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## ORCHESTRA ONE: A CELEBRATION OF THEIR GENERATION

Kent Music's Orchestra ONE spring project came to a crescendo with a concert for an audience of friends and family at the Hazlitt Arts Centre in Maidstone last week (Apr 5).

Orchestra ONE workshops encourage young musicians to write their own lyrics and melodies and experiment with different textures in sound, using a variety of instrument and vocal combinations. The group combines the skills and imagination of the newest and youngest participants with those of members who have been attending the workshops since the first course in 2011.

Project Manager Sue Marlow said: "Orchestra ONE participants and tutors developed the theme of 'My Generation' with great enthusiasm creating an exciting performance of interesting instrumental content and thought provoking, inventive lyrics. The audience clearly loved it!"

In keeping with the theme, vocalists created lyrics that included 'being loving, respectful and kind is the way to go' and 'changing our world for the better will not be easy, but we will try'.

Orchestra ONE courses are free to join and open to young people, aged 8 to 18, from across Kent. All musical styles, instruments and levels of ability are welcome.

The next Orchestra ONE project is scheduled for the beginning of August. For more information or to register your interest please get in touch on 01622 358405, [orchestraone@kent-music.com](mailto:orchestraone@kent-music.com) or visit <http://www.kent-music.com/O1>.



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### **Notes to Editors**

**Kent Music**, founded in 1948, is a registered education charity and lead partner for the music education hub in Kent. It employs peripatetic teachers to deliver instrumental and vocal teaching across the county through individual lessons, small groups and through whole class teaching in schools. The charity runs county groups and local ensembles, and the Kent Music Summer School has been held at Benenden for nearly 70 years. Kent Music is a partner in music education with Kent County Council.

**Orchestra ONE**, the Orchestra of New Experiences, thrives on the diversity of instrumentation, genre, age and experience which every participant brings to each of the projects. Combined with changing themes and regular opportunities to learn a new instrument or skill, Orchestra ONE enables its members to create innovative new music and develop their confidence and experience.

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