas concert at the Barbican. Rosanna joined last year and she's having a really good time. It's something we do as a family - we always look forward to Mondays, going to LSO St Luke's. It's built our confidence, and we've been able to meet different people.

If anyone wanted to join the choir but wasn't sure, I'd say come along - we'll stop you feeling nervous. The Community Choir is like a family - it's teamwork. Go for it and enjoy it!



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