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Vocal Sounds — Monton's Choir of Real Voices Launches Debut Concert This October

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When the choir you dream of doesn't exist, you build it. Vocal Sounds was founded earlier this year by local singers who wanted “real voices, real piano, and a welcoming space” — and it's bringing its first full concert to Monton Unitarian Church Hall on **Saturday 11 October, 7:00 PM.**

What to expect: A programme spanning pop, classical, showtunes, and traditional favourites, including *Ave Verum*, *Wind Beneath My Wings*, *Let the River Run*, *Thank You for the Music*, and more.

Tickets: £7 in advance (no booking fees), £10/£8 conc. on the door, under-16s free — available now at vocalsounds.co.uk/tickets.html.

Vocal Sounds is a **choir with a family-like atmosphere and a safe space to sing and connect**. Rehearsals are fun, energising, and supported by live piano. The group has already taken part in the sold-out Swinton Beavers Air Ambulance Fundraiser and will appear at the **Monton Unitarian 150 Year Celebration on 20 September**.

The choir is led by **Siân Davies**, award-winning mezzo-soprano, whose recent credits include the **2025 Savonlinna Opera Festival** (choruses in *Macbeth*, *Turandot*, *Boris Godunov*) alongside appearances at the BBC Proms, Buxton Festival Opera, Royal Opera House, English National Opera, and Opera North. Accompanist **Helen Whitehead** is a Guildhall-trained pianist with extensive experience in music education and performance.

Autumn Tasters: Vocal Sounds is hosting three free taster rehearsals this autumn — **25 September, 16 October, and 13 November** — all at Monton Unitarian Church Hall (8–10 PM). These sessions are a chance to experience the choir first-hand. The group welcomes all voices, with a particular need for **tenors and basses**.

**What members say:**

Charlotte: *"I joined because I missed singing and wanted to do it in a fun environment. Since starting, I feel like I've got a little piece of myself back. My favourite thing is the variety of songs — especially ones that are more interesting for altos — and how supportive it is. No one is made to feel silly or wrong, just encouraged, and mistakes are corrected in a fun way. Everyone has been so nice and encouraging."*

Biba: *"I joined because I like to sing with other people. My first rehearsal was fun and friendly — challenging, but no one took themselves too seriously, and everyone was encouraging. You'll get a warm welcome, a great mix of songs, and the chance to sing with people of all ages and backgrounds. It's fun."*

About Vocal Sounds

Founded in 2025, Vocal Sounds is a locally grown choir based in Monton, Greater Manchester. Built on the belief that every voice matters, it offers a safe, family-like environment for adults to enjoy singing together. The choir rehearses weekly with live piano, learning a repertoire that blends pop, classical, showtunes and traditional choral music.



What's On: Vocal Sounds Debut Concert

Vocal Sounds – Debut Concert

Saturday 11 October 2025, 7:00 PM

Monton Unitarian Church Hall, Monton Green, Eccles M30 8AP

Monton's newest choir, **Vocal Sounds**, will take to the stage for its very first concert this autumn. Founded in early 2025, the group has already performed at local events including the sold-out Swinton Beavers Air Ambulance Fundraiser, and will also appear at Monton Unitarian's 150 Year Celebration on 20 September.

The debut programme offers something for everyone — from **choral gems** like *Ave Verum* and *Cross the Wide Missouri*, to pop favourites such as *Wind Beneath My Wings* and *Perfect*, alongside showtunes including *Cabaret*, *This Is the Moment* and more.

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Vocal Sounds is a local choir with a family-like atmosphere, led by mezzo-soprano **Siân Davies** and pianist **Helen Whitehead**. The choir welcomes new singers, especially **tenors and basses**, with free taster rehearsals on **25 September, 16 October and 13 November**.