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From all of us here at ASD HQ, we'd like to thank you for all your support, ideas and participation this year.

We know times are still tough out there for many of you, and we really appreciate the continued commitment you show for the ASD. We can't wait for more adventures together in 2023.

We wish you the warmest of festive celebrations and a very Happy New Year!

Melanie, Helen, Chris, Sam, Rosie, Lewis, Vicky and Peter.



ASD AGM 2023

1pm - 3pm 4th January

Online

We would like to give you notice of our Annual General Meeting.

We had intended to hold this in person but due to the planned train strikes the board have taken the decision to host this years AGM online.

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You can read the agenda here.



The ASD Board Wants You!

At the AGM in January, we're expanding the number of board members, to further support the work we want to do next year.

We're looking for energetic new Board members, who can give time to work with us to push forward initiatives including:

Representation & Inclusion and Mental Health working groups

Seminar & workshops programme

Development of ASD's regional hubs

Social media campaigns

Professional members from all backgrounds & all levels of experience are welcomed

Nominations are open and will close on 28th December 2022. To apply, fill out this jotform.

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on admin@associationofsounddesigners.com.

Help us shape the ASD into the association you want it to be.



New Year London Social

12th January
The Cut Bar Upstairs

@ The Young Vic Theatre London SE1 8LZ
Let us know if you are coming here.



New Year Glasgow Social

8th January
6pm Onwards
Molly Malones
224 Hope St Glasgow G2 2UG
Let us know if you are coming here.

Can't Make the Socials? why not join us on Blue Monday for our

ASD New Year Online Quiz

Monday 16th January 7pm-8pm

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For anyone that missed it our PLI policy renewed on the 1st of December 2022 -31st August 2023.

It does not renew automatically, to opt in purchase your PLI here.

Upcoming Seminars in 2023



Radio Mic Workshop with Clare Hibberd

Everything you need to know about radio mics and how to fit them. In person, Chandler Studio Theatre, Royal Conservatoire of Scotland

100 Renfrew St, Glasgow Sunday 8th January 3pm-5pm GMT Followed by New Year Glasgow Social

Register here.

Immersive Sound Panel Discussion

Wednesday 25th January 10am-11.30pm GMT Presented on Zoom

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How to set up your desk and operate a musical using DiGiCo SD7t

with West End Number Ones Roisine Mamdani & Michael Poon

Register In person or Online
Monday 6th February 2023
11am-2pm GMT
Autograph Sound
1-2 Spring PI, London NW5 3BA

From our Friends



Toolkit: Intro to Intersectional Caring

Toolkit: Intro to Intersectional Caring offers an introduction to some of the supportive ways you can manage a team with members who have caring responsibilities and face other challenges due to disability, neurodivergence, ethnicity, and/or their socioeconomic background. Many of the suggestions are beneficial to all workers and participants. It's important for organisations to consider the wider benefits of inclusivity. Read more here.



Submissions are now open for the Sound of the Year Awards 2022, which returns for

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From the everyday sounds that encapsulate the events of the past twelve months, to the year's most innovative and creative sound technology, SOTYA celebrates sound in all its forms and from all corners of the world. Categories include Best Natural Sound, Disappearing Sound: A Sound Worth Saving, Best Imagined Sound, Most Unpleasant Sound.

An awards ceremony will be held at The British Library in Spring 2023. Find out more here.



The latest episode of Conversations with Sound Designers can be listened to here on spotify and all major streaming platforms!



The Society of British Stage Designers hello stranger national exhibition will take the form of 13 regional events around the UK in March 2023. These events are designed and curated by local designers based in the regions.

hello stranger emphasises responsivity and openness in the context of a changing world. As we emerge from the pandemic and face up to climate crisis, legacies of inequality, global conflict and the increasing prevalence of digital technologies in our lives, we face a changed landscape for performance design and scenography. How are performance designers responding and adapting to the key challenges of our times? How is our artform evolving in response to a changing world? What voices have been missing from the conversation? Find out more about hello stranger here.

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ABTT have released dates for their new mental health first aid training course, 4 half days online find out more here.



Applications opening soon for Jermyn Street Theatre's year long attachment programme for theatremakers.

The Creative Associates programme seeks to transform the careers of a group of early-career, theatre freelancers from backgrounds currently underrepresented in the industry through a series of paid development opportunities. The programme will work with ten emerging artists from writing, directing, design or producing backgrounds to shape and strengthen their artistic voice and launch them into the industry.

Applications open early January 2023

Please keep an eye on Jermyn Street Theatre's social media and website for more details on how to apply:

www.jermynstreettheatre.co.uk/creative-associates

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#WeMakeEvents Zoom call will resume on Friday 20 January at 10am (GMT). We will then run a Zoom call on the last Friday of the month (except for July).

Everyone is welcome to join. It's a great way to hear from those on the frontline of the campaign, as well as influential guest speakers.

Save the Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87007748113?
pwd=VWg0bm5nN2U2MUVLNnlwWUJSa0xXdz09

Christmas and the New Year can be a lonely time of year with many challenges. If you need support, we recommend these services and charities:

Backup

Music Support

CALM

Samaritans

Mind

Rethink

Together-UK

Anxiety UK

Mental Health Foundation

Alcohol Change UK

Best of the Edenred

Getting ready for Christmas?

Make sure to access your Edenred Benefits to get the best out of your ASD membership.

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10% off Apple
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8% off H&M
6% Reebok
6.5% off Nintendo eShop
4% Off Argos

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Interesting Listening / Reading

Turn on the radio, open Spotify, or walk into any store, and familiar yuletide tunes will greet you. These timeless compositions have a magic formula sparking memories and inspiring nostalgia for home—but do you know how these festive songs came to be? Get to know the origin of Christmas Music with pond5 here.



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