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# MUSIC AND DANCE SHOWCASE

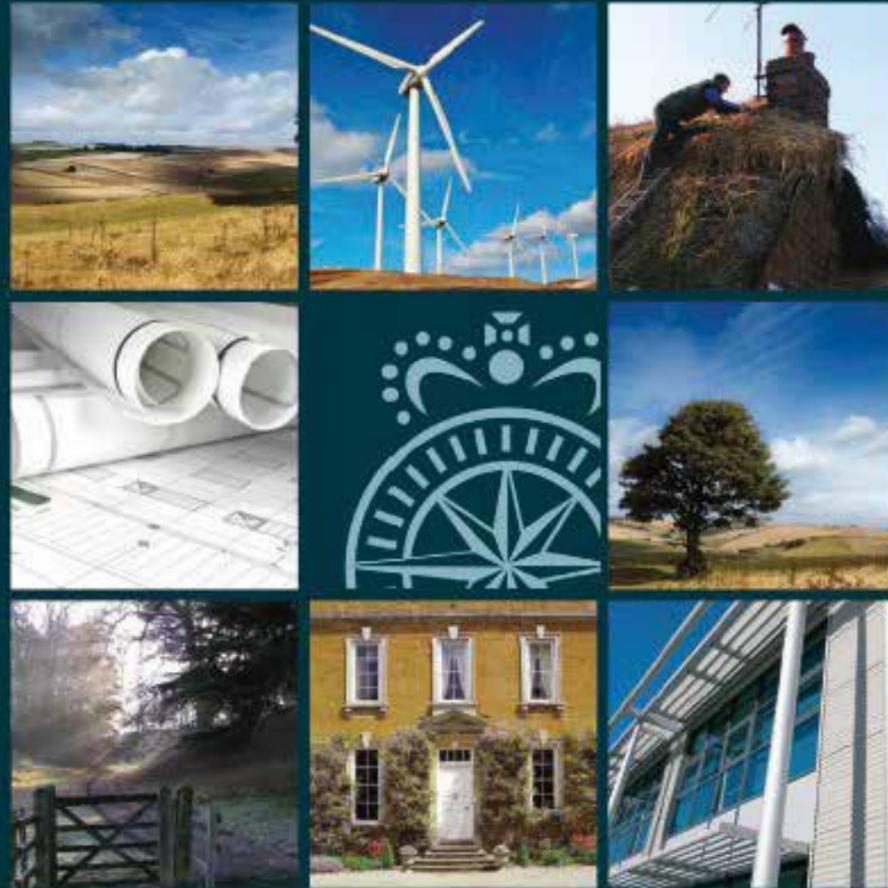


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**The Travers Foundation** is a Northamptonshire based Charity that helps 13 to 30 year-olds improve their skills in sports, the creative arts and the performing arts. We help local teams, groups and individuals in Rutland, Leicestershire and Northamptonshire to achieve their potential. Visit our website at <http://www.travers-foundation.org.uk>

We all acquire our basic skills at our school, club or local association. These institutions provide an excellent foundation for our sport and artistic grounding. However, as our ability improves and ambition grows we often need additional qualified coaching, mentoring or teaching to help improve our skills and performance, and this is where we can help.

If you know anyone suitable of our support please refer them to <http://www.travers-foundation.org.uk/apply-for-support.html>.

### Some examples of the type of support available

**Coaching Support** - we can assist with the cost of coaching and professional support for groups or individuals including sports, creative arts and the performing arts.

**Studio Support** - providing funding for recording studio time for aspiring musicians both groups and individuals.

**Exhibition Support** - we can provide funding support for an exhibition or show for aspiring Artists or Craftsmen.

**Competition Support** - we can assist with competition support (inc. expenses, entry fees etc.) for sporting teams or individuals.

### Recent beneficiaries include

**Christopher Southwell**, Oakham based autistic basketball player, who has just been selected to represent Great Britain at the Special Olympics 2015 in Los Angeles.

**Corby Core** – Funding for the spring term of workshops for Core Actors and Core Dancers culminating in a showcase in April 2015.

**Great Bowden Recital Trust** is a Market Harborough based Charity supporting local classical musicians and organising a comprehensive range of local events.

**Gretton Silver Band** was established in 1877 and is the oldest continuously operating traditional village brass band in the country.

**Joseph Watkins** – Team GB Junior Kick Boxer aiming to continue his national representation through to the European Championships in Spain in September 2015.

**Meg Lyons** – young comedic Singer & Dancer student with a unique opportunity for a Lee Strasberg (method acting) Masterclass in Los Angeles later this year.

**Ryan Evans**, amateur golfer from Wellingborough Golf Club, who rose to Australian Amateur Open Champion 2014, England's No1 & No 6 in the world amateur golf rankings. He turned professional in August 2014.

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## Martin McEvoy

Performance Director



Martin McEvoy is a professional Opera Singer, Vocal Coach and Broadcaster. He has performed with New Sadlers Wells Opera, The Royal Opera Covent Garden, Opera North, English National Opera & Scottish Opera.

