An Evening of Christmas Music

Our virtual event

8 December 2021
7:00pm

Together we will beat cancer
Welcome

I’m Samantha Devlin, Head of Legacies, at Cancer Research UK. I am so pleased to welcome you, from your homes across the UK and beyond, to join us at our Virtual Evening of Christmas Music.

You’ve been invited by the Legacy team. Gifts in Wills fund over a third of our research and we know that many of you have made the decision to leave a gift in your Will. If this is something you have done, or are thinking about, then please accept my special thanks.

The work that we do, that you help make possible, means that more people will survive their cancer diagnosis in the future, more people will celebrate more Christmases with their families and more people will receive kinder, more effective treatments. However you support us, you are making a difference and we are very grateful.

I hope you enjoy this event which brings together science, song and celebration. I would like to warmly wish you a peaceful Christmas and a happy 2022.

Thank you.

Samantha Devlin
Head of Legacies, Cancer Research UK
How gifts in Wills make a difference

We do hope that you have enjoyed this event and that it has shown you just how vital gifts in Wills are to our future progress.

Gifts in Wills fund a third of our work and, without supporters remembering us in this way, we simply would not make the progress we do.

We can’t do it alone but, by working together, combining your gift with our expertise we can, and will, beat cancer for future generations.

If you have already left a gift in your Will then please accept our sincere thanks. If it is something you had perhaps not yet considered then we hope this evening may inspire you to do so. Leaving a gift to charity is not for everyone and, of course, deciding which people and causes you include in your Will is a personal choice.

However you choose to help, you play a part in the progress we make.

If you would like further information on any aspect of our work, then please do get in touch using our feedback form.

If you are interested in other ways to support Cancer Research UK, please visit [www.cancerresearchuk.org](http://www.cancerresearchuk.org) or call [0300 123 1861](tel:03001231861) for more information
About the music

Hosting this event virtually has given us the opportunity to bring you festive music from three fantastic choirs.

Get Gospel

Get Gospel are London’s finest gospel and soul ensemble. As an exceptional collective of singers, Get Gospel are highly sought after both individually and as a choir.

Their singers have performed individually with some incredible artists, such as Stevie Wonder, Gorillaz, Candi Staton, Gareth Malone, Jocelyn Brown, Foals and Pharrell Williams among many others. You may have heard them perform together on BBC Radio 1Xtra, BBC Radio 2, Songs of Praise and BBC London, and on numerous TV adverts (for which they’ve written and performed original music).

Get Gospel pride themselves on bringing something completely unique and delivering truly memorable performances. They love to see their music touch people’s hearts and make their dreams come true.

Get Gospel hope you enjoy their contribution to this year’s event and wish you all a very Merry Christmas.
Rock Choir

Rock Choir is the UK’s leading contemporary award-winning choir experience offering access to a choir in more than 400 towns and communities across the UK.

Rock Choir was created by singer and musician, Caroline Redman Lusher and remains a family-run organisation originating in Farnham, Surrey in 2005. She initiated a brand new, accessible and glamorous approach to contemporary community singing which grew quickly and dramatically from humble beginnings into what it is today.

They have won various awards and achievements including: 3 Guinness World Records and the Red Ribbon ‘Big Heart Award’. Rock Choir were also the subject of the hugely popular 2011 ITV1 Documentary series, ‘The Choir That Rocks’ which followed their journey to a landmark show at Wembley Arena.

Rock Choir welcome you to the event and hope you enjoy their selection of Christmas songs.

The Big choir

The Big Choir is a community fundraising choir that was formed in February 2016 by Sharon Czapnik Down with the aim of raising money for Cancer Research UK, and in particular The Francis Crick Institute. To date they have donated £156,000 to Cancer Research UK, something they are all very proud of.

