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### References

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**David Stanley BEM** MMus BMus (Hons) PGCE NPQH CF FRSA

### Founder & CEO of The Music Man Project

Disability equality campaigner, teacher, composer, and CEO of The Music Man Project. Disability and Access Ambassador for Arts and Culture. As seen on TV, at the London Palladium and the Royal Albert Hall.



### Experience

International (2012-)  
UK (2023-)  
UK (2021-2025)  
UK (2021-2022)  
Essex (2000-2023)  
Essex (2001-2012)  
Essex (2010-2018)

**Founder & CEO** The Music Man Project UK (Charity 1188041)  
**Director** Music Man Trading Limited  
**Disability & Access Ambassador for Arts & Culture** UK Govt  
**SEND Advisor: National Plan for Music Education** UK Govt  
**Musical Director** Southend Mencap  
**Deputy Head Teacher** Eastwood Academy/Whitehall College  
**Composer in Residence** Pinpoint Create Productions

### Experience

2011

**National Professional Qualification for Headship (NPQH)**  
National College for Leadership of Schools

2000

**Master of Music (MMus)**  
King's College, London

1999

**Post Graduate Certificate of Education (PGCE)**  
Institute of Education, UCL

1995-1998

**Bachelor of Music (BMus Hons)**  
King's College, London/Royal Academy of Music

1992-1995

**Junior Exhibition Scholarship**  
Guildhall School of Music and Drama

1998-1995

Southend High School for Boys

### Honours

**King's Award for Voluntary Service** Leader of Music Man Project Ambassadors (2024)  
**Freeman of the City of Southend-on-Sea** (2023)  
**Medalist of the Order of the British Empire (BEM)** Queen's New Year Honours List (2021)  
**Honorary Member of the Rotary Club of Leigh-on-Sea** (2016)  
**Honorary Life Member of Southend Mencap** (2006)

### Fellowships

**Churchill Fellow** Winston Churchill Memorial Trust (2019)  
**Royal Society of Arts Fellow** (2019)  
**Paul Harris Fellow** Rotary International (2018)

### Awards

**Prime Minister's Points of Light Award** Rt Hon Rishi Sunak MP (2024)  
**Notable King's Alumni List** King's College London (2023)  
**Team of Pride Award** Pride of Essex Awards (2023)  
**Trailblazer of Disability Rights Top 45 List** Motability Magazine (2023)  
**Outstanding Community Champion Award** Anna Firth MP (2023)  
**Special Recognition Award** National Lottery/BBC Big Night of Musicals (2023)  
**Sir David Amess Memorial Award** Bengal's Pride Awards (2022)  
**Inspirational Leader Who Has Made a Difference** MAD33, Venquis (2021)  
**King's Arts and Culture Distinguished Alumni Award** King's College London (2021)  
**UK Community Hero Award** UK Community Network, COVID-19 Response (2021)  
**Danny Award for Best Version of a Cover Song** Daniel's Music Foundation, New York (2020)  
**Outstanding Contribution to the Community Award** Lions International (2019)  
**Most Inspired Creative Contribution Award** Kids Count Awards (2016)  
**Shortlisted, Charity Times Awards** Best Charity Collaboration (2023)  
**Finalist, Smiley Charity Film Awards** Longform Category (2025)  
**Finalist, Brand Film Awards** Best Charity Film (2022)  
**Finalist, Music & Drama Education Awards** Progressive & Inclusive Education (2022)  
**Finalist, Music & Drama Education Awards** Lifetime Achievement Award (2022)  
**Finalist, Music Teacher Awards for Excellence** Best SEND Resource (2015, 2017)

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## Publications/Articles/Journals

The Silent Rebellion: Becoming a Modern Leader by Chris Lewis Leadership Profile (2024)  
Living with Disability Magazine (Autumn Edition, 2022)  
ISM Music Journal (Winter Edition, 2022)  
National Plan for Music Education SEND Advisor, UK Government (2022)  
Music Education & Performance for People with Disabilities in USA Churchill Report (2019)  
Music is Magic: The Music Man Project Songbook Volume 1 (2017)  
The Story of The Music Man Project E-book Topped Special Needs Education Chart (2015)  
Egton Education Lesson Plans for Yrs. 1-9 Primary & Secondary School Textbooks (2007)  
Badger Music for Key Stage 3 Secondary School Music Textbooks (2005)

