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OXFORD  
RECORDING  
SOCIETY

The University of  
Oxford's new student  
music industry hub



**LAUNCH BOOKLET**

Information for prospective members, 2021

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# ABOUT THE ORS

The *Oxford Recording Society* is a new student society focused on developing an all-encompassing mini music industry in Oxford, run by students, for students. We are Oxford's first music industry society.

We want to become a hub for connecting Oxford to the wider music industry, both in the UK and worldwide, and we want to widen Oxford's music scene to better reflect the tastes of all students.

Our society is a safe-space for any student with music industry aspirations or interests, and our members will have opportunities to engage with all areas of the industry, from making/performing music & the artistic side (album art, music videos, etc.), to organising and attending music-based events/talks, and discovering the business side of music.

For more about our goals: <https://oxrs.uk>



—// ORS PRESIDENT

*"I am very proud to be the president of this ORS committee at such an important time. We started off well last year despite the pandemic, organizing online performance opportunities, facilitating musical collaboration and bringing industry professionals from music journalism, radio and production to Oxford, albeit via Zoom. I'm excited now for the chance to build Oxford's new music industry community in person and launch our membership. This is also just the beginning."*

*Our events/opportunities will get even better as we grow, into the rest of this year. We'll begin connecting to the wider industry, and invite big music industry professionals to Oxford to give talks; build up our community and kickstart collaboration amongst members; and continue seeking more opportunities for our members to engage with the music industry in a professional, but laid back setting, including equipment to rent, practice rooms and more studio time "*



# MEMBERSHIP MEMBERSHIP

What we offer now. What we hope to offer in the future.

## LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

**Get directly involved in Oxford's student-led music industry:**



**Music industry Speaker Events, Workshops & Socials** – Members get free lifetime access to all ORS events (see "Term Card" and "Future of the ORS" for current and future events).



**Access our web platform, a social network for Oxford musicians/budding industry professionals for opportunities and collaboration** – members get an account on our website (see *next page*) where they can find other ORS members to find collaborators, or use the Opportunities Feed to find music industry experiences organised by us, fellow members or our 3rd party contacts (like studios, venues and Oxford ball committees).



**Get in the studio and record your music** – the ORS has a collaboration with SAE Studios, Oxford, where members can get studio time to record their work for free.



**Release your music** – our record label, OX Records, is fully operational and can give your music a proper release (with album art, music videos, aid with distribution, showcasing opportunities/gigs and dedicated promotion).



**Get involved in building Oxford's new music scene** – members can run for committee and get involved in subcommittees to run the different parts of Oxford's mini music industry (music making/performing, art/media, events & business).

**In the future:**

- Rent equipment for free, get discounts from music-based companies.
- Get even more studio / practice room slots for free.
- Get reduced prices to ORS club nights and gigs.
- Find education and networking opportunities with industry professionals.

**£15**

~~£25~~

**LAUNCH DISCOUNT**

## JOIN THE MAILING LIST

- Free membership alternative.
- Get informed about all our events and buy tickets to attend them.
- Join our facebook group to get notified about opportunities and meet other Oxford students interested in the music industry

