

MUSIC IN COMMON, INC.

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MISSION

The mission of music in common is to strengthen, empower, and connect communities through the universal language of music.

HUMANITIES EXPERTISE

Music In Common (MIC) is a non-profit organization that empowers diverse cultures and faiths to discover common ground through collaborative songwriting, multimedia and performance. Since 2005, Music In Common has directly served thousands of people in more than 250 communities across the globe, including Israelis and Palestinians, Christians, Jews and Muslims, as well as American-born, refugee and immigrant youth. In any community, Music In Common programs transform apprehension into trust, fear into acceptance, powerlessness into action. Working together face to face, participants expand understanding, build confidence, strengthen community, wage peace and - yes - change the world.

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HUMANITIES RESOURCES & PROJECTS

PROGRAMS & RESOURCES

- o JAMMS: JAMMS (Journalism as Music, Multimedia, and Songwriting) is an experiential learning program for diverse faiths, cultures, and ethnicities to discover common ground through dialogue and creative collaboration. Participants engage in facilitated discussion about culture, race, religion, and current events and their influence on self-perception and the perception of others. These conversations are the foundation for the group identifying and selecting a theme for their project. Together, they write and record a song and produce a video that addresses an issue important to them collectively. Each program concludes with a performance and presentation of their project.
- Amplify: Amplify is a riveting concert experience in which musicians perform songs written from around the world by youth in the Music in Common JAMMS program. JAMMS (Journalism as Music, Multimedia, and Songwriting) is an experiential learning and cultural immersion program that deepens understanding between diverse groups of people and communities in conflict through dialogue and creative collaboration. As a group, participants write and record a song and produce a video that addresses an issue important to them collectively.
- o Raise the MIC: Raise the MIC empowers people to be part of that change by hosting, organizing or performing an event to raise money and awareness for Music In Common. Music In Common will be there every step of the way to help with planning, producing and hosting a fun, informative and successful event. If the event is public, Music In Common will promote it and any participating performers across all their communications channels.
- Volunteer: Music in Common is fueled by the commitment and talents of many people around the world. Whether it be in day to day operations or at programs and events, there are many opportunities to become involved.
- <u>Perform</u>: Those interested in performing at a Music in Common event should check the MIC <u>calendar</u> for a list of upcoming events. Then, read the Artist Agreement available online before completing the <u>Request to</u> <u>Perform</u>.
- o FODfest: FODfest (Friends of Danny Festival) is Music In Common's flagship concert. FODfest honors the life of slain Wall St. Journal reporter, Daniel Pearl and features local musicians in a unique format that is part concert, part song swap, and part jam session. The unconventional format is a living demonstration of the power of music to connect people, generating a sense of community, hope, and healing and often serving as a call to action for individuals and communities to discover common ground.

EVENTS

^{*} Upcoming calendar events and program details listed online.