## Music Releases

Follow the Music Studio Album CD and Download (2023)  
Music is Magic ft. HM Band of Royal Marines Christmas Single (SONY) iTunes Top 10 (2022)  
Music is Magic for Solo Flugelhorn CD and Download (2018)  
Music is Magic at the London Palladium Studio Album CD and Download (2017)  
The Label Musical Studio Album and Download (2017)  
Music is Magic Charity Single Topped Amazon Broadway Chart (2017)

## National TV/Radio/Press

Canada TV Live interview for Nova Scotia International Tattoo (2024)  
ITV Good Morning Britain Live interview with Michael Ball (2024)  
BBC Radio 2 Live Interview with Michael Ball (2023)  
BBC1 National Lottery's Big Night of Musicals from Manchester Arena (2023)  
Sky/BBC/ITV, Radio and Press Music is Magic Christmas Single with the Royal Marines (2022)  
ITV's Britain's Got Talent Celebrity Panel Auditions, London Palladium (2022)  
BBC1 TV Interview to mark visit of HRH Prince Charles to Southend City Ceremony (2022)  
BBC Radio 4 Front Row Live Interview on Disability and Access Ambassador role (2022)  
ITV Good Morning Britain Live Carols on Christmas Eve with The Music Man Project (2021)  
BBC1 TV & Radio/ITV/Sky/GBN/CNN/LBC Tributes to the late Sir David Amess MP (2021)  
BBC1 TV Morning Live Music Man meets Mr Motivator (2021)  
National TV/Cinema Advert National Lottery 25<sup>th</sup> Birthday "3 is the Magic Number" (2019)  
BBC1 Look East TV Royal Albert Hall Concert Feature (2019)  
BBC1 Breakfast TV London Palladium Concert Feature (2017)  
Channel 4 TV 1950s School Music Master: *That'll Teach 'Em/That'll Test 'Em* (2004)

## Major Achievements

Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo Performer/Director - Music Man Project(2024)  
Music is Magic at the Royal Albert Hall ft. Royal Marines/Michael Ball Producer/Composer (2024)  
Performance at Speaker's House, UK Disability History Month Composer, Director (2023)  
UK Tour with Massed Bands of the Royal Marines Composer, Pianist/Group Leader (2023)  
Performance Workshop at 10 Downing Street, Westminster Composer, Director (2023)  
Mountbatten Festival of Music, Royal Albert Hall (for The King) Composer, Performer (2023)  
Music Man Project San Diego, California Tour Composer, Musical Director (2023)  
United Nations, NY Accessible Arts for Empowerment & Entrepreneurship Video (2022)  
Music is Magic at the Royal Albert Hall Producer/Composer (2019)  
Disability Awareness Workshops for Schools (17,000+ children) Consultant/Teacher (2017-)  
International Visits: Philippines (2020) Nepal (2019), India (2018), South Africa (2016)  
Guinness World Record Largest Triangle Ensemble (2017)  
Music is Magic at the London Palladium Producer/Director/Composer (2015, 2017)  
London Olympics Torch Relay 'Chelmsford Calling' with Lee Mead Composer (2012)

## Voluntary Work

King's Alumni Mentor King's College, London (2024-)  
Chair Southend Town2City Partnership/City Status Implementation (2022)  
Charity Trustee/Director Dolma Foundation (2021-)  
Presenter, The Music Man Project Radio Show Chelmsford Community Radio (2021)  
Disability Hate Crime Ambassador Essex Police/Southend Mencap (2013-2019)  
2020 Global Peace Ambassador for People with Disabilities Global Challenge (2020-2021)  
Special Schools Champion Southend Music Education Hub (2014-2019)  
Town Councillor Leigh Town Council (2011-2015)  
Patron Yardarm Folk Orchestra (2013-2019)  
Charity Fundraiser (£400,000+ since 2009)