The Big Choir are very excited to be part of this event and wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
This evening’s Programme

About the event

The Evening of Christmas Music is one of science, celebration and song. Hosted by Helen Smith, Senior Legacy Manager and Dr Sam Godfrey, we will bring our science to life sharing the latest information from one of Cancer Research UK’s Grand Challenge projects. To celebrate our progress, Clive Barley & Steve Browne will be sharing the gift of their story.
Sing along with us

If you want to sing along, we have included the words to two of the songs so you can join in with us.

O Little Town of Bethlehem

O little town of Bethlehem
How still we see thee lie.
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep,
The silent stars go by.
Yet in the dark streets shineth,
The everlasting Light,
The hopes and fears of all the years,
Are met in thee tonight.

O morning stars together,
Proclaim the holy birth.
And praises sing to God the King,
And Peace to men on earth.
For Christ is born of Mary,
And gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love.

How silently, how silently,
The wondrous gift is given.
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven.
No ear may hear His coming
But in this world of sin
Where meek souls will receive him still
The dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem
Descend to us, we pray,
Cast out our sin and enter in
Be born to us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell,
O come to us, abide with us
Our Lord Emmanuel.
Jingle Bell Rock

Jingle bell, jingle bell, jingle bell rock
Jingle bells swing and jingle bells ring
Snowin’ and blowin’ up bushels of fun
Now the jingle hop has begun

Jingle bell, jingle bell, jingle bell rock
Jingle bells chime in jingle bell time
Dancin’ and prancin’ in Jingle Bell Square
In the frosty air

What a bright time, it’s the right time
To rock the night away
Jingle bell time is a swell time
To go glidin’ in a one-horse sleigh

Giddy-up jingle horse, pick up your feet
Jingle around the clock
Mix and a-mingle in the jinglin’ feet
That’s the jingle bell rock

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Meet your local

Legacy Relationship Manager

We are a community based team covering the United Kingdom. Our Legacy Relationship Managers are able to answer any questions you may have about gifts in Wills. They travel around their regions, meeting Cancer Research UK supporters, giving talks about our ground-breaking progress and hosting fantastic events.

Our Inspire events provide an amazing opportunity for people considering leaving a gift in their Will, to meet our science teams and see some of our incredible research advances first hand. If you would like to come to one of our events or are interested in finding out more about legacy gifts, we would be delighted to hear from you.

You can find your local Legacy Relationship Manager at cruks.org/contact-your-clm

If you are a Legal Professional, and want to know more about what we are doing in your area then you can find your local Legacy Partnerships Manager at cruks.org/legal-hub

cruk.org/giftsinwills
Our Free Will Service allows anyone aged 18 or over to update a simple Will for free. Most people who use the service leave a gift to Cancer Research UK. Their support is helping to beat cancer for future generations.

How you can write your Will with us:

**Face to Face**
Write or update your Will in person with one of our nationwide partnered solicitors. Most of our solicitors can offer guidance over the phone, please contact the firm for more information.

Find your nearest participating solicitor by calling **0300 123 7733** or online at **www.cruk.org/fws**

**Online**
Write your Will online in 30 minutes with professional support from Farewill. You can also start your Will online with Co-op Legal Services and get a follow-up call to discuss and finalise.

Both options are available in England and Wales.

Visit: **www.cruk.org/fws**

**Over the phone**
Create your simple Will over the phone with Co-op Legal Services.

Available in England and Wales.

Phone **0330 606 9613**
or arrange a call back on **cruk.org/fws**

In Northern Ireland the telephone service is provided by Hunt Solicitors.

Phone **028 90 428 600**
Your feedback

We really value your feedback, this will help us to continue to improve the way our events are run. Please look out for the feedback form at the end of the event, which you will be able to use to ask us any questions or to request more information. The feedback form will only be available after the live event and not if you are watching on demand.

We would be very grateful if you could also use the form to let us know what you thought about the event.

Alternatively, please feel free to get in touch with us on legacyevents@cancer.org.uk or by contacting your local Legacy Relationship Manager at www.cruk.org/contact-your-clm
Season’s greetings
to you and your family from all of us at Cancer Research UK

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