



# Membership Application Form

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# How to join the TMSA and support our work

If you wish to join the TMSA, please complete the adjoining form (in block capitals); then sign, and post it to the TMSA National Office, accompanied by a cheque, postal order or go online at www.tmsa.org.uk (and click on the membership page) to pay either by debit/credit card through Paypal, or Direct Debit from your bank account through the GoCardless system.

Please consider paying by direct debit, as this greatly helps our administration.

If you are a UK tax payer, please help to increase the value of your subscription with Gift Aid by 25p for every £1! See the application form for details.

The TMSA has branches across Scotland, and you will be assigned to your nearest branch, unless you wish otherwise.

# **Categories of Membership**

Individual Standard

18 + years

Individual Concession under 18 or 18 + and also OAP, unemployed, disabled or student in full time education

Individual Premium a premium individual membership with enhanced benefits any 2 adults at the same address plus children under the age of 18

Affiliate an individual, group or organisation that wishes to support our work and to qualify for the affiliate benefits

**Corporate** a commercial business that wishes to support our work

**Life Membership** Individual Standard membership for life

# About Gift Aid

Under the Gift Aid scheme, the TMSA can reclaim tax from the UK Inland Revenue on donations made by UK taxpayers. This means that, if you pay tax in the UK, any monetary gift to us (and this includes your subscription) can be increased by nearly a third – at no extra cost to you.

### **Standard Membership Benefits**

- by post or email each quarter, the TMSA Newsletter packed with information;
- by post as soon as it is published in the year, the TMSA Event Calendar an annual festival calendar of traditional music events across Scotland;
- discounts at TMSA events and from major specialist traditional music retailers and others (see website for details)
- access to a network of individuals with similar interests;
- a vote at our Annual General Meeting, which determines national policy.

### **Premium Membership Benefits**

Standard Membership Benefits PLUS

On joining or moving to Premium Membership – a copy of each available TMSA Young Trad Tour CD Each year a copy of the TMSA Young Trad Tour CD posted to you as soon as it is launched. Each year two tickets to your choice of one of the concerts in the TMSA Young Trad Tour.

### **Affiliate Benefits**

Standard Membership Benefits PLUS Publicity Mailing Service, and Discounted Listing Fee

### Leaflet Mailing Service

the TMSA will distribute any one leaflet you have with one of our membership newsletters a year - at no extra cost (as long as your enclosures don't take us into a higher postage bracket – in this event we will only charge the postage difference). Extra insertions are available at very reasonable rates - please enquire for details from the TMSA Office.

# Publicity Assistance and Press Release Service

Help with publicising your events with online listings, social media and a press release service for both national and local press.

Discounted Fee for Listing in annual TMSA Event Calendar.

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Already a TMSA member?	Membership No.
First Adult / Organi	<u>isation</u>
Title (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Dr e	tc)
Surname	
Forename (s)	
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Date of Birth 1	
Second Adult / Or	ganisation Contact
Title (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Dr e	etc)
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Surname	
Forename (s)	
Date of Birth 2	

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# About the TMSA

Since its foundation in 1966, The Traditional Music and Song Association of Scotland (TMSA) has helped to foster and promote Scotland's unique musical traditions.

The TMSA is a membership organisation open to all.
Our members include music enthusiasts, festival fans, amateur and professional performers, tutors, academics and entire families.

The annual TMSA Event Calendar gives invaluable information about traditional music festivals and events in Scotland. It is available in print or download from our website <a href="www.tmsa.org.uk">www.tmsa.org.uk</a>. The website also contains a wealth of other useful information, including local traditional music sessions.

The TMSA encourages both widespread popular participation and individual artistic excellence. Its branches provide opportunities for participation (as performer and audience) for people of all ages and abilities by running festivals, ceilidhs, concerts, workshops, tours and competitions. The local branches are each involved in sustaining the specific cultural traditions of their area, as well as those of Scotland as a whole.

Each year, the TMSA organises a national tour of the finalists of the BBC Radio Scotland Young Traditional Musician of the Year Competition – The TMSA Young Trad Tour. As well as performing in concerts, the young musicians meet tradition bearers and give workshops for schools and the general public. CDs of the 2004 - 2015 Tours are available from a variety of suppliers, including the TMSA website.

In 2014, as part of the second Homecoming Year, the TMSA organised traditional music sessions throughout Scotland.

In partnership with other traditional arts organisations, the TMSA campaigns to have the intrinsic value of Scottish Traditional Art forms recognised and to secure current and future funding for them.

For more information please visit our website www.tmsa.org.uk.