He was a regular broadcaster on the BBC Radio 2 programme Friday Night is Music Night and Melodies for You. He is the Artistic Director of Crystal Clear Opera and London City Opera. In recognition of its high artistic standards CCO was awarded an Arts Council England grant to tour throughout the U.K. and LCO worked in collaboration with Columbia Artists, New York on five annual tours of the USA.

Martin is now in demand as a singing teacher and coach. He is also an adviser on vocal technique and presentation skills at board level to many national companies. He has summarized his life time experiences in opera and touring in his one man show An Aria in Your Area!

Martin is a Trustee Board Member of The Travers Foundation.



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## Core Dancers



Core Dancers is an advanced training programme for talented and committed young dancers from diverse backgrounds living in Corby, co-ordinated by The Core at Corby Cube.

Classes focus on developing technique, stamina, strength, performance and creative choreographic skills.

Each year of the programme culminates in the creation of an original contemporary dance production with a nationally known choreographer.

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# Vicki-Louise Sherwin



Vicki-Louise is a thirteen year old Classical Crossover soprano. She is a natural stage performer with a beautiful lyrical voice. She is very well known throughout the county and recently she was chosen to sing for the Mayor of Corby at his annual Charity Dinner.

Through her performances Vicki-Louise has also raised thousands of pounds for The Lakelands Hospice in Corby. Recently she appeared with the actor Brendon Coyle, better known as Mr. Bates in Downton Abbey, at a musical fund raising event. This one event raised over £2500.00 for the Hospice.

Vicki-Louise has some very exciting plans for 2015 including releasing a new CD with a well known name in the industry, however, it's all hush, hush and she can't say a word about it yet! It is her ambition to become a professional singer.



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~ ACT 1 ~  
*The Core Dancers*

~ ACT 2 ~

'NELLA FANTASIA'  
*Vicki-Louise Sherwin*

'STARS'  
*Charlie Botting*

'ALL I ASK OF YOU'  
*Vicki-Louise & Charlie*

~ ACT 3 ~

'NOEL COWARD MONOLOGUE'  
*Meg Lyons*

'I KNOW HIM SO WELL'  
*Meg Lyons & Beth Lyons*

'FEELING GOOD'  
*Meg Lyons*

~ FINALE ~

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## Charlie Botting



Charlie Botting is making a great name for himself at competitive music festivals throughout England. His vocal talent has made him winner in his class at Festivals including Oundle, Northampton, Leicester and Bedford. He was also selected for two years running to represent England in the under 15 class at the Llangollen Eisteddfod. One of his greatest achievements was to sing with the classical trio "The Priests" at Liverpool Cathedral in 2012. He was also regional finalist in "Diamond Kids" at the Alexandra Theatre Birmingham, chosen from over 1000 entries. He recently appeared with Vicki-Louise Sherwin and the actor Brendon Coyle in a fund raising event for Lakelands Hospice.

Charlie has a wide following throughout Northamptonshire and he was recently interviewed about his career as a singer on the Bernie Keith show for BBC Radio Northampton. Charlie has also sung with the Britain's Got Talent finalist Hollie Steel. Their version of the duet "All I ask of You" can be seen on Youtube.



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Thu 12 March 7.30pm



## Elvis In Vegas

Local lad and winner of the 'Elvis International Masters Championships 2014' **Billy Fisher** returns to The Core with all of the classic Elvis hits.

Fri 13 March 7.30pm



## The Tiger Who Came To Tea

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Fri 3 & Sat 4 April



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Thu 30 April 2.30pm



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## Katherine Ryan Glam Role Model

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Thu 7 May 8pm

## See A Film

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The Core  
at Corby Cube

# Meg Lyons



Meg Lyons is a young actress from Stanion near Corby.

Meg is now in her final year at The Performance Preparation Academy in Guildford. During her first year at The Academy Meg subsidised her tuition fees and accommodation costs by taking professional singing gigs and working in retail.

At the end of her first year she won the coveted prize of Best Actress from her year and was also awarded a scholarship which would enable her to continue her studies for a further two years. Meg is a very gifted singer/actress with a great flair for comedy and is determined and focused in her ambition to become a professional actress.

The Travers Foundation are delighted to have awarded her funding to enable her to study at The Lee Strasburge School of Method Acting in Los Angeles later this year.

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## Beth Lyons



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Beth was educated at Bishop Stopford School and is now in her second year at Tresham College on The Performing Arts Course. She plays piano and guitar and is also an accomplished dancer. Beth teaches dance at First Class Theatre a local performing arts academy.

Beth has also become well known locally through her very successful party business "Once Upon A Birthday". This company specialises in live appearances of various characters from Disney films or comic books at a children's parties.

At the end of her studies at Tresham, Beth will be auditioning for full time courses at the National Drama & Music Schools. Beth is very much looking forward to appearing with her sister, Meg, tonight.

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