

Grunt Productions

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About Grunt Productions:

Grunt Production personnel are all active performing and recording musicians. The main nucleus is a quartet but we regularly incorporate other players

We have all come from a background of performing with many years of experience between us. Knowledge and familiarity of a large range of music is key to the diversity and integrity of all Grunt Productions work. We have performed and worked with music in a vast array of situations to which we have been able to adapt.

Our open minded approach means that we are ever searching for more influences and opportunities to learn. The enthusiasm we all have is at the forefront of our work in this field and our main aim is to pass this enthusiasm and thirst for knowledge on. We believe that technical skill and theoretical understanding of music are essential bases for musical excellence and integrity.

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improvisation
workshops

Jazz, funk, improvisation
concerts



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Drum circles

In a drum circle people gather together with the goal of creating music with drums. Drum circles have an ability to focus a group of individuals into integrating themselves into a unit. A drum circle suits all ages and any level of musical experience.

As well as developing a sense of community, drum circles develop:

- Listening skills*
- Performance and confidence*
- Creative ideas*
- Unity and balance*
- And above all are fun.*

These qualities are all crucial in the educational and corporate world. However a circle can just be great fun for a party.

Schools and Education

We provide a basic understanding and application of the techniques for playing many drums of various cultures. We aim to advance the understanding of rhythm and encourage improvisation and experimentation through groove and games. We can adapt to the requirements of the class.

Corporate Events

In the corporate environment it is important that great emphasis is placed on the team, drum circles can focus a group towards creating and improvising collectively. This makes drum circles a very effective team building exercise.

Weddings + Parties + Festivals

Through-out the world music is used to mark events of celebration. It is common for people to have a drum circle before or after the Grunt Productions band and it is a nice way for people to join in the music. Drum circles are marvelous fun where anyone can participate and are perfect for bringing people together.

The Drums

We provide a wide range of drums and percussion from around the world.

The drums used were mostly purchased from money provided by the millennium award scheme which made it possible to buy high quality instruments. Our drums include African Djembe, Turkish Dumbeks, Latin American Surdos and Congas, Indian drums and miscellaneous percussion. This combination of instruments makes for a well rounded sound and drum circle, with a drum suitable for everybody.

All drums are provided.



Improvisation Workshops

The improvising workshops have been created and developed for schools, colleges and universities. They tackle the common 'block' on how to improvise, ideal now that improvising and creativity is at last seen as vital in education. The Blues is the basis used and works in association with the 'Jammin' The Blues' books and CDs. Participants are encouraged to prepare for the session by learning four blues scales and are taken step by step in how to create their own melodies, whilst a blues band accompanies them. Each participant needs some musical experience on any instrument.

Concerts

Our concerts are a unique experience for listeners. World Music is an apt description with the use of Gongs, Tibetan bowls, African drums, tablas, drum set, clarinets and saxophones, piano, bass, Latin percussion plus much more. All improvised. All at the levels the instruments were designed to be at. Concentrating on sonic quality rather than volume.

Dance bands

The Grunt Productions dance bands can be tailored for many situations, from Jazz, to Funk Disco and Drum and Bass. It is perfect for weddings, functions, parties, corporate events and many other situations. We can incorporate singers and requests with notice.