**FREE**

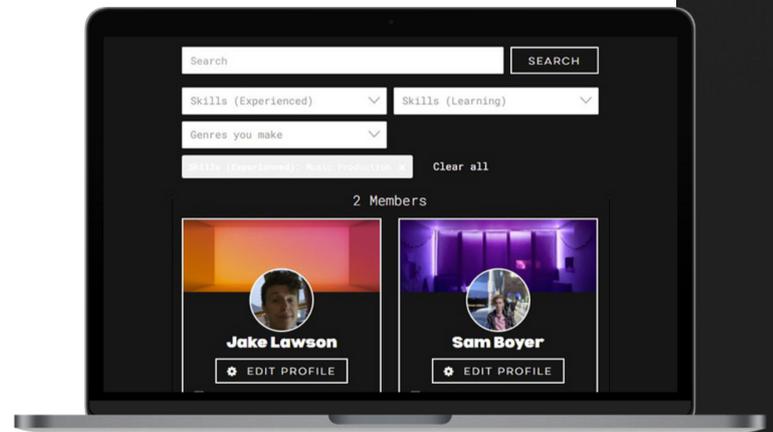
# MEMBERSHIP BENEFIT: ORS WEB PLATFORM

The online hub for Oxford's new mini music industry



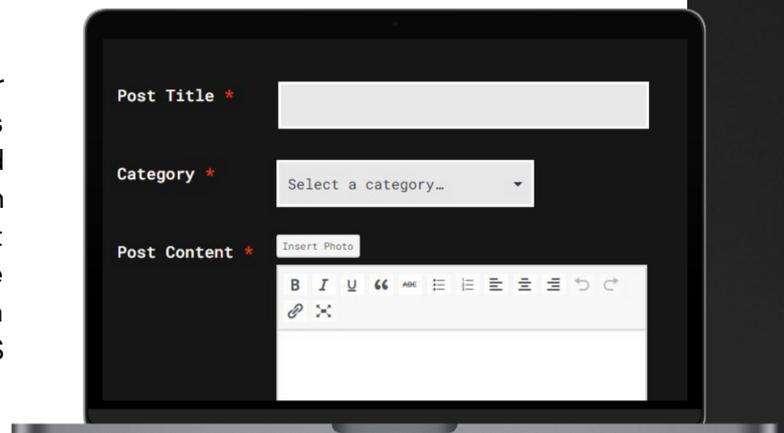
## MEMBERS DATABASE

Use the Members Database to find other ORS members to collaborate with on your projects. Sort by genre, music skills & interests to find meet others and find the perfect collaborator to complement your skills.



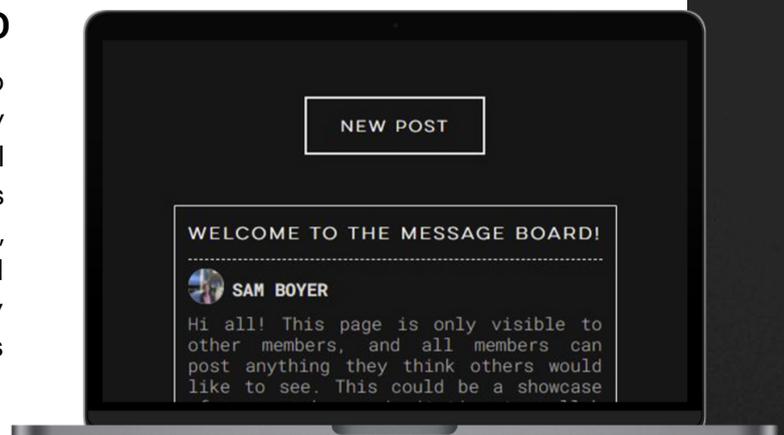
## POST YOUR PROJECT

Collaborate even better through the Opportunities feed. Post your project and what you need and people can get involved. Or even post something new you've made to get feedback or start a discussion with other ORS members.



## OPPORTUNITIES FEED

Use the Opportunities feed to see all new music industry opportunities on offer. You will be able to see posts from us when we organise something, other ORS members, and posts from our 3rd party contacts, (like studios, venues and ball committees).



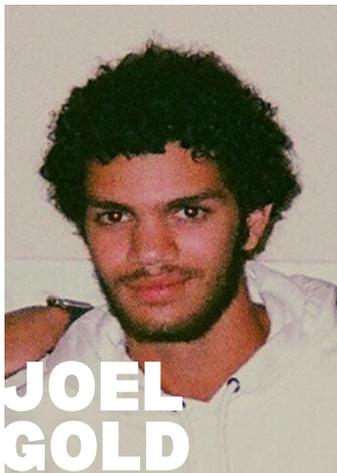
# MUSIC MAKING & PERFORMING WITH THE ORS



Music Making+Performing  
with the ORS



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**JOEL  
GOLD**

—// ARTIST'S OFFICER

**"**Hi, I'm Joel, the Artist's Officer for the ORS, which means I'm the head of the OX Records team and in charge of music making & performance within the society. Along with the rest of the OX Records team, we organise all the music recording, writing, production & performance opportunities for our members, facilitate and encourage collaboration, and work to get more music-based benefits for all of you.

