Musician Impact Network Society Student Club Resource Handbook

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Registered BC Non-profit, Non-governmental Organization

About Us

Musician Impact Network Society (MINS) is a registered BC non-profit, non-governmental organization based in Surrey, British Columbia, Canada. MINS has a mission to enhance the lives of vulnerable populations by providing music performance services and fostering a culture of community service by musicians. The organization is 100% volunteer-operated, and led by professional and non-professional musicians. We primarily provide free, quality music performance services to residential care facilities in the local health authority.

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Introduction to Chapters

What are MINS Chapters?

The MINS Chapter at your institution brings together individuals from different educational and professional backgrounds through a shared passion for music and community service. Usually, a chapter is a **registered student club** that operates under your institution's student society. MINS Chapters exist on campuses, creating opportunities to volunteer, network and connect with students at the institution as well as community musicians.

Who is involved in MINS Chapters?

Chapter members are volunteers who contribute to chapter activities in one or more ways that are unique to the individual's talents and interests.

Members are passionate about one or more of the following areas:

- Music Performance / Music Therapy
- Musical Talent Management
- Event planning / Event Coordinating
- Community service
- Senior health / Mental health

What is the Mission of MINS Chapters?

- (1) To enhance the lives of vulnerable populations by providing music performance services in times of need
- (2) To foster a culture of community service by musicians, in the form of talent donation

What do MINS Chapters do?

Essential Chapter Activities:

- Provide free, quality music performances to vulnerable populations.
 - ➤ Coordinate performances at residential care facilities in the local health authority.

Examples of Other chapter activities:

- Collaborate with the MINS head office, other non-profit organizations and charities
- Host events for students, volunteers, members and/ professionals
- Facilitate activities/exercises related to music
- Fundraise for the head office and/ your chapter
- Any other activities guided by the MINS mission

Starting a Chapter

- Step 1: Verify that a chapter does not already exist at your institution.
 - The online Chapter directory can be found **HERE** on the MINS website.
- Step 2: Define Leadership Roles
 - i.e. executive council members, faculty advisor(s), professional advisor(s), etc.
- Step 3: Enroll a New Chapter
 - > Contact the MINS head office, preferably by email.
- Step 4: Register the Chapter as a Student Club at your Institution
 - > Contact the student society at your institution for information

How to Start Chapter Activities

Once the executive council has registered the chapter at the institution, the council will gain access to various online resources, training and guidance to start chapter activities.

Guidance will be provided in all aspects including:

- Performance Planning
- Volunteer Musician Recruitment
- Creating SNS accounts & Online Promotion

Online Resources include:

- Email templates for various purposes (e.g. outreach)
- Logo & Posters
- Criminal Record Checks through MINS head office