



## CITIZENSHIP AWARD WINNERS 2020

### DANIEL BATH

Daniel Bath has been contributing to the musical life of Todmorden for over 20 years, as a performer, teacher, composer, conductor, and founder of the Todmorden based charity Music for the Many. Daniel has put in countless hours of unpaid effort for the benefit of many hundreds of children.

Music for the Many provides musical instruments and professional music teaching to ensure every child in Todmorden who wants to can learn to play or sing regardless of their background or family income. It also nurtures new generations of Todmorden talent, continuing a proud tradition of local music-making.

Daniel's network of professional contacts has enabled Music for the Many to organise workshops in schools led by world-class musicians, with the added benefit to the town of fantastic fundraising concerts in community venues. Recent examples include Manouche North (gypsy jazz and klezmer), Shahbaz Hussain (Indian classical tabla) with the Yorkshire Bollywood Orchestra.

Daniel's tireless encouragement, generous appreciation of amateur performers and enthusiasm for all styles of music inspires young and old to discover new experiences. His friendly, relaxed and humorous approach puts even the most nervous at ease. Since arriving here he has been an active citizen, supporting other groups' fundraising events, flood relief activities and local institutions like the Choral Society. The common thread linking all his projects is supporting children and adults to discover the joys of making music together, making Todmorden in every sense a more harmonious place.

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