I am your first point of contact if you have any questions about music making+performing within the ORS, so get in touch if you have any questions, need tips, resources and help in your musical projects, or have a demo to send us at OX Records!

We've managed to do a lot so far despite the pandemic, including an online music festival, various workshops, a recent gig at the Corpus Ball, and a collaboration with SAE Oxford to provide members with free studio time. We also have our first label release in the works. **"**

# 6TH WEEK

Date & Time, TBC

## MUSIC PRODUCTION WORKSHOP - Turn your songs & ideas into recorded tracks

Learn music production techniques to allow you to record your ideas and make them into full tracks.



# 7TH WEEK

Saturday 27th Novemeber

## ORS BUSKING

Play live music in various spaces around Oxford.



# 8TH WEEK

Date & Time, TBC

## ORS OPEN MIC NIGHT

Hosted at a pub in Oxford, the ORS open mic night is a chance for musicians to play and showcase originals and covers.





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## STUDIO TIME

The ORS has a collaboration with SAE studios, Oxford, a music production & media school. With this collaboration, members have access to free studio time at the SAE institute with a producer/mixing engineer. SAE institute Oxford has great facilities, several professional studios that vary in size, and many instruments and music production tools.

SAE producers have ORS web platform accounts so they will comment on your posts if they think they can help. Additionally, you can get in contact with our Artist's Officer to organise studio time.



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## RECORD LABEL

The ORS has our own label, OX Records, which is open to members. We sign projects on a track or album basis so send us your demos! We can work with you closely to help you develop your project and get help with all areas of the music making process, from songwriting to production, to mixing & mastering, and in provide art & media services (album art, music videos, promo material), help with finding a distributor, and dedicated promotion.

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# OTHER SECTORS OF THE MUSIC INDUSTRY

Our aim is to have the same sort of community for the rest of music industry disciplines, but this is something we hope to develop in the future. We currently have several facebook groups dedicated to each remaining area, so **join those if you want to get involved in developing the other areas:**

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## // MUSIC ART+MEDIA

Album art, music videos, marketing, music journalism

Facebook group: [facebook.com/groups/oxfordmusicart](https://www.facebook.com/groups/oxfordmusicart)

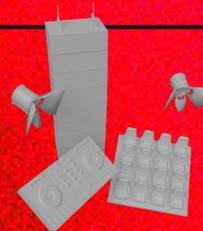


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## // MUSIC EVENTS

Events management, logistics, club nights, gigs

Facebook group: [facebook.com/groups/oxfordmusicevents](https://www.facebook.com/groups/oxfordmusicevents)



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## // MUSIC BUSINESS

Artist Management, A&R, Funding, Music strategy

Facebook group: [facebook.com/groups/oxfordmusicbusiness](https://www.facebook.com/groups/oxfordmusicbusiness)



# TERM CARD

## 5TH WEEK

// An introduction to the ORS and Oxford's student-led music industry

Friday 12th November, 4:00pm, Online

Information

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## 6TH WEEK

// Music & Mojitos

Either Monday or Tuesday, 7:00pm, Hank's Bar

Social

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// Music Production Workshop - turn your ideas into full recorded tracks

