

Galashiels Town Band

PRESS RELEASE



Gala Youth Band receives grant from Creative Scotland

Galashiels Town Band is delighted to announce the award of £2,000 from Creative Scotland under their Youth Music Initiative. The grant is to support workshops, tuition and uniforms for the new Youth Band.

The Band is carrying out a series of recruitment workshops in the Galashiels Primary schools with Primary 5 and Primary 6 pupils. The intention is to build a group of youngsters who learn and play music together.

The Gala Youth Band will be taught by Stuart Black, a well known local flugel horn player. Stuart said “Our objective is to make the Youth Band fun and to build a great team spirit. We will be taking the Gala Youth Band to local and national championships as well as playing local concerts.”

The Youth Band meets in the band hall, 6a Roxburgh Street at 6:30 PM on Tuesdays and no prior musical experience is required. There is no charge for the tuition or instruments provided.

Band Chairman, John Hind, said “As a former youth player in Galashiels Town Band myself, I know how much I learned as a young player. The band believes it is important to be able to offer this opportunity regardless of a family’s financial resources. We are grateful to this support from Creative Scotland as one significant element in our program to re-build the band. We aim to encourage the folk of Gala, of all ages, to be proud supporters of the band.”

The band’s next appearance in the town will be at their Coffee Morning in Trinity Church Hall on 2nd April.

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