Date & Time TBC, In-person

Workshop

Music Making+Performing

## 7TH WEEK

// Fluorescent Adolescent - Oxford's biggest indie night returns

Tuesday 23rd November, 11:00pm, The Bullingdon

Club night

Music Events

// Music Pub Quiz

Date, Time & Pub TBC, In-person

Social

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// Busking in Oxford

Saturday 27th November, Oxford City Centre

Gig

Music Making+Performing

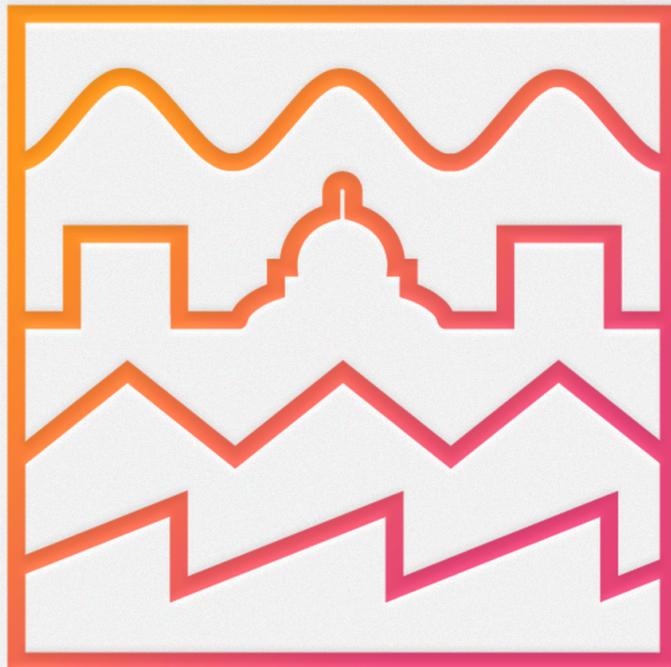
## 8TH WEEK

// ORS Open Mic Night

Date & Time TBC, In-person

Gig

Music Making+Performing



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## AN INTRODUCTION TO THE ORS AND OXFORD'S STUDENT-LED MUSIC INDUSTRY

**4:00pm, Friday 12th November, Zoom**

Come by on Zoom to find out more about the Oxford Recording Society, the different areas of the music industry we are trying to simulate in Oxford, and the types of events and opportunities we will organise. Come armed with any questions you have so we can answer them!



Social

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## MUSIC & MOJITOS

**7:00pm-12:00am, Monday 15th November, Hank's Bar**

Our first social will be held in the Hank's VIP room, featuring live music & cocktails. It's open to anyone interested in the music industry, so come along if you are interested in what the ORS is about, or interested in any area of the music industry, and meet Oxford musicians, members of the ORS committee, and other likeminded people.

# FLUORESCENT ADOLESCENT

## UNCHAINED

**23RD NOVEMBER**

**THE BULLINGDON**

**THE ORS HAS TEAMED UP WITH THE CITY'S MOST SARCASTIC INDIE BRAND TO BRING BACK OXFORD'S LEGENDARY INDIE NIGHT**

ARCTIC MONKEYS // FRANZ FERDINAND // KAISER CHIEFS // THE STROKES // KASABIAN // KLAXONS // THE BLACK KEYS // CAGE THE ELEPHANT // THE LIBERTINES // THE KOOKS // COURTEENERS // THE KILLERS // THE WOMBATS // OASIS // MGMT // TWO DOOR CINEMA CLUB // MUSE // MAXIMO PARK // THE VACCINES // JIMMY EAT WORLD // BLOSSOMS // RAZORLIGHT // & MORE

THE ORS

Club night

Music Events

FLUORESCENT ADOLESCENT  
- OXFORD'S BIGGEST INDIE  
NIGHT RETURNS

**11:00pm, Tuesday 23rd November, The Bullingdon**

After years of imprisonment in the nether-realm of Oxford nightlife, Fluorescent Adolescent BREAKS FREE from its shackles, striking fear into the hearts of other club nights and joy into the souls of indie fans THE WORLD OVER - Oxford's biggest, hottest and most sarcastic indie clubnight is finally back.



Social

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## MUSIC PUB QUIZ (WITH THE MUSIC DISCUSSION SOCIETY)

**Date & Time TBC, at a pub that is yet to be decided**

Pints and music trivia? Is there a better combination? Can you name any artists that Scooter Braun manages? Can you recognize a bunch of songs from the first 2 seconds? Do you know Taylor Swift's albums in order? Come test all your music industry knowledge in teams with friends at our first pub quiz, organised with Oxford's Music Discussion society (<https://www.oumds.net/>)